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CERTIFICATE

I, Gordon Golob, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6180** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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1 AN ACT Relating to education programs; adding new sections to 2 chapter 28A.600 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

MEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) A student's ability to learn can be adversely impacted by a number of factors, including but not limited to: Lack of parent involvement and support; child abuse and neglect; poverty, including parental unemployment or underemployment; family transiency and homelessness; drug and alcohol abuse; poor health and nutrition; crime; and peer influence.

10 (2) The legislature finds that:

(a) Prevention and intervention services at the elementary school level can offer early identification, encouragement, and follow-up of each child's special interests, creative talents, and particular abilities as well as identification of and cooperative assistance with

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learning, emotional, environmental, social, or physical obstacles to 1 2 normal child growth and development; and

(b) The provision of counseling and related prevention and 3 intervention services at the elementary school level can contribute to 4 5 enhancement of the classroom environment for students and teachers, and б better enable students to realize their academic and personal potential. 7

(c) The legislature finds that services should be provided to the 8 9 extent possible by public or private human service agencies.

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout sections 2 11 12 through 7 of this act.

13 (1) "Child intervention specialist" or "community-based public or private human service provider" means a person who provides early 14 15 intervention and prevention services and includes but is not limited to services provided by licensed mental health professionals, child 16 psychiatrists, health care providers, social service caseworkers or 17 18 social workers, school counselors, school psychologists, school nurses, 19 and school social workers.

(2) "Early grades," "elementary grades," and "elementary level" 20 mean kindergarten through grade six and may include preschool age 21 22 children served by the school district.

23 (3) "Elementary grades prevention and intervention program" means 24 a district-wide program or plan of early detection, prevention, and intervention of learning, emotional, environmental, social, or physical 25 26 problems of elementary students, that addresses student and family needs; the appropriate use and roles of child intervention specialists, 27 28 including training and necessary supervision; interprofessional cooperation; and interagency, public and private, collaboration and 29 ESSB 6180.PL

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coordination of the planning, delivery, and evaluation of programs and
 services.

3 (4) "Early intervention services" means services that are provided 4 to address social and emotional factors that can affect student 5 performance and behavior and that are provided when problems just begin 6 to emerge.

7 (5) "Prevention services" means services that are provided to 8 address social and emotional factors that can affect student 9 performance and behavior and that are provided to students before 10 problems occur.

11 (6) "Superintendent" means the superintendent of public12 instruction.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) From funds appropriated by the legislature, the superintendent shall establish the fair start program to assist school districts in providing prevention and intervention programs for elementary grade students. The fair start program shall not become a part of the state's basic program of education obligation as set forth under Article IX of the state Constitution.

19 (2) The superintendent shall distribute funds equitably to all 20 school districts based on the district's enrollment in grades kindergarten through six. However, the allocations for school 21 districts enrolling fewer than one thousand full-time equivalent 22 students shall be distributed to the educational service district in 23 which the district is located. The educational service district shall 24 use the allocation to provide early intervention and prevention 25 services under a cooperative agreement between the district and the 26 27 educational service district. Educational service districts shall 28 coordinate the use of staff and resources to serve school districts. Fair start funds shall not be used to replace funding for existing 29

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1 activities. However, any district currently providing elementary 2 students with prevention and intervention services that loses the 3 source of funding for those services, for reasons beyond the control of 4 the district, may use fair start funds to continue or enhance the 5 existing level of prevention and intervention services.

(3) Two or more school districts may cooperatively administer an
elementary prevention and intervention program. An educational service
district may administer a program on behalf of one or more school
districts.

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. (1) School districts and educational 11 service districts accepting fair start funds shall submit not later 12 than June 1, 1993, the following information to the superintendent of 13 public instruction:

14 (a) District goals relating to prevention and early intervention services for elementary students and the district's plan, based on the 15 16 goals, for providing prevention and early intervention services to students. To ensure delivery of appropriate services to students 17 18 through a coordinated network of service providers, districts shall 19 document that community-based public and/or private human service providers, district-level and building-level staff and administrators, 20 21 and parents participated in developing the goals and plan;

(b) Documentation of written interagency agreements or contracts between school and educational service districts, and public and/or private community-based human service providers to provide prevention and early intervention services to students;

(c) Procedures for notifying parents or guardians regarding the referral of students for prevention and intervention services and liability issues relating to the provision of prevention and intervention services to students outside school buildings;

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(d) Use of grant funds for prevention and intervention-related
 inservice purposes, including as necessary and appropriate,
 multicultural in-service training; and

4 (e) Other information as requested by the superintendent.

5 (2) To the greatest extent possible, the delivery of prevention and 6 early intervention services to students:

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(a) Shall not be duplicative of other programs;

8 (b) Shall be consistent with the applicable children's mental 9 health delivery system developed under chapter 71.36 RCW;

10 (c) Shall emphasize the most efficient and cost-effective use of 11 fair start funds; and

12 (d) Shall be provided on a twelve-month basis.

13 (3) When using school personnel to provide prevention and 14 intervention services, school districts are encouraged to utilize 15 paraprofessionals.

16 (4) School districts and educational service districts accepting 17 fair start funds shall enter into written interagency agreements with 18 community-based public and/or private human service providers to assure 19 delivery of appropriate services to students.

20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. (1) Districts shall use fair start funds 21 to provide prevention and intervention services to students with 22 priority given to students based on need. Districts shall establish 23 the criteria determining need.

(2) Funds from the fair start program regarding health care shall
 be used only for services and information relating to nutrition and
 poor health.

(3) Nothing under sections 2 through 7 of this act precludes a
district from incorporating a primary intervention program model or a

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1 family support worker model as part of the district's fair start
2 program.

3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 6. The superintendent of public instruction 4 may adopt rules as necessary under chapter 34.05 RCW to implement 5 sections 2 through 5 of this act.

6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 7. Upon request, the superintendent shall 7 provide information to districts regarding how other districts have 8 used fair start funds locally or how other districts have established 9 interagency agreements with community-based public and/or private human 10 service providers under section 4 of this act.

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 8. Sections 2 through 7 of this act are 12 each added to chapter 28A.600 RCW.

13 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 9. If any provision of this act or its 14 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the 15 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other 16 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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