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## ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6153

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By Senate Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Senators Pelz and Loveland)

Read first time 02/04/94.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to the definition of a school bus driver; amending
- 2 RCW 28A.160.210; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.160.210 and 1989 c 178 s 20 are each amended to 5 read as follows:
- 6 In addition to other powers and duties, the state board of
- 7 education shall adopt rules ((and regulations)) governing the training
- 8 and qualifications of school bus drivers. For the purposes of this
- 9 section, "school bus driver" means a person who operates a school bus
- 10 as defined in RCW 46.04.521, as well as other motor vehicles for the
- 11 routine transportation of students between home and school on scheduled
- 12 <u>routes.</u> Such rules ((<del>and regulations</del>)) <u>for school bus drivers</u> shall be
- 13 designed to insure that persons will not be employed to operate school
- 14 buses unless they possess such physical health and driving skills as
- 15 are necessary to safely operate school buses: PROVIDED, That such
- 16 rules ((and regulations)) shall insure that school bus drivers are
- 17 provided a due process hearing before any certification required by
- 18 such rules ((and regulations)) is ((cancelled)) canceled: PROVIDED
- 19 FURTHER, That such rules ((and regulations)) shall not conflict with

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- 1 the authority of the department of licensing to license school bus
- 2 drivers in accordance with chapter 46.25 RCW. The state board of
- 3 education may obtain a copy of the driving record, as maintained by the
- 4 department of licensing, for consideration when evaluating a school bus
- 5 driver's driving skills.
- 6 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28A.320
- 7 RCW to read as follows:
- 8 School district boards of directors are encouraged to adopt
- 9 policies on qualifications for school district employees and volunteers
- 10 transporting students other than their own children to or from school
- 11 sponsored activities.

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