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- AN ACT Relating to supporting and strengthening the professional education workforce through recruitment, residency, research, and retention strategies; amending RCW 28A.415.265, 28A.655.210, 28A.300.507, 28A.410.300, and 28A.410.210; adding a new section to chapter 28A.410 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.655 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 28A RCW; creating new sections; and providing expiration dates.
- 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 9 Online Platform for the Recruitment and Hiring of Public School
 10 Employees
- 11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** (1) By October 1, 2024, in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, the office of the superintendent of public instruction 12 13 shall report to the appropriate committees of the legislature on the results of a feasibility study for the development and implementation 14 15 of an online platform for the recruitment and hiring of public school employees that meets the requirements of this section. The office of 16 17 superintendent of public instruction shall contract with a has sufficient expertise to conduct the 18 research entity that 19 feasibility study.

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- 1 (2) The feasibility of including the following functions and 2 features in the online platform must be studied:
 - (a) A job posting and search or filter function that allows for efficient searching or filtering of job postings by job seekers;
 - (b) A resume storage and search or filter function that allows for efficient searching or filtering of resumes by employers;
 - (c) A common employment application with a customizable form for employers to add additional questions;
 - (d) Integration with other relevant state databases;
 - (e) A description of and links to the websites of Washington professional educator standards board-approved educator preparation programs; and
 - (f) Links to websites describing state and federal financial aid available to develop and support the workforce of the public school system, including the educator conditional scholarship and loan repayment programs under chapter 28B.102 RCW.
 - (3) The feasibility study must consider the extent to which existing applications, platforms, and other technologies may be repurposed to produce an online platform with the functions and features described in subsection (2) of this section.
 - (4) In conducting the feasibility study, the contractor must consult with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the Washington professional educator standards board, the employment security department, educational service districts, and representatives of school districts, school building leaders, and school staff.
- 27 (5) This section expires August 1, 2025.

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Teacher Residency Program

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. DEFINITIONS. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 32 (1) "Board" means the Washington professional educator standards 33 board.
- 34 (2) "Cohort" means a group of residents enrolled in the same 35 teacher preparation program who begin their residencies at the same 36 time and have the same anticipated completion date.

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- 1 (3) "Consortium" means a group of school districts, state-tribal 2 education compact schools, or both, that partner with a teacher 3 preparation program to support a cohort of residents.
- 4 (4) "Office" means the office of the superintendent of public instruction.
 - (5) "Preservice mentor" means a teacher who:

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- (a) Has at least three years' teaching experience;
- 8 (b) Has at least three consecutive years of performance 9 evaluations under RCW 28A.405.100 with a performance rating of level 10 3 or above;
- 11 (c) To the extent possible, has an endorsement deemed by the 12 board to be equivalent to the endorsement area sought by the 13 preservice mentor's resident or has at least three years' experience 14 teaching in the content area of the resident's desired endorsement; 15 and
- 16 (d) Has been trained and selected using the tool developed under section 16 of this act.
 - (6) "Residency" means a yearlong preservice clinical practice in a public elementary or secondary school in which the resident coteaches with a preservice mentor, while the resident concurrently completes teacher preparation program coursework.
- 22 (7) "Resident" means a person enrolled in a board-approved 23 teacher preparation program who is participating in a teacher 24 residency program.
- 25 (8) "Teacher preparation program" means a teacher preparation 26 program approved by the board.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVAL PROCESS.
- 28 (1) The office and the board shall collaborate to establish an application and approval process for a school district, state-tribal education compact school, or consortium, in partnership with a teacher preparation program seeking approval to operate a teacher residency program.
- 33 (2) At a minimum, a teacher residency program must meet the 34 following requirements:
- 35 (a) Residents receive compensation equivalent to first year 36 paraeducators, as defined in RCW 28A.413.010;
 - (b) Each resident is assigned a preservice mentor;
- 38 (c)(i) Except as provided in (c)(ii) of this subsection (2), each preservice mentor is assigned to one resident.

