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By Senators McAuliffe, Hobbs, Jarrett, and Tom

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1 AN ACT Relating to the state board of health adopting rules that
2 impact school districts; adding a new section to chapter 28A.210 RCW;
3 creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature commends the state board
6 of health for its commitment to making schools safe and to ensuring
7 healthy learning environments for all children. While the legislature
8 is also committed to the health and safety of Washington's school
9 children, it recognizes that it cannot practically implement the state
10 board of health's proposed school environmental health and safety rules
11 without an extended phase-in period in light of other budget
12 constraints.

13 (2) This section expires July 1, 2011.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.210
15 RCW to read as follows:

16 Before implementation of the school environmental health and safety
17 rules, the state board of health shall present the rules and a final
18 cost estimate to the legislature, and the legislature shall formally

1 approve the implementation of the rules through the omnibus
2 appropriations act or by statute or concurrent resolution. The
3 legislature may incrementally phase-in appropriations to support the
4 school environmental health and safety rules until full implementation
5 can be achieved.

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