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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2332

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STUDENT GROUPS--CHARITABLE FUND-RAISING

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CLYDE BALLARD Speaker of the House of Representatives

FRANK CHOPP Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 2, 2000 Yeas 45 Nays 0 CERTIFICATE

We, Timothy A. Martin and Cynthia Zehnder, Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2332** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Schual-Berke, Edmonds, Dickerson, Keiser, Carlson, Hurst, Lantz and Stensen)

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1 AN ACT Relating to associated student body fund-raising activities; 2 amending RCW 28A.325.030; and creating a new section.

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

4 The legislature finds that current law NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. 5 permits associated student bodies to conduct fund-raising activities, including but not limited to soliciting donations, to raise money for б school sports programs and school clubs. However, students also want 7 to conduct fund-raising activities for charitable causes, such as to 8 9 fund scholarships and student exchange programs, assist families whose 10 homes have been destroyed, to fund community projects, and to rebuild the Statue of Liberty. 11

The legislature further finds that current law is not clear how 12 13 student groups may raise funds for charitable purposes, whether proceeds from any fund-raising activities can be used for charitable 14 15 purposes or only donations may be used for charitable purposes, and whether recipients must be "poor or infirm." This has resulted in 16 17 considerable confusion on the part of students regarding what type of fund-raising is permissible when funds are raised for charitable 18 19 purposes by student groups.

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1 It is the intent of the legislature to allow students to broaden 2 the types of fund-raisers that they may conduct for charitable purposes 3 in their private nonassociated student body capacities, and ensure that 4 these funds will be separate from student body funds to avoid 5 constitutional issues pertaining to the gifting of public funds.

6 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.325.030 and 1990 c 33 s 340 are each amended to 7 read as follows:

8 (1)(a) There is hereby created a fund on deposit with each county 9 treasurer for each school district of the county having an associated student body as defined in RCW 28A.325.020. Such fund shall be known 10 as the associated student body program fund. Rules ((and regulations 11 12 promulgated)) adopted by the superintendent of public instruction under RCW 28A.325.020 shall require separate accounting for each associated 13 14 student body's transactions in the school district's associated student 15 body program fund.

(b) All moneys generated through the programs and activities of any 16 associated student body shall be deposited in the associated student 17 18 body program fund. Such funds may be invested for the sole benefit of 19 the associated student body program fund in items enumerated in RCW 28A.320.320 and the county treasurer may assess a fee as provided 20 therein. Disbursements from such fund shall be under the control and 21 supervision, and with the approval, of the board of directors of the 22 23 school district, and shall be by warrant as provided in chapter 28A.350 24 RCW: PROVIDED, That in no case shall such warrants be issued in an amount greater than the funds on deposit with the county treasurer in 25 the associated student body program fund. To facilitate the payment of 26 27 obligations, an imprest bank account or accounts may be created and replenished from the associated student body program fund. 28

29 (c) The associated student body program fund shall be budgeted by 30 the associated student body, subject to approval by the board of directors of the school district. All disbursements from the 31 32 associated student body program fund or any imprest bank account 33 established thereunder shall have the prior approval of the appropriate 34 qoverninq body representing the associated student body. Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 43.09.210, it shall not be 35 36 mandatory that expenditures from the district's general fund in support 37 of associated student body programs and activities be reimbursed by payments from the associated student body program fund. 38

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1 ((Nothing in this section shall prevent those portions of studentgenerated moneys in the associated student body program fund, budgeted 2 3 or otherwise, which constitute bona fide voluntary donations and are 4 identified as donations at the time of collection from being used for such scholarship, student exchange and charitable purposes as the 5 appropriate governing body representing the associated student body 6 7 shall determine, and for such purposes, said moneys shall not be deemed 8 public moneys under section 7, Article VIII, of the state 9 Constitution.))

10 (2) Subject to applicable school board policies, student groups may conduct fund-raising activities, including but not limited to 11 soliciting donations, in their private capacities for the purpose of 12 generating nonassociated student body fund moneys. The school board 13 policy shall include provisions to ensure appropriate accountability 14 15 for these funds. Nonassociated student body program fund moneys generated and received by students for private purposes((, including 16 but not limited)) to use for scholarship, student exchange, and/or 17 charitable purposes((, may, in the discretion of the board of directors 18 of any school district,)) shall be held in trust in one or more 19 20 separate accounts within an associated student body program fund and be disbursed for such purposes as the student group conducting the fund-21 raising activity shall determine: PROVIDED, That the school district 22 shall either withhold an amount from such moneys as will pay the 23 24 district for its <u>direct</u> costs in providing the service or otherwise be 25 compensated for its cost for such service. Nonassociated student body 26 program fund moneys shall not be deemed public moneys under section 7, Article VIII of the state Constitution. Notice shall be given 27 identifying the intended use of the proceeds. The notice shall also 28 state that the proceeds are nonassociated student body funds to be held 29 30 in trust by the school district exclusively for the intended purpose. "Charitable purpose" under this section does not include any activity 31 related to assisting a campaign for election of a person to an office 32 or for the promotion or opposition to a ballot proposition. 33

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