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- 1 (ii) On a case-by-case basis, the office and the board may 2 approve an individual preservice mentor to be assigned up to two 3 residents;
 - (d) Preservice mentors receive a stipend of \$2,500 per year;
 - (e) Residents receive at least 900 hours of preservice clinical practice over the course of the school year;
 - (f) At least half of the residency hours specified in (e) of this subsection are in a coteaching setting with the resident's preservice mentor and the other half of the residency hours are in a coteaching setting with another teacher;
 - (g) Residents may not be assigned the lead or primary responsibility for student learning;
 - (h) Residents are in a cohort of 15 to 20;

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- (i) Preservice mentors use the preservice mentor and induction standards developed under section 16 of this act;
- (j) Coursework taught during the residency is codesigned by the teacher preparation program and the school district, state-tribal education compact school, or consortium, tightly integrated with residents' preservice clinical practice, and focused on developing culturally responsive teachers;
- 21 (k) The program must prepare residents to meet or exceed the 22 knowledge, skills, performance, and competency standards described in 23 RCW 28A.410.270(1); and
- 24 (1) Any additional requirements in the partnership agreement 25 entered into as required under section 5 of this act.
 - NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. GRANTS. (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, and as required by this section, the office, in collaboration with the board, shall award grants to school districts, state-tribal education compact schools, or consortia, with teacher residency programs approved under section 3 of this act. Grants must be prioritized to communities that are anticipated to be most positively impacted by teacher residents who fill teacher vacancies upon completing the teacher residency program and who remain in the communities in which they are mentored.
 - (2) For the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years, grants must be prioritized to teacher residency programs at school districts, state-tribal education compact schools, or consortia, with the highest percentages of teachers with limited certificates, and to support at least three cohorts of residents seeking an endorsement in special

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- 1 education or early childhood special education and at least two 2 cohorts of residents seeking an endorsement in bilingual education.
- 3 (3) Beginning with the 2026-27 school year, the office and the 4 board shall collaborate to determine additional grant award criteria.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT. (1) (a) The office and the board shall collaborate to develop and publish a model agreement for school districts, state-tribal education compact schools, or consortia, and teacher preparation programs partnering to operate teacher residency programs.
 - (b) The model agreement must include the following provisions:

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- 11 (i) The teacher preparation program must provide feedback and 12 instructional support to preservice mentors and to residents in 13 curricula, instructional design and planning, and pedagogical 14 practice;
- 15 (ii) The school district, state-tribal education compact school, 16 or consortium must support residents in navigating the teacher 17 residency program, as well as school processes and structures; and
 - (iii) An affirmation by the school district, state-tribal education compact school, or consortium of its capacity and intent to hire its residents into teaching positions, with preference for positions in the resident's endorsement area.
- (2) A school district, state-tribal education compact school, or consortium, and a teacher preparation program intending to operate a teacher residency program shall enter into a partnership agreement using the model agreement developed under subsection (1) of this section.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. RESIDENCY PRESERVICE MENTORING AND INDUCTION STANDARDS. School districts, state-tribal education compact schools, and consortia must use the standards for preservice mentoring and induction of residents developed under section 16 of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. RESIDENT AND PRESERVICE MENTOR SCREENING TOOLS. School districts, state-tribal education compact schools, and consortia must use the screening tools developed under section 16 of this act.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. DATA COLLECTION. School districts, state-tribal education compact schools, consortia, and teacher preparation programs partnering to operate teacher residency programs shall submit teacher residency program data at the time and in the manner required by the office and the board.
- 6 NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. ADVISORY COUNCIL. (1) The board, in 7 collaboration with the office, shall coordinate and regularly convene an advisory council of education partners. The advisory council must 8 9 include representatives of state associations representing teachers, 10 principals, administrators, school board members, and families. The 11 advisory council must study problems of practice within the teacher residency programs and to guide and steer decisions for continuous 12 improvement of the teacher residency programs that result in positive 13 outcomes for students, school districts, state-tribal education 14 15 compact schools, consortia, teacher preparation programs, preservice 16 and residents participating in the teacher 17 programs.
- 18 (2) By October 1, 2026, in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, the 19 advisory council shall report to the appropriate committees of the 20 legislature with its recommendations for improving the teacher 21 residency program to increase positive outcomes as described in 22 subsection (1) of this section.
 - (3) This section expires June 30, 2033.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. EVALUATION OF EFFECTIVENESS. (1) The board shall contract with a nonprofit and nonpartisan organization to evaluate the effectiveness and impacts of the teacher residency program over at least the first four years of implementation. The nonprofit and nonpartisan organization must have at least seven years of experience conducting high quality research to improve evidence-based education policies and practices that support empowering and equitable learning for all students. By November 1, 2028, and in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, the board shall submit a report of the evaluation to the appropriate committees of the legislature.
 - (2) This section expires August 1, 2029.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY. The office and the board may adopt rules under chapter 34.05 RCW that are necessary for the effective and efficient implementation of this chapter.

