SENATE BILL 5427

State of Washington56th Legislature1999 Regular SessionBy Senators Hochstatter, Stevens and Roach

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1 AN ACT Relating to study of the federal and state constitutions; 2 amending RCW 28A.230.170; and creating a new section.

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

4 Sec. 1. RCW 28A.230.170 and 1985 c 341 s 1 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 The study of the Constitution of the United States and the 7 Constitution of the state of Washington shall be a condition prerequisite to graduation from the public and private high schools of 8 this state. The state board of education acting upon the advice of the 9 10 superintendent of public instruction shall provide by rule or regulation for the implementation of this section. Before beginning 11 the study of the Constitution of the United States and the Washington 12 state Constitution, each school district shall provide for its students 13 copies of Our Constitution and What it Means, by William Kottmeyer and 14 15 Thomas F. Eagleton. State funds shall be used to purchase copies.

16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of this 17 act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by 1 June 30, 1999, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and 2 void.

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