
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2731

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By House Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Irwin, Doglio, Davis, Pollet, and Leavitt)

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1 AN ACT Relating to reporting of student head injury information
2 sustained during athletics and other activities; adding a new section
3 to chapter 28A.600 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 43.70
4 RCW.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.600
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) Beginning with the 2020-21 school year, public schools must
9 annually report information about each diagnosed concussion sustained
10 by a student during athletic and other activities using a procedure
11 developed by the department of health under section 2 of this act.

12 (2) At a minimum, the following information must be reported:
13 Student's grade and gender, whether the student had a previous
14 concussion, the event date and location of the diagnosed concussion,
15 the type and level of activity that the student was participating in
16 at the time of the event, whether it was a practice or competition,
17 any known cause of the event, when during the activity the injury
18 occurred, whether protective equipment was worn on the injured
19 student's head at the time of the event, the type of surface on which
20 the event occurred, who initially examined the student at the time of
21 the event, whether the student was removed from the activity at the

1 time of the event, and follow-up information related to whether the
2 student was given a written authorization to return to the activity
3 by the end of the season in which the event occurred and the amount
4 of time before the student was authorized to return to the learning
5 environment.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) The department must develop a procedure to, beginning in the
9 2020-21 school year, collect the information related to the diagnosed
10 concussions of students as described in section 1 of this act.

11 (2) Beginning October 1, 2021, by October 1st annually
12 thereafter, and in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, the department
13 shall report a summary of the diagnosed concussion information
14 received in the prior school year to the appropriate committees of
15 the legislature and the office of the superintendent of public
16 instruction. The report must include rates, patterns, trends, and
17 other relevant information.

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