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Sec. 12. Sections 2 through 11 of this act 1 NEW SECTION.

2 constitute a new chapter in Title 28A RCW.

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Teacher Exchange Program Report

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. (1) By October 1, 2023, and in compliance 4 with RCW 43.01.036, the office of the superintendent of public 5 instruction must submit to the appropriate committees of the 6 legislature a report recommending whether and how the state should 7 8

- establish a teacher exchange program.
- (2) At a minimum, the report must include:
- (a) The benefits and challenges of implementing a teacher 10 11 exchange program in Washington;
 - (b) Whether, and to what extent, a teacher exchange program would create opportunities for professional growth for teachers in Washington and other countries, facilitate cross-cultural awareness enrichment, and address Washington's teacher workforce challenges;
- 17 (c) A list of letters, memoranda of understanding, or other documents addressing issues such as teacher qualifications, including 18 19 licensure and experience, any United States visa requirements, and 20 estimated teacher expenses and salary information, drafted to 21 facilitate establishment and implementation of teacher exchange 22 programs in Washington; and
 - (d) An estimate of the costs to the state and to school districts to implement a teacher exchange program.
 - In developing its recommendations, the office of the superintendent of public instruction must consult with:
 - School districts with experience implementing teacher exchanges and school districts interested in participating in a teacher exchange program;
 - (b) The United States department of state regarding the federal exchange visitor program requirements of 22 C.F.R. Part 62; and
- (c) United States embassies and education agencies of other 32 33 countries.
- 34 (4) This section expires June 30, 2024.

Educator Preparation and Workforce Program Improvement Report

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- 1 NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. (1) By October 1, 2024, and in compliance with RCW 43.01.036, the Washington professional educator standards 2 3 board shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature with recommendations for the improvement of the quality 4 and effectiveness of educator preparation and workforce programs. The 5 6 report must: (a) Compare the requirements of the teacher residency program established in this act and registered teacher apprenticeship 7 programs; (b) include recommendations to increase 8 certification reciprocity for residency, professional, and other 9 10 certificate tiers; and (c) include proposals for better coordination 11 between educator preparation partners and opportunities for educator 12 preparation and workforce program improvement and expansion.
- 13 (2) This section expires August 1, 2025.

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Preservice and Inservice Mentoring

- 15 **Sec. 15.** RCW 28A.415.265 and 2019 c 295 s 302 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) ((For the purposes of this section, a mentor educator is a teacher, educational staff associate, or principal who:
 - (a) Has successfully completed training in assisting, coaching, and advising beginning principals, beginning educational staff associates, beginning teachers, or student teachers as defined by the office of the superintendent of public instruction;
 - (b) Has been selected using mentor standards developed by the office of the superintendent of public instruction; and
- 25 (c) Is participating in ongoing mentor skills professional development.
 - (2)(a))) The beginning educator support team program is established to ((provide professional development and mentoring for beginning principals, beginning educational staff associates, beginning teachers, and candidates in alternative route teacher certification programs under chapter 28A.660 RCW)) improve beginning educator quality and increase beginning educator retention.
- 33 (2)(a) The state beginning educator support team program,
 34 administered by the office of the superintendent of public
 35 instruction, must support local beginning educator support team
 36 programs by:

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1 (i) Providing technical assistance, intentional and sustained 2 professional learning opportunities, and induction coaching services 3 to school leaders and mentors;

