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1 AN ACT Relating to school surplus technology; reenacting and
2 amending RCW 28A.335.180; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.335
3 RCW.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.335.180 and 1997 c 264 s 1 and 1997 c 104 s 1
6 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

7 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, school districts,
8 educational service districts, or any other state or local
9 governmental agency concerned with education, when declaring texts
10 and other books, equipment, materials or relocatable facilities as
11 surplus, shall, prior to other disposal thereof, serve notice in
12 writing in a newspaper of general circulation in the school district
13 and to any public school district or private school in Washington
14 state annually requesting such a notice, that the same is available
15 for sale, rent, or lease to public school districts or approved
16 private schools, at depreciated cost or fair market value, whichever
17 is greater: PROVIDED, That students wishing to purchase texts
18 pursuant to RCW 28A.320.230(2) and computer equipment pursuant to
19 subsection (2) of this section shall have priority as to such texts.
20 The notice requirement in this section does not apply to the sale or
21 transfer of assistive devices under RCW 28A.335.205 or chapter 72.40

1 RCW. Such districts or agencies shall not otherwise sell, rent or
2 lease such surplus property to any person, firm, organization, or
3 nongovernmental agency for at least thirty days following publication
4 of notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the school
5 district.

6 (2)(a) Priority to purchase surplus computer equipment shall be
7 given to students that:

8 (i) Are considered low-income; and

9 (ii) Have been accepted to attend an institution of higher
10 education upon graduation.

11 (b) Students given priority under this subsection shall have
12 priority with respect to the purchase of one item of surplus
13 equipment for a nominal fee.

14 (3) School districts shall provide notice to students of surplus
15 computer equipment prior to disposal of the equipment, in addition to
16 the requirements under subsection (1) of this section. Districts may
17 satisfy this provision by providing such information on the official
18 web site of the school district.

19 (4) In lieu of complying with subsection (1) of this section,
20 school districts and educational service districts may elect to grant
21 surplus personal property to a federal, state, or local governmental
22 entity, or to indigent persons, at no cost on the condition the
23 property be used for preschool through twelfth grade educational
24 purposes, or elect to loan surplus personal property to a
25 nonreligious, nonsectarian private entity on the condition the
26 property be used for the preschool through twelfth grade education of
27 members of the public on a nondiscriminatory basis.

28 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28A.335
29 RCW to read as follows:

30 (1) The department of enterprise services, in collaboration with
31 the office of the superintendent of public instruction, shall
32 establish an online inventory of school districts' surplus equipment
33 and materials. The inventory shall allow for school districts to
34 publish needed equipment and materials and facilitate communication
35 between districts for the purpose of acquiring surplus property. The
36 office of the superintendent of public instruction shall inform
37 school districts of the inventory upon completion.

1 (2) The publication of surplus equipment and materials on the
2 inventory shall not affect notice requirements under RCW
3 28A.335.180(1) or other requirements in this chapter.

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