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HOUSE BILL 2571

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By Representatives Boldt, Rockefeller, Alexander, Upthegrove, Bailey, Moeller and Anderson

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1 AN ACT Relating to school policies on health evaluations for and  
2 the administration of psychotropic drugs to children; and adding a new  
3 section to chapter 28A.210 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.210  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 Each board of directors of a public school district and each  
8 governing board of a private school or, if none, the chief  
9 administrator of the private school shall adopt and implement a policy  
10 that prohibits any school personnel from recommending the use of  
11 psychotropic drugs for any child. School personnel may send a letter  
12 to a parent or legal guardian recommending that an appropriate medical  
13 or behavioral health evaluation be conducted by a licensed physician if  
14 school personnel perceive that a child may have a behavioral or  
15 psychological problem.

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