- (ii) Facilitating collaborative, coordinated learning between local beginning educator support team programs; and
- (iii) Allocating grants to local beginning educator support team programs as provided in subsection (3) of this section.
- (b) The <u>office of the</u> superintendent of public instruction shall notify school districts <u>and state-tribal education compact schools</u> about the beginning educator support team program and encourage ((districts to apply)) application for program funds.
- (3) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall allocate funds for the <u>implementation of a local</u> beginning educator support team program, with the components described in subsection (5) of this section, on a competitive basis to individual school districts, consortia of districts, or state-tribal compact schools. In allocating funds, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall give priority to:
- (a) Schools and districts identified for comprehensive or targeted support and improvement as required under the federal elementary and secondary education act;
- (b) School districts with a large influx of beginning principals, beginning educational staff associates, or beginning classroom teachers; ((and))
- (c) School districts <u>and state-tribal education compact schools</u> that ((demonstrate an understanding of the research-based standards for beginning educator induction developed by the office of the superintendent of public instruction)) have not recently been allocated funds under this subsection (3) and exhibit a readiness to implement a local beginning educator support team program; and
- (d) School districts and state-tribal education compact schools expanding existing local beginning educator support team programs.
- (4) A portion of the ((appropriated funds may be used for program coordination and provision of statewide or regional professional development through)) funds appropriated under subsection (3) of this section may be used by the office of the superintendent of public instruction for activities under subsection (2) of this section.
- 39 (5) A <u>local</u> beginning educator support team program must include 40 the following components:

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(a) A paid instructional orientation or individualized assistance for beginning educators before the start of the school year ((for program participants));

- (b) A trained and qualified mentor assigned to each ((program participant)) beginning educator for up to three years, with intensive support in the first year and decreasing support in subsequent years;
- (c) A goal to provide ((program participants)) beginning educators from underrepresented populations with a mentor who has strong ties to underrepresented populations;
- (d) Ongoing professional ((development)) <u>learning</u> designed to meet the unique needs of each ((program participant)) <u>beginning</u> educator for supplemental training and skill development;
- 14 (e) Initial and ongoing professional ((development)) <u>learning</u> for 15 mentors;
 - (f) Release time for mentors and ((program participants))

 beginning educators to work together, as well as time for ((program participants)) beginning educators to observe accomplished peers;
 - (g) To the extent possible, a school or classroom assignment that is appropriate for a beginning ((principal, beginning educational staff associate, or beginning teacher)) educator;
 - (h) Nonevaluative observations with written feedback for ((program participants)) beginning educators;
 - (i) Support <u>for beginning educators</u> in understanding and participating in the state and district evaluation process and using the instructional framework, leadership framework, or both, to promote growth;
 - (j) Adherence to research-based standards for beginning educator induction developed by the office of the superintendent of public instruction; ((and))
- 31 (k) Alignment to the standards of practice developed by the 32 Washington professional educator standards board under RCW 33 28A.410.260; and
 - (1) A program evaluation that identifies program strengths and gaps using the standards for beginning educator induction, the retention of beginning educators, and positive impact on student growth for ((program participants)) beginning educators.
- 38 (6) The <u>local</u> beginning educator support team program components 39 under subsection (5) of this section may be provided for continuous

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- 1 improvement coaching to support educators on probation under RCW 28A.405.100.
- 3 (7) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 4 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 5 <u>(a) "Beginning educator" means a first-year through third-year</u> 6 <u>principal, first-year through third-year teacher, and first-year</u> 7 through third-year educational staff associate.
- 8 <u>(b) "Mentor" means a certificated principal, certificated</u>
 9 <u>teacher, or certificated educational staff associate who:</u>
 - (i) Has had the certificate for at least three years;

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- (ii) For principals and teachers, has at least three consecutive years of performance evaluations under RCW 28A.405.100 with a performance rating of level 3 or above;
- (iii) Has successfully completed training in assisting, coaching, and advising beginning principals, beginning educational staff associates, or beginning teachers;
 - (iv) Has been selected using mentor standards developed by the office of the superintendent of public instruction and aligned to the standards of practice developed by the Washington professional educator standards board under RCW 28A.410.260;
- 21 <u>(v) Is assigned to a beginning educator in a similar role or</u>
 22 <u>field as the mentor, and for teachers, to the extent possible, has an</u>
 23 <u>endorsement deemed by the Washington professional educator standards</u>
 24 <u>board to be equivalent to the endorsement area sought by the</u>
 25 <u>beginning educator; and</u>
- 26 <u>(vi) Is participating in ongoing mentor skills professional</u>
 27 development.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 16. A new section is added to chapter 28A.410 RCW to read as follows:
- 30 (1) The Washington professional educator standards board shall 31 collaborate with the office of the superintendent of public 32 instruction to develop and periodically update:
- 33 (a) Standards for preservice mentoring and induction of 34 preservice teachers, including residents as defined in section 2 of 35 this act, based on the standards for beginning educator mentoring and 36 induction developed under RCW 28A.415.265; and
- 37 (b) Model screening tools for the identification and selection of 38 residents and preservice mentors, as defined in section 2 of this 39 act.

