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1 AN ACT Relating to informing high school students enrolled in
2 dual credit courses about the online credit search tool; and amending
3 RCW 28A.230.130.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.230.130 and 2011 c 77 s 2 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) All public high schools of the state shall provide a program,
8 directly or in cooperation with a community college or another school
9 district, for students whose educational plans include application
10 for entrance to a baccalaureate-granting institution after being
11 granted a high school diploma. The program shall help these students
12 to meet at least the minimum entrance requirements under RCW
13 28B.10.050.

14 (2) All public high schools of the state shall provide a program,
15 directly or in cooperation with a community or technical college, a
16 skill(~~(s—[skill])~~) center, an apprenticeship committee, or another
17 school district, for students who plan to pursue career or work
18 opportunities other than entrance to a baccalaureate-granting
19 institution after being granted a high school diploma. These programs
20 may:

1 (a) Help students demonstrate the application of essential
2 academic learning requirements to the world of work, occupation-
3 specific skills, knowledge of more than one career in a chosen
4 pathway, and employability and leadership skills; (~~and~~)

5 (b) Help students demonstrate the knowledge and skill needed to
6 prepare for industry certification, and/or have the opportunity to
7 articulate to postsecondary education and training programs.

8 (3) Within existing resources, all public high schools in the
9 state shall:

10 (a) Work towards the goal of offering a sufficient number of high
11 school courses that give students the opportunity to earn the
12 equivalent of a year's worth of postsecondary credit towards a
13 certificate, apprenticeship program, technical degree, or associate
14 or baccalaureate degree. These high school courses are those advanced
15 courses that have accompanying proficiency exams or demonstrated
16 competencies that are used to demonstrate postsecondary knowledge and
17 skills; (~~and~~)

18 (b) Inform students and their families, emphasizing communication
19 to underrepresented groups, about the program offerings and the
20 opportunities to take courses that qualify for postsecondary credit
21 through demonstrated competencies or if the student earns the
22 qualifying score on the proficiency exam. This information shall
23 encourage students to use the twelfth grade as the launch year for an
24 advance start on their career and postsecondary education; and

25 (c) Inform students who are enrolled in an advanced course that
26 has an accompanying proficiency exam about the credit search tool
27 provided online by the student achievement council. This information
28 shall be sent upon enrollment in the course and sent by email or by
29 written notice if no email account is available.

30 (4) A middle school that receives approval from the office of the
31 superintendent of public instruction to provide a career and
32 technical program in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics
33 directly to students shall receive funding at the same rate as a high
34 school operating a similar program. Additionally, a middle school
35 that provides a hands-on experience in science, technology,
36 engineering, or mathematics with an integrated curriculum of academic
37 content and career and technical education, and includes a career and

1 technical education exploratory component shall also qualify for the
2 career and technical education funding.

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