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HOUSE BILL 1254

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By Representatives Young, Santos, McCaslin, Ortiz-Self, Stambaugh, Bergquist, Lovick, Tarleton, Stanford, and Ormsby

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1 AN ACT Relating to an educational grant program to promote  
2 confidence, public speaking, and leadership skills in students;  
3 adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW; creating a new section;  
4 and providing an expiration date.

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.300  
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) Subject to funds appropriated for this specific purpose, the  
9 office of the superintendent of public instruction must establish a  
10 competitive grant program to award grants to school districts for the  
11 promotion of confidence, public speaking, and leadership skills in  
12 students in grades two through five. The grant program must be  
13 developed according to a schedule that provides school districts with  
14 sufficient time to apply for and receive grants in the 2017-18 school  
15 year.

16 (2) Grants awarded under this section must be for school  
17 districts proposing to collaborate with a partner school district for  
18 the purpose of replicating an implemented after-school program that:  
19 Promotes confidence, public speaking, and leadership skills in  
20 students in grades two through five; and is fully or partially  
21 administered and funded with private funds.

1 (3) School districts applying for or receiving grants under this  
2 section are encouraged to seek partnerships with public and private  
3 entities for the purpose of enhancing student benefits and minimizing  
4 costs to recipient districts and schools.

5 (4) By December 1, 2019, the superintendent of public instruction  
6 must report findings and recommendations for the grant program and an  
7 assessment of whether the program accomplished established goals and  
8 should be renewed. The report required by this subsection must be  
9 submitted to the education committees of the house of representatives  
10 and the senate in accordance with RCW 43.01.036.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act may be known and cited as the  
12 little toasters act.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Sections 1 and 2 of this act expire June  
14 20, 2020.

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