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Sponsor(s): Representatives McDermott, Haigh and Schual-Berke

Brief Description: Providing for a study of after-school programs.

HB 2777 - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Finds that good after-school programs and activities can provide safe and effective learning environments for children who would otherwise be alone and unsupervised after school.

Finds that most Americans believe that children should have access to organized activities after school and that many of them would be willing to support those programs with their taxes.

Declares an intent to direct the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the department of social and health services to work with the Washington after-school network to develop a statewide vision and strategic plan designed to ensure that quality after-school programs are available to every school-aged child in the state.

Authorizes the superintendent of public instruction and the department of social and health services to provide, by grant or contract, funding to the Washington after-school network for the purposes of this act. The agencies may also seek and expend funds from federal, state, and local governmental agencies and private organizations for the purposes of this act.