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On page 14, after line 29 of the striking amendment, insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 RCW to read as follows:

Subject to funds appropriated for this purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall contract with a national organization to establish, maintain, and operate an endowment for the promotion of geography education in Washington state. The national organization must have experience operating geography education endowments in other states and must provide equal nonstate matching funds to the state funds provided in the All funds in and any interest earned on the endowment shall be used exclusively for geography education programs including, but not limited to, curriculum materials, resource collections, and professional development institutes for teachers and administrators. The national organization must have an established affiliated advisory committee in the state to recommend local projects to be funded by the endowment. The contract shall require that the organization report annually to the superintendent on the recipients of endowment funds and the amounts and purposes of expenditures from the fund."

EFFECT: Subject to funding, directs OSPI to contract with a national organization to establish, maintain, and operate a geography education endowment in Washington. Requires the national organization to have experience operating geography education endowments and provide equal non-state matching funds. Directs that funds and interest on the endowment be used for geography education programs, including curriculum, resource collections, and professional development.