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State of Washington

SENATE BILL 6220

By Senators Kohl-Welles, Johnson, McAuliffe, Esser, Winsley, T. Sheldon, Rasmussen, Kline and Keiser

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- AN ACT Relating to school employee duty to report suspected child
- 2 abuse or neglect; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.400 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.400 5 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) A school employee who has witnessed or has reasonable cause to believe that a student has suffered abuse or neglect by any person, including other school personnel, shall cause a report to be made to the proper law enforcement agency or to the department of social and
- 10 health services as required under RCW 26.44.030.
- 11 (2) School employees shall receive training regarding their 12 reporting obligations under state law every three years.

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