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By Senators McCune, J. Wilson, Holy, Padden, Fortunato, Warnick, and Wagoner

1 AN ACT Relating to the school districts' authority to establish
2 their curriculum; amending RCW 28A.150.230; and repealing RCW
3 28A.300.475.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.150.230 and 2010 c 235 s 201 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) It is the intent and purpose of this section to guarantee
8 that each common school district board of directors, whether or not
9 acting through its respective administrative staff, be held
10 accountable for the proper operation of their district to the local
11 community and its electorate. In accordance with the provisions of
12 (~~Title 28A RCW~~) this title, as now or hereafter amended, each
13 common school district board of directors shall be vested with the
14 final responsibility for the setting of policies ensuring quality in
15 the content and extent of its educational program and that such
16 program provide students with the opportunity to achieve those skills
17 which are generally recognized as requisite to learning.

18 (2) In conformance with the provisions of (~~Title 28A RCW~~) this
19 title, as now or hereafter amended, it shall be the responsibility of
20 each common school district board of directors to adopt policies to:

1 (a) Establish performance criteria and an evaluation process for
2 its superintendent, classified staff, certificated personnel,
3 including administrative staff, and for all programs constituting a
4 part of such district's curriculum. Each district shall report
5 annually to the superintendent of public instruction the following
6 for each employee group listed in this subsection (2)(a): (i)
7 Evaluation criteria and rubrics; (ii) a description of each rating;
8 and (iii) the number of staff in each rating;

9 (b) Determine the final assignment of staff, certificated or
10 classified, according to board enumerated classroom and program needs
11 and data, based upon a plan to ensure that the assignment policy: (i)
12 Supports the learning needs of all the students in the district; and
13 (ii) gives specific attention to high-need schools and classrooms;

14 (c) Provide information to the local community and its electorate
15 describing the school district's policies concerning hiring,
16 assigning, terminating, and evaluating staff, including the criteria
17 for evaluating teachers and principals;

18 (d) Determine the amount of instructional hours necessary for any
19 student to acquire a quality education in such district, in not less
20 than an amount otherwise required in RCW 28A.150.220, or rules of the
21 state board of education;

22 (e) Determine the allocation of staff time, whether certificated
23 or classified;

24 (f) Establish final curriculum standards (~~(consistent with law~~
25 ~~and rules of the superintendent of public instruction,)~~) relevant to
26 the particular needs of district students or the unusual
27 characteristics of the district, and ensuring a quality education for
28 each student in the district; and

29 (g) Evaluate teaching materials, including text books, teaching
30 aids, handouts, or other printed material, in public hearing upon
31 complaint by parents, guardians or custodians of students who
32 consider dissemination of such material to students objectionable.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.300.475 (Comprehensive sexual
34 health education) and 2020 c 188 s 1 & 2007 c 265 s 2 are each
35 repealed.

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