
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6314

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By Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Kline, Fairley, Franklin, Kohl-Welles, McDermott, Weinstein, and Rasmussen)

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1 AN ACT Relating to providing funds to establish and sustain public
2 school arts programs; amending RCW 67.70.240; adding new sections to
3 chapter 28A.150 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.79 RCW; and
4 creating a new section.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the arts can
7 teach much about every culture through its literature, visual arts,
8 music, dance, and drama. Throughout history people have recorded their
9 struggles, their dreams, and their lives in works of art. Many people
10 recognize that to be truly well-educated, one must not only learn to
11 appreciate the arts but must have rich opportunities to actively
12 participate in creative work. The ability to think and work creatively
13 are increasingly important skills for the twenty-first century
14 workforce, and students learn these skills through meaningful work in
15 the arts.

16 The legislature further finds that the arts can bring every
17 academic subject to life and that the integration of the arts with the
18 fuller academic curriculum, including reading, mathematics, science,
19 and social studies, can enrich student experiences, enhance student

1 engagement, extend student learning, and deepen student understanding
2 of all the academic content areas. The legislature intends to provide
3 resources to expand and improve arts instruction and arts integration
4 in our schools and transform the teaching, learning, and school
5 environments in Washington through the use of the arts.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.150
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) Within the amounts specifically appropriated for this purpose,
9 beginning with the 2012-13 school year and each school year thereafter,
10 the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall distribute
11 a per student allocation to school districts based on the number of
12 full-time equivalent students. This funding is intended to allow
13 school districts to institute and sustain arts instruction, arts-
14 infused curriculum, and related arts programs and projects in public
15 schools, which could include professional development for classroom
16 teachers, specialist teachers, and principals in order to continue the
17 curriculum, programs, and projects in the future. Curriculum,
18 programs, and projects funded by school districts with their per
19 student allocation provided in this section shall be developed in
20 alignment with the state essential academic learning requirements in
21 the arts, and shall assist students to make connections within and
22 across the arts to other disciplines, to learn about other cultures,
23 and to strengthen communities through the use of the arts.

24 (2) To the maximum extent possible, the office of the
25 superintendent of public instruction and school districts shall
26 acknowledge the Washington state lottery as the source of funding for
27 the arts programs funded from the per student allocations. This
28 acknowledgement may include public meetings, brochures, advertising,
29 and press releases.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.79 RCW
31 to read as follows:

32 The school arts programs account is created in the state treasury.
33 Receipts from the state lottery, as provided in RCW 67.70.240(6) must
34 be deposited in the account. Expenditures from the account may be used
35 only for providing per student distributions to school districts in

1 accordance with section 2 of this act. Moneys in the account may be
2 spent only after appropriation.

3 **Sec. 4.** RCW 67.70.240 and 2001 c 3 s 4 are each amended to read as
4 follows:

5 The moneys in the state lottery account shall be used only:

6 (1) For the payment of prizes to the holders of winning lottery
7 tickets or shares;

8 (2) For purposes of making deposits into the reserve account
9 created by RCW 67.70.250 and into the lottery administrative account
10 created by RCW 67.70.260;

11 (3) For purposes of making deposits into the education construction
12 fund and student achievement fund created in RCW 43.135.045. For the
13 transition period from July 1, 2001, until and including June 30, 2002,
14 fifty percent of the moneys not otherwise obligated under this section
15 shall be placed in the student achievement fund and fifty percent of
16 these moneys shall be placed in the education construction fund. On
17 and after July 1, 2002, until June 30, 2004, seventy-five percent of
18 these moneys shall be placed in the student achievement fund and
19 twenty-five percent shall be placed in the education construction fund.
20 On and after July 1, 2004, all deposits not otherwise obligated under
21 this section shall be placed in the education construction fund.
22 Moneys in the state lottery account deposited in the education
23 construction fund and the student achievement fund are included in
24 "general state revenues" under RCW 39.42.070;

25 (4) For distribution to a county for the purpose of paying the
26 principal and interest payments on bonds issued by the county to
27 construct a baseball stadium, as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including
28 reasonably necessary preconstruction costs. Three million dollars
29 shall be distributed under this subsection during calendar year 1996.
30 During subsequent years, such distributions shall equal the prior
31 year's distributions increased by four percent. Distributions under
32 this subsection shall cease when the bonds issued for the construction
33 of the baseball stadium are retired, but not more than twenty years
34 after the tax under RCW 82.14.0485 is first imposed;

35 (5) For distribution to the stadium and exhibition center account,
36 created in RCW 43.99N.060. Subject to the conditions of RCW
37 43.99N.070, six million dollars shall be distributed under this

1 subsection during the calendar year 1998. During subsequent years,
2 such distribution shall equal the prior year's distributions increased
3 by four percent. No distribution may be made under this subsection
4 after December 31, 1999, unless the conditions for issuance of the
5 bonds under RCW 43.99N.020(2) are met. Distributions under this
6 subsection shall cease when the bonds are retired, but not later than
7 December 31, 2020;

8 (6) For distribution to the school arts programs account as created
9 in section 3 of this act. The distributions in subsection (4) of this
10 section, upon the earlier of retirement of the baseball stadium bonds
11 or twenty years after the tax under RCW 82.14.0485 is first imposed,
12 shall be distributed for the purposes of and subject to the conditions
13 of sections 2 and 3 of this act;

14 (7) For the purchase and promotion of lottery games and game-
15 related services; and

16 ~~((+7))~~ (8) For the payment of agent compensation.

17 The office of financial management shall require the allotment of
18 all expenses paid from the account and shall report to the ways and
19 means committees of the senate and house of representatives any changes
20 in the allotments.

21 NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 28A.150
22 RCW to read as follows:

23 By December 1, 2012, the office of the superintendent of public
24 instruction shall submit a report to the appropriate policy and fiscal
25 committees of the legislature. The report shall include information on
26 the amounts of per student allocations from section 2 of this act to
27 school districts for art programs, summary information on how school
28 districts utilized the per student allocations, and the impact of the
29 programs and activities resulting from these allocations on student
30 outcomes.

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