SENATE BILL 5593

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By Senators McAuliffe, King, Hobbs, Schoesler, and Shin

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1 AN ACT Relating to career and technical student organizations; and 2 amending RCW 28A.300.380.

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

Sec. 1. RCW 28A.300.380 and 2000 c 84 s 2 are each amended to read
as follows:
(1) The legislature finds that career and technical student
organizations help to prepare students to meet minimum college and
workforce requirements.
(2) Career and technical student organization activities are
integral to career and technical education if they:
(a) Provide instructional strategies used to develop, improve, and
expand occupational competencies that relate to a particular career and
technical subject matter;
(b) Are an extension of the classroom and laboratory instructional
program that enriches and enhances classroom learning; and
(c) Include curriculum-oriented activities to help students to gain
personal and leadership skills that maximize employability and the
ability to become productive citizens in the workforce, home, and

19 <u>community.</u>

1 (3) In order to receive state support, student organizations must:
2 (a) Prepare students for career experiences beyond high school;

3 (b) Help students develop personal, leadership, technical, and 4 <u>occupational skills;</u>

5 (c) Be an integral component of career and technical education
 6 instructional programs; and

7 (d) Directly help students achieve state learning goals, especially
8 goals three and four with respect to critical thinking, problem
9 solving, and decision-making skills.

(4) The superintendent of public instruction shall maintain support 10 11 for statewide coordination for career and technical student 12 organizations by providing program staff support that is available to 13 assist in meeting the needs of career and technical student organizations and their members and students. The superintendent shall 14 provide at least one full-time equivalent program staff for purposes of 15 implementing this section. The superintendent may provide additional 16 support to the organizations through contracting with independent 17 18 coordinators.

19 (((2))) <u>(5)</u> Career and technical student organizations eligible for 20 technical assistance and other support services under this section are 21 organizations recognized as career and technical student organizations 22 by:

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(a) The United States department of education; or

(b) The superintendent of public instruction, if such recognition
 is recommended by the Washington association for career and technical
 education.

27 (((3))) (6) Career and technical student organizations eligible for 28 technical assistance and other support services under this section include, but are not limited to: 29 The national FFA organization; 30 career, and community leaders of America; skillsUSA; family, distributive education clubs of America; future business leaders of 31 32 America; and the technology student association.

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