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## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2183

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By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Karahalios, Foreman, Kessler, Grant, Rust, Cothern, Quall, J. Kohl, Lemmon, Dorn, Chappell, Eide, Roland, Brough, Carlson, Long, Pruitt, Johanson, Sehlin, Springer, Morris, Cooke, Jones and Patterson)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to a student conduct task force; creating new
- 2 sections; and providing an expiration date.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that school employees,
- 5 school board members, and parents are expressing increasing concern
- 6 about the growing number of disruptive students in public school
- 7 classrooms, and the legal and other barriers that make it difficult to
- 8 deal effectively with these students. These disruptive students often
- 9 require an extraordinary amount of attention and energy, which means
- 10 that nondisruptive students often receive less attention and
- 11 assistance. It is the intent of the legislature to identify laws,
- 12 rules, and practices that make it difficult for educators to manage
- 13 their classrooms and schools effectively, and to take appropriate
- 14 actions to make schools more conducive to learning.
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** (1) A task force on student conduct is
- 16 created. The purpose of the task force is to identify laws, rules, and
- 17 practices that make it difficult for educators to manage their
- 18 classrooms and schools effectively. Based on these findings, the task

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- 1 force shall make recommendations to the legislature, the state board of
- 2 education, the superintendent of public instruction, school districts,
- 3 institutions of higher education, and others regarding actions that
- 4 could be taken to reduce the problems generated by disruptive students
- 5 and thereby make schools more conducive to learning.
- 6 (2) Members of the task force and the chair shall be appointed by 7 the superintendent of public instruction, and shall include, but not be 8 limited to, representatives of parents, school employees, school board
- 9 members, school administrators, and school attorneys.
- 10 (3) Staffing for the task force shall be the responsibility of the superintendent of public instruction. Personnel from the office of the
- 12 superintendent may staff the task force, or the superintendent may
- 13 enter into a contract with a public or private entity.
- 14 (4) The findings and recommendations of the task force shall be
- 15 submitted to the entities identified in subsection (1) of this section
- 16 by November 1, 1994.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act shall expire December 31, 1994.

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