
SENATE BILL 5404

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By Senators Rivers, Lillas, Zeiger, Wellman, Keiser, Fain, Kuderer, and Carlyle

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1 AN ACT Relating to sunscreen in schools; adding a new section to
2 chapter 28A.210 RCW; creating new sections; and declaring an
3 emergency.

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.210
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) Any person, including students, parents, and school
8 personnel, may possess and apply topical sunscreen products to help
9 prevent sunburn while on school property or at a school-related event
10 or activity. A sunscreen product may be possessed and applied under
11 this section without the prescription or note of a licensed health
12 care professional if the product is regulated by the United States
13 food and drug administration for over-the-counter use.

14 (2) Schools are encouraged to educate students about sun safety
15 guidelines.

16 (3) Nothing in this section requires school personnel to assist
17 students in applying sunscreen.

18 (4) As used in this section, "school" means a public school,
19 school district, educational service district, or private school with
20 any of grades kindergarten through twelve.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act does not create any civil
2 liability on the part of the state or any state agency, officer,
3 employee, agent, political subdivision, or school district.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act may be known and cited as the
5 student sun safety education act.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
7 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
8 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
9 effect immediately.

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