

ESB 6620 - H COMM AMD  
By Committee on Education

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "PART I

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes that public  
5 schools are required to have safe school plans and procedures in  
6 place. The legislature acknowledges that there are costs associated  
7 with these plans and procedures. The legislature intends to review  
8 the funding of school safety and security programs and work toward a  
9 statewide plan for funding cost-effective methods for school safety  
10 that meet the needs of local school districts.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The Washington state institute for  
12 public policy shall complete an evaluation of how Washington and  
13 other states have addressed the funding of school safety and security  
14 programs and submit a report to the appropriate committees of the  
15 legislature, the governor, and the office of the superintendent of  
16 public instruction by December 1, 2017.

17 (2) This section expires August 1, 2018.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300  
19 RCW to read as follows:

20 (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this  
21 specific purpose, the office of the superintendent of public  
22 instruction and the school safety advisory committee shall hold  
23 annual school safety summits. Each annual summit must focus on  
24 establishing and monitoring the progress of a statewide plan for  
25 funding cost-effective methods for school safety that meet local  
26 needs. Other areas of focus may include planning and implementation  
27 of school safety planning efforts, training of school safety  
28 professionals, and integrating mental health and security measures.

1 (2) Summit participants must be appointed no later than August 1,  
2 2016.

3 (a) The majority and minority leaders of the senate shall appoint  
4 two members from each of the relevant caucuses of the senate.

5 (b) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint two  
6 members from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of  
7 representatives.

8 (c) The governor shall appoint one representative.

9 (3) Other summit participants may include representatives from  
10 the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the  
11 department of health, educational service districts, educational  
12 associations, emergency management, law enforcement, fire  
13 departments, parent organizations, and student organizations.

14 (4) Staff support for the annual summit shall be provided by the  
15 office of the superintendent of public instruction and the school  
16 safety advisory committee.

17 (5) Legislative members of the summit are reimbursed for travel  
18 expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative members are  
19 not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they are elected  
20 officials or are participating on behalf of an employer, governmental  
21 entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for other  
22 nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

## 23 PART II

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The legislature finds that school  
25 personnel are often the first responders when there is a violent  
26 threat or natural or man-made disaster at a school. The legislature  
27 further finds there is a need to develop training for school  
28 personnel to intervene and provide assistance during these emergency  
29 incidents. The legislature recognizes an educational service district  
30 has developed a model for a regional school safety and security  
31 center, which can provide this type of training.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.310  
33 RCW to read as follows:

34 (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this  
35 specific purpose, educational service districts may implement a  
36 regional school safety and security program modeled after the

1 educational service district that has developed a regional school  
2 safety and security center.

3 (2) The programs should include the following components:

4 (a) Establishment of a network of school safety coordinators for  
5 the educational service districts, which shall focus on prevention  
6 planning, intervention, mitigation, crisis response, and community  
7 recovery regarding emergency incidents in schools;

8 (b) Collaboration with the educational service district that  
9 developed the model for a regional school safety and security center  
10 to adopt its model for a regional school safety and security center;

11 (c) Creation of technology-based systems that enable more  
12 efficient and effective communication between schools and emergency  
13 response entities, including local law enforcement, local fire  
14 department, and state and federal responders;

15 (d) Provision of technology support to improve communication and  
16 data management between schools and emergency response entities;

17 (e) Ongoing training of school personnel and emergency responders  
18 to establish a system for preventative identification, intervention  
19 strategies, and management of risk behaviors;

20 (f) Development of a professional development to train school  
21 personnel as first responders until the arrival of emergency  
22 responders; and

23 (g) Building collaborative relationships between other  
24 educational service districts, the office of the superintendent of  
25 public instruction, and the school safety advisory committee."

26 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Makes provisions directing the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the School Safety Advisory Committee to hold annual school safety summits, and provisions relating to the optional implementation of a regional school safety and security program, subject to appropriation.

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