

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 2212

Synopsis as Enacted

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Brief Description: Requiring public school study of the Holocaust.

By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives O'Brien, Jacobsen, Locke, Anderson, Wineberry, Jones and Nelson).

House Committee on Education
Senate Committee on Education

Background: Prior to and during World War II, several million Jews and non-Jews were killed - an event now known as the "Holocaust." There are numerous other cases of genocide through history, as well.

State law requires public school students to study world history, but there is no specific provision regarding the study of the Holocaust or other examples of genocide.

Summary: Every public high school is encouraged to include a unit of instruction on the Holocaust. The instruction may also include other examples of genocide from ancient and modern history.

The Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction may prepare materials for use as guidelines in developing the unit of instruction and may make the materials available to all school districts.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	95	0
Senate	46	2

Effective: June 11, 1992