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By Representative Dammeier

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1 On page 9, after line 23, insert the following:

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3 "Sec. 105. RCW 28A.150.220 and 2009 c 548 s 104 are each amended
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) In order for students to have the opportunity to develop the
6 basic education knowledge and skills under RCW 28A.150.210, school
7 districts must provide instruction of sufficient quantity and quality
8 and give students the opportunity to complete graduation requirements
9 that are intended to prepare them for postsecondary education, gainful
10 employment, and citizenship. The program established under this
11 section shall be the minimum instructional program of basic education
12 offered by school districts.

13 (2) Each school district shall make available to students the
14 following minimum instructional offering each school year:

15 (a) For students enrolled in grades one through twelve, at least a
16 district-wide annual average of one thousand hours, which shall be
17 increased to at least one thousand eighty instructional hours for
18 students enrolled in each of grades seven through twelve and at least
19 one thousand instructional hours for students in each of grades one
20 through six according to an implementation schedule adopted by the
21 legislature but not before the 2014-15 school year; and

22 (b) For students enrolled in kindergarten, at least four hundred
23 fifty instructional hours, which shall be increased to at least one
24 thousand instructional hours according to the implementation schedule
25 under RCW 28A.150.315.

26 (3) The instructional program of basic education provided by each
27 school district shall include:

1 (a) Instruction in the essential academic learning requirements
2 under RCW 28A.655.070;

3 (b) Instruction that provides students the opportunity to complete
4 twenty-four credits for high school graduation, subject to a phased-in
5 implementation of the twenty-four credits as established by the
6 legislature. Course distribution requirements may be established by
7 the state board of education under RCW 28A.230.090;

8 (c) If the essential academic learning requirements include a
9 requirement of languages other than English, the requirement may be
10 met by students receiving instruction in one or more American Indian
11 languages;

12 (d) Supplemental instruction and services for underachieving
13 students through the learning assistance program under RCW 28A.165.005
14 through 28A.165.065;

15 (e) Supplemental instruction and services for eligible and
16 enrolled students whose primary language is other than English through
17 the transitional bilingual instruction program under RCW 28A.180.010
18 through 28A.180.080;

19 (f) The opportunity for an appropriate education at public expense
20 as defined by RCW 28A.155.020 for all eligible students with
21 disabilities as defined in RCW 28A.155.020; and

22 (g) Programs for highly capable students under RCW 28A.185.010
23 through 28A.185.030.

24 (4) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to
25 require individual students to attend school for any particular number
26 of hours per day or to take any particular courses.

27 (5) Each school district's kindergarten through twelfth grade
28 basic educational program shall be accessible to all students who are
29 five years of age, as provided by RCW 28A.225.160, and less than
30 twenty-one years of age and shall consist of a minimum of one hundred
31 eighty school days per school year in such grades as are conducted by
32 a school district, and one hundred eighty half-days of instruction, or
33 equivalent, in kindergarten, to be increased to a minimum of one
34 hundred eighty school days per school year according to the

1 implementation schedule under RCW 28A.150.315. However, effective May
2 1, 1979, a school district may schedule the last five school days of
3 the one hundred and eighty day school year for noninstructional
4 purposes in the case of students who are graduating from high school,
5 including, but not limited to, the observance of graduation and early
6 release from school upon the request of a student, and all such
7 students may be claimed as a full-time equivalent student to the
8 extent they could otherwise have been so claimed for the purposes of
9 RCW 28A.150.250 and 28A.150.260.

10 (6) Nothing in this section precludes a school district from
11 enriching the instructional program of basic education, such as
12 offering additional instruction or providing additional services,
13 programs, or activities that the school district determines to be
14 appropriate for the education of the school district's students.

15 (7) The state board of education shall adopt rules to implement
16 and ensure compliance with the program requirements imposed by this
17 section, RCW 28A.150.250 and 28A.150.260, and such related
18 supplemental program approval requirements as the state board may
19 establish."

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21 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
22 internal references accordingly. Correct the title.

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24 On page 31, line 11, after "104," insert "105,"

EFFECT: Provides that the increase in minimum instructional hours under Basic Education from a district average of 1,000 hours across all grades to 1,000 hours in grades one through six and 1,080 hours in grades seven through twelve, continues to occur according to an implementation schedule adopted by the Legislature, but does not occur before the 2014-15 school year.

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