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SENATE BILL 5453

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By Senators Kastama and Franklin

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the relocation of a child in a domestic 2 relations matter; and amending RCW 26.09.410.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 26.09.410 and 2000 c 21 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- The definitions in this section apply throughout RCW 26.09.405 through 26.09.560 and 26.09.260 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
 - (1) "Court order" means a temporary or permanent parenting plan, custody order, visitation order, or other order governing the residence of a child under this title.
- 12 (2) "Principal residence" means any residence where the child
 13 spends a significant number of school nights, including those
- 14 residences shared equally by the child. "Principal residence" does not
- 15 <u>include residences where the child may spend every other weekend,</u>
- 16 holidays, or summer vacations.

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17 <u>(3)</u> "Relocate" means a change in principal residence either

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1 permanently or for a protracted period of time.

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