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By Senators Tom and Prentice

AN ACT Relating to reducing costs in state elementary and secondary
 education programs; and amending RCW 28A.415.380, 28A.320.190,
 28A.415.340, 28A.300.515, 28A.630.035, 28A.300.130, 28A.245.060,
 28A.625.020, 28A.300.520, and 28A.320.125.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.415.380 and 2007 c 396 s 4 are each amended to 7 read as follows:

8 (1) A mathematics and science instructional coach program is 9 authorized, which shall consist of a coach development institute, 10 coaching seminars, coaching activities in schools, and program 11 evaluation.

12 (2) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall develop a mathematics and science instructional coach program that 13 14 includes an initial coach development experience for new coaches provided through an institute setting, coaching support seminars, and 15 16 additional coach development services. The office shall draw upon the experiences of coaches in federally supported elementary literacy 17 18 programs and other successful programs, research and policy briefs on 19 adult professional development, and research that specifically 1 addresses the instructional environments of middle, junior high, and 2 high schools as well as the unique aspects of the fields of mathematics 3 and science.

4 (3) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall 5 design the application process and select the program participants.

6 (4) Schools and school districts participating in the program shall 7 carefully select the individuals to perform the role of mathematics or 8 science instructional coach. Characteristics to be considered for a 9 successful coach include:

10 (a) Expertise in content area;

11 (b) Expertise in various instructional methodologies and 12 personalizing learning;

13 (c) Personal skills that include skilled listening, questioning,14 trust-building, and problem-solving;

15 (d) Understanding and appreciation for the differences in adult 16 learners and student learners; and

17 (e) Capacity for strategic planning and quality program18 implementation.

(5) The role of the mathematics or science instructional coach is 19 focused on supporting teachers as they apply knowledge, develop skills, 20 21 polish techniques, and deepen their understanding of content and 22 instructional practices. This work takes a number of forms including: 23 Individualized professional development, department-wide and school-24 wide professional development, guidance in student data interpretation, 25 and using assessment to guide instruction. Each coach shall be 26 assigned to two schools as part of the program.

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(6) Program participants have the following responsibilities:

(a) Mathematics and science coaches shall participate in the coach development institute as well as in coaching support seminars that take place throughout the school year, practice coaching activities as guided by those articulated in the role of the coach in subsection (5) of this section, collect data, and participate in program evaluation activities as requested by the institute pursuant to subsection (7) of this section.

35 (b) School and district administrators in districts in which the 36 mathematics and science coaches are practicing shall participate in 37 program evaluation activities.

(7)(a) The Washington State University social and economic sciences 1 2 research center shall conduct an evaluation of the mathematics and science instructional coach program in this section. Data shall be 3 4 collected through various instruments including surveys, program and reports, student performance 5 activity measures, observations, 6 interviews, and other processes. Findings shall include an evaluation of the coach development institute, coaching support seminars, and 7 8 other coach support activities; recommendations with regard to the 9 characteristics required of the coaches; identification of changes in teacher instruction related to coaching activities; and identification 10 11 of the satisfaction level with coaching activities as experienced by 12 classroom teachers and administrators.

(b) The Washington State University social and economic sciences research center shall report its findings to the governor, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, and the education and fiscal committees of the legislature. An interim report is due November 1, 2008. The final report is due December 1, 2009.

18 (8) The mathematics and science instructional coach program in this 19 section shall be implemented to the extent funds are available for that 20 purpose.

21 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.320.190 and 2008 c 321 s 3 are each amended to 22 read as follows:

23 (1) The extended learning opportunities program is created for eligible eleventh and twelfth grade students who are not on track to 24 25 meet local or state graduation requirements as well as eighth grade 26 students who ((may not be on track to meet the standard on the Washington assessment of student learning or)) need additional 27 28 assistance in order to have the opportunity for a successful entry into 29 The program shall provide early notification of high school. 30 graduation status and information on education opportunities including 31 preapprenticeship programs that are available.

32 (2) Under the extended learning opportunities program <u>and to the</u> 33 <u>extent funds are available for that purpose</u>, districts shall make 34 available to students in grade twelve who have failed to meet one or 35 more local or state graduation requirements the option of continuing 36 enrollment in the school district in accordance with RCW 28A.225.160.

Districts are authorized to use basic education program funding to 1 2 provide instruction to eligible students under RCW 28A.150.220(3).

