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SENATE BILL 6429

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By Senators McAuliffe and Litzow

Read first time 01/20/16. Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

1 AN ACT Relating to school day start times; adding a new section  
2 to chapter 28A.320 RCW; and creating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature acknowledges that students  
5 who do not get enough sleep often suffer physical and mental health  
6 problems and a decline in academic performance. The legislature  
7 intends to help increase academic performance, improve graduation  
8 rates, and reduce health problems by pushing back the time public  
9 schools start by one hour.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.320  
11 RCW to read as follows:

12 Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, all public schools shall  
13 start one hour later than the time they started in the 2015-16 school  
14 year.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act may be known and cited as the  
16 sandman act.

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