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1 (2) The standards and model screening tools developed under 2 subsection (1) of this section must be posted on the website of the 3 Washington professional educator standards board.

Educator Workforce Research

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 17.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.655 6 RCW to read as follows:

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- 7 (1) The office of the superintendent of public instruction and 8 the Washington professional educator standards board shall collect, 9 organize, and analyze data to make determinations about the quality 10 and effectiveness of educator workforce programs.
- 11 (2) At a minimum, the educator workforce programs referenced 12 under this section include:
- 13 (a) Washington professional educator standards board-approved 14 educator preparation programs;
- 15 (b) Pilot projects implementing the bilingual educator initiative 16 under RCW 28A.180.120;
- 17 (c) Beginning educator support team programs under RCW 18 28A.415.265;
- 19 (d) Recruiting Washington teachers program under RCW 28A.415.370; 20 and
- 21 (e) Teacher residency program under chapter 28A.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 12 of this act).
- 23 (3) At a minimum, collected data must include educator 24 demographics, assessment scores, program completion rates, 25 endorsement completion rates, program completer rates of retention in 26 the profession, and program costs to the state and to the program 27 participant.
- 28 (4) At a minimum, collected data must be analyzed and used to support, evaluate, and approve the programs listed in subsection (2) of this section.
- 31 (5) The data collected under this section must be maintained in 32 the K-12 education data improvement system established under RCW 33 28A.655.210.
- 34 **Sec. 18.** RCW 28A.655.210 and 2009 c 548 s 202 are each amended 35 to read as follows:
- 36 (1) (($\overline{\text{It}}$ is the legislature's intent to establish a)) \underline{A} 37 comprehensive K-12 education data improvement system for financial,

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- student, and educator data is established. The objective of the system is to monitor student progress, have information on the quality of the educator workforce, monitor and analyze the costs of programs, provide for financial integrity and accountability, and have the capability to link across these various data components by student, by class, by ((teacher)) certificated instructional staff, by certificated administrative staff, by paraeducator, by school, by district, by educator's preparation program, and statewide. Education data systems must be flexible and able to adapt to evolving needs for information, but there must be an objective and orderly data governance process for determining when changes are needed and how to implement them. ((It is the further intent of the legislature to provide independent review and evaluation of a)) The comprehensive K-12 education data improvement system ((by assigning the review and monitoring responsibilities to)) must be independently reviewed and monitored by the education data center and the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee.
 - (2) ((It is the intent that the)) To the extent that data is available, the K-12 education data improvement system must specifically service reporting requirements for ((teachers)) educators, parents, superintendents, public schools, school boards, the legislature, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the Washington professional educator standards board, and the public.

- (3) ((It is the legislature's intent that the)) The K-12 education data improvement system ((used by school districts and the state)) must include ((but not be limited to)) the following information and functionality:
- (a) Comprehensive educator information, ((including grade)) for example: Grade level and courses taught, building or location, program, job assignment, years of experience, the ((institution of higher education)) educator preparation program from which the educator obtained his or her degree, compensation, class size, mobility of class population, socioeconomic data of class, number of languages and which languages are spoken by students, general resources available for curriculum and other classroom needs, and number and type of instructional support staff in the building;
- (b) The capacity to link educator assignment information with educator certification information such as certification number, type

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of certification, route to certification, certification program, and certification assessment or evaluation scores;

