

SSB 6191 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Education

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

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature stated in RCW
4 70.305.005 that "adverse childhood experiences are a powerful common
5 determinant of a child's ability to be successful at school and, as
6 an adult, to be successful at work, to avoid behavioral and chronic
7 physical health conditions, and to build healthy relationships."

8 (2) The legislature recognizes that the healthy youth survey is a
9 voluntary and anonymous survey administered every two years to
10 students in sixth, eighth, tenth, and twelfth grades.

11 (3) The legislature intends to include questions related to
12 adverse childhood experiences in the healthy youth survey to help
13 assess the prevalence of adverse childhood experiences throughout the
14 state. The legislature further intends for these data to help inform
15 school district and community decision making and improve services
16 for students.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300
18 RCW to read as follows:

19 (1)(a) The health care authority, in collaboration with the
20 office of the superintendent of public instruction, the department of
21 health, and the liquor and cannabis board, must incorporate questions
22 related to adverse childhood experiences into the healthy youth
23 survey that are validated for children and would allow reporting of
24 adverse childhood experiences during childhood to be included in
25 frequency reports. The questions must be administered for two cycles
26 of the healthy youth survey and then evaluated by the agencies for
27 any needed changes.

28 (b) Student responses to the healthy youth survey are voluntary
29 and must remain anonymous.

1 (c) The aggregated student responses to the adverse childhood
2 experiences questions must be made publicly available and
3 disaggregated by state, educational service district, and county.

4 (d) School districts and school buildings must be provided the
5 aggregated student responses of their students.

6 (e) The student response data specified in (c) and (d) of this
7 subsection must comply with state and federal privacy laws.

8 (2) School districts are encouraged to use the information about
9 adverse childhood experiences in their decision making and to help
10 improve services for students."

11 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Removes the requirement for aggregated student responses to be publicly published at the school district level. Extends the aggregated information availability to all school districts as opposed to only school districts with twenty or fewer students. Requires that the publication provision of student responses comply with state and federal privacy laws.

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