(3) Under the extended learning (([opportunities])) opportunities 3 4 program, instructional services for eligible students can occur during the regular school day, evenings, on weekends, or at a time and 5 location deemed appropriate by the school district, including the б 7 educational service district, in order to meet the needs of these 8 students. Instructional services provided under this section do not include services offered at private schools. Instructional services 9 10 can include, but are not limited to, the following:

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(a) Individual or small group instruction;

12 (b) Instruction in English language arts and/or mathematics that 13 eligible students need to pass all or part of the Washington assessment 14 of student learning;

15 (c) Attendance in a public high school or public alternative school classes or at a skill center; 16

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(d) Inclusion in remediation programs, including summer school;

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(e) Language development instruction for English language learners; (f) Online curriculum and instructional support, including programs 19 20 for credit retrieval and Washington assessment of student learning 21 preparatory classes; and

22 (g) Reading improvement specialists available at the educational 23 service districts to serve eighth, eleventh, and twelfth grade 24 educators through professional development in accordance with RCW 25 28A.415.350. The reading improvement specialist may also provide 26 direct services to eligible students and those students electing to 27 continue a fifth year in a high school program who are still struggling 28 with basic reading skills.

29 Sec. 3. RCW 28A.415.340 and 2007 c 402 s 1 are each amended to read as follows: 30

(1) Research supports the value of quality school and school 31 32 district leadership. Effective leadership is critical to improving student learning and transforming underperforming schools and school 33 34 districts into world-class learning centers.

35 (2) A public-private partnership is established to develop, pilot, 36 and implement, to the extent funds are available, the Washington state 37 leadership academy to focus on the development and enhancement of personal leadership characteristics and the teaching of effective practices and skills demonstrated by school and district administrators who are successful managers and instructional leaders. It is the goal of the academy to provide state-of-the-art programs and services across the state.

6 (3) Academy partners include the state superintendent and principal 7 professional associations, private nonprofit foundations, institutions 8 of higher education with approved educator preparation programs, the professional educator standards board, the office of the superintendent 9 of public instruction, educational service districts, the state school 10 business officers' association, and other entities identified by the 11 12 partners. The partners shall designate an independent organization to 13 act as the fiscal agent for the academy and shall establish a board of directors to oversee and direct the academy's finances, services, and 14 15 The academy shall be supported by a national research programs. institution with demonstrated expertise in educational leadership. 16

17 (4) Initial development of academy course content and activities
18 shall be supported by private funds. <u>Implementation of the Washington</u>
19 <u>state leadership academy is subject to the availability of funds.</u>
20 Initial tasks of the academy are to:

(a) Finalize a comprehensive design of the academy and the development of the curriculum frameworks for a comprehensive leadership development program that includes coursework, practicum, mentoring, and evaluation components;

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(b) Develop curriculum for individual leadership topics;

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(c) Pilot the curriculum and all program components; and

(d) Modify the comprehensive design, curriculum coursework,
practicum, and mentoring programs based on the research results gained
from pilot activities.

30 The board of directors shall report semiannually to the (5) superintendent of public instruction on the financial contributions 31 32 provided by foundations and other organizations to support the work of 33 the academy. The board of directors shall report by December 31st each year to the superintendent of public instruction on the programs and 34 35 services provided, numbers of participants in the various academy 36 activities, evaluation activities regarding program and participant 37 outcomes, and plans for the academy's future development.

(6) The board of directors shall make recommendations for changes
 in superintendent and principal preparation programs, the administrator
 licensure system, and continuing education requirements.

4 Sec. 4. RCW 28A.300.515 and 2007 c 396 s 15 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 <u>To the extent funds are available for this purpose, the</u> 7 superintendent of public instruction shall provide support for 8 statewide coordination for math, science, and technology, including 9 employing a statewide director for math, science, and technology. The 10 duties of the director shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) Within funds specifically appropriated therefor, obtain a statewide license, or otherwise obtain and disseminate, an interactive, project-based high school and middle school technology curriculum that includes a comprehensive professional development component for teachers and, if possible, counselors, and also includes a systematic program evaluation. The curriculum must be distributed to all school districts, or as many as feasible, by the 2007-08 school year;

18 (2) Within funds specifically appropriated therefor, supporting a 19 public-private partnership to assist school districts with implementing 20 an ongoing, inquiry-based science program that is based on a research-21 based model of systemic reform and aligned with the Washington state 22 science grade level expectations;

(3) Within funds specifically appropriated therefor, supporting a public-private partnership to provide enriching opportunities in mathematics, engineering, and science for underrepresented students in grades kindergarten through twelve using exemplary materials and instructional approaches;

