
HOUSE BILL 3215

State of Washington 59th Legislature 2006 Regular Session

By Representatives Cox, Newhouse, Ormsby and Kenney

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1 AN ACT Relating to teacher retention in rural school districts; and
2 creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that recent
5 research by the University of Washington sheds light on teacher
6 retention, attrition, and mobility in Washington. The research
7 attempted to identify statewide and district patterns of teacher
8 behavior based on twenty sample districts. Despite some variation in
9 the district sample based on geographic region and size, however,
10 additional analysis and a more complete data set are necessary to make
11 valid findings for small and rural school districts in the state.

12 (2) The University of Washington shall continue its research on
13 teacher retention, attrition, and mobility and complete a study that
14 examines trends and patterns of teacher behavior in small and rural
15 school districts as compared to large and urban school districts. The
16 university shall submit the study findings to the education committees
17 of the legislature by December 1, 2006.

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