Sponsor(s): Representatives Upthegrove, Delvin, Quall, Linville, Wood, Ruderman, Schual-Berke, Chase, Santos and Kagi

Brief Description: Emphasizing civics education. Revised for 1st Substitute: Providing for civics education.

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(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Declares an intent to help school districts improve instruction in civics by providing professional development for teachers and by creating an award program for students who demonstrate a strong understanding of the state's civics standards and who exhibit leadership in the civic life of their communities.

Establishes the Daniel J. Evans civic education award to recognize the extraordinary accomplishments of students who have demonstrated a strong understanding of the civics essential learning requirements.

Appropriates the sum of ten thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the superintendent of public instruction for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, to provide professional development grants to teachers who have used one or more of the classroom-based civics assessment models developed by the superintendent of public instruction.

Appropriates the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the superintendent of public instruction for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, to provide summer professional development opportunities for teachers in implementing the civics essential academic learning requirements and the classroom-based civics assessments developed by the superintendent of public instruction.