(4) In an effort to increase precollege and prework interest in 28 29 math, science, and technology fields, in collaboration with the community and technical colleges, the four-year institutions of higher 30 31 education, and the workforce training and education coordinating board, 32 conducting outreach efforts to attract middle and high school students to careers in math, science, and technology and to educate students 33 34 about the coursework that is necessary to be adequately prepared to 35 succeed in these fields;

36 (5) Coordinating youth opportunities in math, science, and 37 technology, including facilitating student participation in school

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1 clubs, state-level fairs, national competitions, and encouraging 2 partnerships between students and university faculty or industry to 3 facilitate such student participation;

4 (6) Developing and maintaining public-private partnerships to 5 generate business and industry assistance to accomplish the following:

6 (a) Increasing student engagement and career awareness, including 7 increasing student participation in the youth opportunities in 8 subsection (5) of this section;

9 (b) Creation and promotion of student scholarships, internships,10 and apprenticeships;

(c) Provision of relevant teacher experience and training,
 including on-the-job professional development opportunities;

13 (d) Upgrading kindergarten through twelfth grade school equipment 14 and facilities to support high quality math, science, and technology 15 programs;

16 (7) Assembling a cadre of inspiring speakers employed or 17 experienced in the relevant fields to speak to kindergarten through 18 twelfth grade students to demonstrate the breadth of the opportunities 19 in the relevant fields as well as share the types of coursework that 20 ((is [are])) are necessary for someone to be successful in the relevant 21 field;

(8) Providing technical assistance to schools and school districts,
 including working with counselors in support of the math, science, and
 technology programs; and

(9) Reporting annually to the legislature about the actions takento provide statewide coordination for math, science, and technology.

27 **Sec. 5.** RCW 28A.630.035 and 2006 c 113 s 3 are each amended to 28 read as follows:

(1) The legislature finds that the complexity of modern political
life has created a demand for informed citizens who are willing not
only to vote, but also to participate in the elections process.

32 (2) The purpose of this section is to create a pilot project to
33 help graduate students who are better voters, better citizens, and who
34 are ready to take an informed and responsible place in society.

(3) The office of the superintendent of public instruction, within
 <u>funds available for this purpose</u>, shall work with selected county
 auditors' offices to develop an interactive high school civics

curriculum to help students learn how to become informed citizens. The curriculum shall meet the requirements for the office of the superintendent of public instruction's classroom-based assessments. Staff from the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall work directly in the curriculum development.

6 (4) Counties ((shall)) may apply to, and be selected by, the office
7 of the superintendent of public instruction to participate in the pilot
8 project under this section. A maximum of fifteen counties may
9 participate.

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(5) The curriculum shall include, but not be limited to:

11 (a) Local government organization;

12 (b) A discussion of ballot measures, initiatives, and referenda;

13 (c) The role of the precinct in defining ballots, candidates, and 14 political activities;

(d) The roles and responsibilities of taxing jurisdictions inestablishing ballot measures; and

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(e) The work of conducting elections.

18 (6) The study may include in the curriculum civics essential 19 academic learning requirements relating to examining representative 20 government and citizen participation and analyzing the purposes and 21 organization of government and laws.

22 (7) To the extent funds are available, a curriculum guide shall be 23 developed that will help teachers and students maximize the learning of 24 key issues in civics, and shall include strategies for helping students develop voters' guide information for ballot issues and candidates who 25 26 appear on the ballot. This guide should incorporate ideas from other 27 Washington state civics education programs, such as "We the People" and 28 "Project Citizen." The guide should also present ideas for sharing the 29 results of an election with the larger community and with local 30 government officials in productive, meaningful ways.

31 (8) In addition to the required components of the pilot project 32 under this section, other activities may be included in the project, 33 such as:

34 (a) Conducting mock county elections at schools; and

35 (b) Preparing an advisory issue on which the school would vote, 36 including issue preparation, conducting the election, and preparing a 37 presentation to a local government official on the results of the 38 advisory issue. (9) The pilot project shall operate for the 2006-07 and 2007-08
 school years.

3 (((10) Funds for the pilot project shall be made available to the 4 office of the superintendent of public instruction for a contract 5 position in civics curriculum and for support costs for soliciting and 6 implementing volunteer participation.

7 (11)) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall
8 adopt rules to implement this section, including rules specifying
9 selection criteria for counties that wish to participate.

10 (((12))) (11) The superintendent of public instruction shall 11 provide an interim report to appropriate committees of the legislature 12 by December 1, 2008, and a final report by December 1, 2009, detailing 13 the results of the project and budget recommendations for expansion, if 14 appropriate.

15 (((13))) <u>(12)</u> This section expires January 31, 2010.

