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1 AN ACT Relating to disseminating information on methods of
2 attaining teacher certification; and reenacting and amending RCW
3 28A.410.010.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.410.010 and 1992 c 159 s 3 and 1992 c 60 s 2 are
6 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

7 (1)(a) The state board of education shall establish, publish, and
8 enforce rules (~~and regulations~~) determining eligibility for and
9 certification of personnel employed in the common schools of this
10 state, including certification for emergency or temporary, substitute
11 or provisional duty and under such certificates or permits as the board
12 shall deem proper or as otherwise prescribed by law. The rules shall
13 require that the initial application for certification shall require a
14 record check of the applicant through the Washington state patrol
15 criminal identification system and through the federal bureau of
16 investigation at the applicant's expense. The record check shall
17 include a fingerprint check using a complete Washington state criminal
18 identification fingerprint card. The superintendent of public

1 instruction may waive the record check for any applicant who has had a
2 record check within the two years before application.

3 (b) In establishing rules pertaining to the qualifications of
4 instructors of American sign language the state board shall consult
5 with the national association of the deaf, "sign instructors guidance
6 network" (s.i.g.n.), and the Washington state association of the deaf
7 for evaluation and certification of sign language instructors.

8 (2) The superintendent of public instruction shall act as the
9 administrator of any such rules (~~(and regulations)~~) and have the power
10 to issue any certificates or permits and revoke the same in accordance
11 with board rules (~~(and regulations)~~).

12 (3) The superintendent of public instruction shall develop and
13 maintain an internet web site that explains the various methods to
14 attain teacher certification in Washington state. The web site shall
15 include, but not be limited to, the entry requirements for each method,
16 and a proposed timeline for completing each method.

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