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CERTIFICATE

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5197** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

HUNTER G. GOODMAN

Secretary

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By Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Dammeier, Rolfes, Litzow, Billig, Mullet, Becker, Hill, Hargrove, Braun, Honeyford, Roach, and Hewitt)

READ FIRST TIME 02/08/13.

1 AN ACT Relating to safe school buildings; amending RCW 28A.335.010;
2 adding a new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW; adding a new section to
3 chapter 28A.300 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.320
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 School districts must work collaboratively with local law
8 enforcement agencies and school security personnel to develop an
9 emergency response system using evolving technology to expedite the
10 response and arrival of law enforcement in the event of a threat or
11 emergency at a school. School districts are encouraged to use the
12 model policies developed by the school safety advisory committee of the
13 office of the superintendent of public instruction as a resource. Each
14 school district must submit a progress report on its implementation of
15 an emergency response system as required under this section to the
16 office of the superintendent of public instruction by December 1, 2014.

17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.335.010 and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28A.58.102 are each
18 amended to read as follows:

1 (1) Every board of directors, unless otherwise specifically
2 provided by law, shall:

3 (~~(1)~~) (a) Cause all school buildings to be properly heated,
4 lighted, and ventilated and maintained in a clean and sanitary
5 condition; and

6 (~~(2)~~) (b) Maintain and repair, furnish, and insure such school
7 buildings.

8 (2) Every board of directors, unless otherwise specifically
9 provided by law, shall also:

10 (a) Consider installing a perimeter security control mechanism or
11 system on all school campuses, as appropriate to the design of the
12 campus; and

13 (b) For new school construction projects or remodeling projects of
14 more than forty percent of an existing school building that are
15 initiated after the effective date of this section, consider school
16 building plans and designs that promote:

17 (i) An optimal level of security for the specific school site that
18 incorporates evolving technology and best practices to protect students
19 and staff in the event of a threat during school hours;

20 (ii) Direct control and observation of the public entering school
21 grounds; and

22 (iii) The public entering school grounds through as few entrances
23 as possible, such as through the main entrance of a school's
24 administrative offices.

25 (3) The purpose of subsection (2) of this section is to promote
26 generally the safety of all students and staff in Washington public
27 schools. Nothing in subsection (2) of this section creates any civil
28 liability for school districts, or creates a new cause of action or new
29 theory of negligence against a school district board of directors, a
30 school district, or the state.

31 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) The school safety advisory committee
32 convened by the office of the superintendent of public instruction
33 shall develop model policies and strategies for school districts and
34 local law enforcement agencies to design emergency response systems
35 using evolving technology to expedite the response and arrival of law
36 enforcement in the event of a threat or emergency at a school. The

1 committee shall develop policies and strategies appropriate for a range
2 of different threat or emergency scenarios.

3 (2)(a) The school safety advisory committee shall also develop
4 recommendations related to incorporating school safety features in the
5 planning and design of new or remodeled school facilities. The
6 recommendations shall address, at a minimum:

7 (i) Options to address public access to school buildings and
8 grounds;

9 (ii) Interior design features to address public access to
10 classrooms; and

11 (iii) Options and best practices to protect students and staff in
12 the event of a threat during school hours.

13 (b) The recommendations shall consider and provide flexibility
14 regarding varying campus designs, geographic locations, site-specific
15 needs, grade-level configurations, cost-effectiveness, and coordination
16 with local law enforcement in a manner suitable to the locale.

17 (3) The school safety advisory committee shall submit a report to
18 the education committees of the legislature by December 1, 2013, and
19 post the report, model policies and recommendations developed under
20 this section, and other resource information to assist school districts
21 on the school safety center web site.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300
23 RCW to read as follows:

24 Subject to funds appropriated specifically for this purpose, the
25 office of the superintendent of public instruction shall allocate
26 grants to school districts on a competitive basis for the purpose of
27 implementing emergency response systems using evolving technology to
28 expedite the response and arrival of law enforcement in the event of a
29 threat or emergency at a school.

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