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SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6328

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By Senate Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin and Winsley)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to administration of oral medications at school;
- 2 adding a new section to chapter 28A.210 RCW; creating a new section;
- 3 and providing an effective date.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that school employees
- 6 are increasingly being asked to play an expanding role in protecting
- 7 children's health. School employees are increasingly required to
- 8 administer potent oral medications to students in schools. Some of
- 9 these medications are potentially dangerous if improperly administered.
- 10 The legislature finds that training in the administration of oral
- 11 medications is imperative for any school employee who administers oral
- 12 medications to students during the school day.
- 13 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.210
- 14 RCW to read as follows:
- 15 (1) Beginning with the 2000-01 school year, and continuing
- 16 thereafter, any school employee who is in a position to administer oral
- 17 medications, or who may be needed to do so at any time during the
- 18 school year, and has had no specific training on the administration of

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- oral medications, must complete a basic core training prior to 2 administering oral medications.
- 3 (2) The nursing care quality assurance commission shall adopt rules 4 providing for ongoing training for school employees who administer oral medications. 5
- (3) Beginning in the 2000-01 school year, each school shall 7 designate at least two school employees, other than the school nurse, who are responsible for the administration of oral medications to 8 9 students. This subsection does not preclude additional staff being 10 available to provide oral medications, however no employee may administer oral medications unless properly trained under this section. 11
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act takes effect July 1, 2000. 12

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