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By Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, McAuliffe, Jacobsen, and Gordon)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to discrimination in public schools; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.640 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.640 5 RCW to read as follows:
- The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall have 6 7 authority to review, process, and refer appropriate complaints from victims of discrimination in public schools based on state laws 8 9 prohibiting discrimination including sex, race, creed, color, national 10 origin, marital status, sexual orientation as defined in RCW 49.60.040, 11 age, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a 12 13 disability, as well as federal laws prohibiting discrimination including Title VI of the civil rights act of 1964, as amended (42) 14 U.S.C. Secs. 2000d et seq.), Title IX of the education amendments of 15 16 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. Secs. 1681 et seq.), section 504 of the 17 rehabilitation act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. Sec. 794), the age discrimination act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. Secs. 6101 et seq.), 18 19 and the boy scouts of America equal access act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec.

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- 1 7905). Complaints referred by the office of the superintendent of
- 2 public instruction shall be submitted to the appropriate state or
- 3 federal investigative and enforcement agency.

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