16 Sec. 6. RCW 28A.300.130 and 2008 c 165 s 1 are each amended to 17 read as follows:

To facilitate access to information and materials 18 (1) on educational improvement and research, the superintendent of public 19 20 instruction, to the extent funds are appropriated, shall establish the 21 center for the improvement of student learning. The center shall work 22 in conjunction with parents, educational service districts, 23 institutions of higher education, and education, parent, community, and 24 business organizations.

(2) The center, to the extent funds are appropriated for this
 purpose, and in conjunction with other staff in the office of the
 superintendent of public instruction, shall:

(a) Serve as a clearinghouse for information regarding successful
educational improvement and parental involvement programs in schools
and districts, and information about efforts within institutions of
higher education in the state to support educational improvement
initiatives in Washington schools and districts;

33 (b) Provide best practices research that can be used to help 34 schools develop and implement: Programs and practices to improve 35 instruction; systems to analyze student assessment data, with an 36 emphasis on systems that will combine the use of state and local data 37 to monitor the academic progress of each and every student in the

school district; comprehensive, school-wide improvement plans; school-1 2 based shared decision-making models; programs to promote lifelong 3 learning and community involvement in education; school-to-work 4 transition programs; programs to meet the needs of highly capable students; programs and practices to meet the needs of students with 5 6 disabilities; programs and practices to meet the diverse needs of students based on gender, racial, ethnic, economic, and special needs 7 8 status; research, information, and technology systems; and other programs and practices that will assist educators in helping students 9 10 learn the essential academic learning requirements;

11 (c) Develop and maintain an internet web site to increase the 12 availability of information, research, and other materials;

13 (d) Work with appropriate organizations to inform teachers, 14 district and school administrators, and school directors about the 15 waivers available and the broadened school board powers under RCW 16 28A.320.015;

17 (e) Provide training and consultation services, including 18 conducting regional summer institutes;

(f) Identify strategies for improving the success rates of ethnic and racial student groups and students with disabilities, with disproportionate academic achievement;

22 (q) Work with parents, teachers, and school districts in 23 establishing a model absentee notification procedure that will properly 24 notify parents when their student has not attended a class or has missed a school day. The office of the superintendent of public 25 26 instruction shall consider various types of communication with parents 27 including, but not limited to, electronic mail, phone, and postal mail; 28 and

(h) Perform other functions consistent with the purpose of thecenter as prescribed in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) The superintendent of public instruction shall select andemploy a director for the center.

33 (4) The superintendent may enter into contracts with individuals or organizations including but not limited to: 34 School districts; 35 educational service districts; educational organizations; teachers; 36 higher education faculty; institutions of higher education; state 37 agencies; business or community-based organizations; and other individuals and organizations to accomplish the 38 duties and

responsibilities of the center. In carrying out the duties and
 responsibilities of the center, the superintendent, whenever possible,
 shall use practitioners to assist agency staff as well as assist
 educators and others in schools and districts.

(5) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall 5 report to the legislature by September 1, 2007, and thereafter б 7 biennially, regarding the effectiveness of the center for the 8 improvement of student learning, how the services provided by the 9 center for the improvement of student learning have been used and by 10 whom, and recommendations to improve the accessibility and application of knowledge and information that leads to improved student learning 11 12 and greater family and community involvement in the public education 13 system.

14 **Sec. 7.** RCW 28A.245.060 and 2007 c 463 s 7 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 <u>To the extent funds are available, the superintendent of public</u> 17 instruction shall assign at least one full-time equivalent staff 18 position within the office of the superintendent of public instruction 19 to serve as the director of skill centers.

20 Sec. 8. RCW 28A.625.020 and 1991 c 255 s 1 are each amended to 21 read as follows:

22 (1) The superintendent of public instruction shall establish an 23 annual award program for excellence in education to recognize teachers, 24 principals, administrators, classified staff, school district 25 superintendents, and school boards for their leadership, contributions, 26 and commitment to education. The program shall recognize annually:

27 (((1))) (a) Five teachers from each congressional district of the 28 state. One individual must be an elementary level teacher, one must be 29 a junior high or middle school level teacher, and one must be a 30 secondary level teacher. Teachers shall include educational staff 31 associates;

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((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> Five principals or administrators from the state;

33 (((<del>3)</del>)) (c) One school district superintendent from the state;
34 ((<del>4)</del>)) (d) One school district board of directors from the state;

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1 (((<del>(5)</del>))) (e) Three classified staff from each congressional district
2 of the state.

3 (2) Implementation of the program in this section is contingent on
4 the provision of funds available for this purpose.

