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1 AN ACT Relating to American Indians; and adding new sections to
2 chapter 28B.10 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A center is established for the development
5 of curriculum on American Indians of the Northwest. The center shall
6 be administered by a state institution of higher education selected by
7 the higher education coordinating board. In making its selection, the
8 board shall have the following powers and duties:

9 (1) To appoint an advisory committee to assist the board in the
10 design of the request for proposal and the selection of the
11 administering institution;

12 (2) Through a competitive process that gives priority to proposals
13 that are collaborative and are sensitive to the needs of teachers and
14 of members of the American Indian community, to select a lead
15 institution to administer the center; and

16 (3) To consider institutional roles and missions and plans for
17 areas of emphasis or excellence when selecting an institution to
18 administer the center.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The purposes of the center established in
2 section 1 of this act shall include but not be limited to:

3 (1) Developing and disseminating curriculum for students in the K-
4 12 system on the culture, history, government, and philosophy of
5 American Indians;

6 (2) When funding is available, assisting school districts to
7 evaluate textbooks and course materials to ensure that the perspective
8 of American Indians is included in subject matter on the history,
9 culture, government, psychology, and philosophy of the people of this
10 country, state, and region;

11 (3) Working with Washington's colleges and universities to develop
12 course work and materials for prospective teachers on the culture,
13 history, philosophy, psychology, and government of the American Indian
14 peoples of the Pacific Northwest;

15 (4) Providing materials, institutes, and workshops on American
16 Indians to teachers, college and university professors, and school
17 administrators;

18 (5) Working with American Indians, Indian educators, school
19 administrators, parents, and community leaders to ensure that issues of
20 concern to American Indians remain a major focal point of the center;
21 and

22 (6) Seeking additional funding from federal, local, and private
23 sources.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The president of the lead institution or his
25 or her designee shall appoint a committee to advise the center created
26 in section 1 of this act. The committee shall include, but need not be
27 limited to representatives of: The governor's office of Indian
28 affairs, the Indian educators association, the office of the
29 superintendent of public instruction, teachers, professors in schools
30 or colleges of education, and members of Washington's Indian tribes.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act are each
32 added to chapter 28B.10 RCW.

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