

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1734

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Early Learning & K-12 Education, March 21, 2017

Title: An act relating to reimbursement for substitute teachers participating in activities of the Washington state professional educator standards board to carry out its powers and duties.

Brief Description: Authorizing reimbursement for substitute teachers participating in activities of the Washington state professional educator standards board to carry out its powers and duties.

Sponsors: Representatives Lovick, Hargrove, Stonier, Muri, Ortiz-Self and Pollet; by request of Professional Educator Standards Board.

Brief History: Passed House: 3/06/17, 98-0.

Committee Activity: Early Learning & K-12 Education: 3/14/17, 3/21/17 [DP].

Brief Summary of Bill

- Requires payments to school districts for substitutes needed because the Professional Educator Standard Board requested certificated or classified school district employees to serve on committees that further education in the state.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EARLY LEARNING & K-12 EDUCATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Zeiger, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair; Rolfes, Ranking Minority Member; Billig, Mullet and Warnick.

Staff: Alia Kennedy (786-7405)

Background: A certificated or classified employee of a school district may serve at the request of the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) or the State Board of Education on any committee formed for the purpose of furthering state education. If substitutes are needed in order for a certificated or classified employee to serve on a committee, then OSPI must make payments to the employing school district using funds appropriated by the Legislature for the use of the common schools.

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Summary of Bill: OSPI must make payments to employing school district for substitutes needed because the Professional Educator Standard Board (PESB) requested certificated or classified school district employees to serve on a committee that furthers education in the state.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: This bill provides a simple, technical correction to a long-standing practice. It recognizes educators for the good work they do.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Representative John Lovick, Prime Sponsor; Justin Montermini, Professional Educator Standards Board.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: No one.