5 **Sec. 9.** RCW 28A.300.520 and 2007 c 384 s 5 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

7 (1) The superintendent of public instruction shall review current 8 policies and assess the adequacy and availability of programs targeted 9 at children who have a parent who is incarcerated in a department of corrections facility. The superintendent of public instruction shall 10 11 adopt policies that support the children of incarcerated parents and 12 meet their needs with the goal of facilitating normal child 13 development, including maintaining adequate academic progress, while reducing intergenerational incarceration. 14

15 (2) <u>To the extent funds are available, the superintendent shall</u> 16 conduct the following activities to assist in implementing the 17 requirements of subsection (1) of this section:

18 (a) Gather information and data on the students who are the 19 children of inmates incarcerated in department of corrections 20 facilities; and

(b) Participate in the children of incarcerated parents advisory committee and report information obtained under this section to the advisory committee.

24 **Sec. 10.** RCW 28A.320.125 and 2007 c 406 s 1 are each amended to 25 read as follows:

26 (1) The legislature considers it to be a matter of public safety for public schools and staff to have current safe school plans and 27 procedures in place, fully consistent with federal law. 28 The legislature further finds and intends, by requiring safe school plans 29 30 to be in place, that school districts will become eligible for federal The legislature further finds that schools are in a 31 assistance. position to serve the community in the event of an emergency resulting 32 33 from natural disasters or man-made disasters.

34 (2) Schools and school districts shall consider the guidance
 35 provided by the superintendent of public instruction, including the
 36 comprehensive school safety checklist and the model comprehensive safe

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1 school plans that include prevention, intervention, all hazard/crisis 2 response, and postcrisis recovery, when developing their own individual 3 comprehensive safe school plans. Each school district shall adopt, no 4 later than September 1, 2008, and implement a safe school plan 5 consistent with the school mapping information system pursuant to RCW 6 36.28A.060. The plan shall:

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(a) Include required school safety policies and procedures;

8 (b) Address emergency mitigation, preparedness, response, and9 recovery;

10 (c) Include provisions for assisting and communicating with 11 students and staff, including those with special needs or disabilities;

(d) Use the training guidance provided by the Washington emergency management division of the state military department in collaboration with the Washington state office of the superintendent of public instruction school safety center and the school safety center advisory committee;

(e) Require the building principal to be certified on the incidentcommand system;

(f) Take into account the manner in which the school facilities may be used as a community asset in the event of a community-wide emergency; and

(g) Set guidelines for requesting city or county law enforcement agencies, local fire departments, emergency service providers, and county emergency management agencies to meet with school districts and participate in safety-related drills ((annually)).

26 (3) <u>To the extent funds are available, s</u>chool districts shall 27 annually:

(a) Review and update safe school plans in collaboration with localemergency response agencies;

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(b) Conduct an inventory of all hazardous materials;

31 (c) Update information on the school mapping information system to 32 reflect current staffing and updated plans, including:

(i) Identifying all staff members who are trained on the national incident management system, trained on the incident command system, or are certified on the incident command system; and

(ii) Identifying school transportation procedures for evacuation,to include bus staging areas, evacuation routes, communication systems,

1 parent-student reunification sites, and secondary transportation 2 agreements consistent with the school mapping information system; and

3 (d) Provide information to all staff on the use of emergency4 supplies and notification and alert procedures.

5 (4) <u>To the extent funds are available, school districts ((are</u> 6 <u>required to)</u>) <u>shall</u> annually record and report on the information and 7 activities required in subsection (3) of this section to the Washington 8 association of sheriffs and police chiefs.

9 (5) School districts are encouraged to work with local emergency 10 management agencies and other emergency responders to conduct one 11 tabletop exercise, one functional exercise, and two full-scale 12 exercises within a four-year period.

13 (6) Schools shall conduct no less than one safety-related drill each month that school is in session. Schools shall complete no less 14 than one drill using the school mapping information system, one drill 15 for lockdowns, one drill for shelter-in-place, and six drills for fire 16 evacuation in accordance with the state fire code. Schools should 17 consider drills for earthquakes, tsunamis, or other high-risk local 18 events. Schools shall document the date and time of such drills. This 19 20 subsection is intended to satisfy all federal requirements for 21 comprehensive school emergency drills and evacuations.

(7) Educational service districts are encouraged to apply for federal emergency response and crisis management grants with the assistance of the superintendent of public instruction and the Washington emergency management division of the state military department.

(8) The superintendent of public instruction may adopt rules to implement provisions of this section. These rules may include, but are not limited to, provisions for evacuations, lockdowns, or other components of a comprehensive safe school plan.

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