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- (c) Common coding of secondary courses and major areas of study at the elementary level or standard coding of course content;
- (d) Robust student information, ((including but not limited to student)) for example: Student characteristics, course and program enrollment, performance on statewide and district summative and formative assessments to the extent district assessments are used, and performance on college readiness tests;
- 10 (e) A subset of student information elements to serve as a 11 dropout early warning system;
- 12 (f) The capacity to link educator information with student 13 information;
 - (g) A common, standardized structure for reporting the costs of programs at the <u>public</u> school and <u>school</u> district level with a focus on the cost of services delivered to students;
- 17 (h) Separate accounting of state, federal, and local revenues and 18 costs;
 - (i) Information linking state funding formulas to <u>public school</u> and school district budgeting and accounting, including procedures:
 - (i) To support the accuracy and auditing of financial data; and
- 22 (ii) Using the prototypical school model for school district 23 financial accounting reporting;
 - (j) The capacity to link program cost information with student performance information to gauge the cost-effectiveness of programs;
 - (k) Information that is centrally accessible and updated regularly; and
 - (1) An anonymous, nonidentifiable replicated copy of data that is updated at least quarterly, and made available to the public by the state.
 - (4) ((It is the legislature's goal that all)) All public schools and school districts must have the capability to collect state-identified common data and export it in a standard format to support ((a statewide)) the K-12 education data improvement system ((under this section)).
- (5) ((It is the legislature's intent that the)) The K-12 education data improvement system <u>must</u> be developed to provide the capability to make reports as required under RCW 28A.300.507 available.

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- 1 (6) ((It is the legislature's intent that)) Public schools and 2 school districts <u>must</u> collect and report new data elements to satisfy 3 the requirements of RCW 43.41.400, this section, and RCW 28A.300.507, 4 only to the extent funds are available for this purpose.
 - (7) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

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- (a) "Educator" includes paraeducator, certificated instructional staff, and certificated administrative staff.
 - (b) "Public school" has the same meaning as in RCW 28A.150.010.
- 10 **Sec. 19.** RCW 28A.300.507 and 2020 c 61 s 3 are each amended to 11 read as follows:
 - (1) A K-12 data governance group shall be established within the office of the superintendent of public instruction to assist in the design and implementation of a K-12 education data improvement system for financial, student, and educator data as described in RCW 28A.655.210. ((It is the intent that the data system reporting specifically serve requirements for teachers, parents, superintendents, school boards, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the legislature, and the public.))
 - (2) The K-12 data governance group shall include representatives of the education data center, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee, the <u>Washington</u> professional educator standards board, the state board of education, and school district staff, including information technology staff. Additional entities with expertise in education data may be included in the K-12 data governance group.
 - (3) The K-12 data governance group shall:
 - (a) Identify the critical research and policy questions that need to be addressed by the K-12 education data improvement system;
 - (b) Identify reports and other information that should be made available on the internet in addition to the reports identified in subsection (5) of this section;
- 34 (c) Create a comprehensive needs requirement document detailing 35 the specific information and technical capacity needed by school 36 districts and the state to meet the legislature's expectations for a 37 comprehensive K-12 education data improvement system as described 38 under RCW 28A.655.210;

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- (d) Conduct a gap analysis of current and planned information compared to the needs requirement document, including an analysis of the strengths and limitations of an education data system and programs currently used by school districts and the state, and specifically the gap analysis must look at the extent to which the existing data can be transformed into canonical form and where existing software can be used to meet the needs requirement document;
- (e) Focus on financial and cost data necessary to support the new K-12 financial models and funding formulas, including any necessary changes to school district budgeting and accounting, and on assuring the capacity to link data across financial, student, and educator systems; and
- (f) Define the operating rules and governance structure for K-12 education data collections, ensuring that data systems are flexible and able to adapt to evolving needs for information, within an objective and orderly data governance process for determining when changes are needed and how to implement them. Strong consideration must be made to the current practice and cost of migration to new requirements. The operating rules ((should)) must delineate the coordination, delegation, and escalation authority for data collection issues, business rules, and performance goals for each K-12 <u>education</u> data collection system, including:
- 23 and maintaining standards for privacy (i) Defining and confidentiality; 24
 - (ii) Setting data collection priorities;

establish which subset data are absolutely required.

- (iii) Defining and updating a standard data dictionary;
- (iv) Ensuring data compliance with the data dictionary;
- (v) Ensuring data accuracy; and

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(vi) Establishing minimum standards for school, student, financial, and ((teacher)) certificated staff data systems. 30 31 elements may be specified "to the extent feasible" or "to the extent 32 available" to collect more and better data sets from public schools 33 and school districts with more flexible software. Nothing in RCW 43.41.400, this section, or RCW 28A.655.210 ((should)) 34 may be construed to require that a data dictionary or reporting should be 35 hobbled to the lowest common set. The work of the K-12 data 36 governance group must specify which data are desirable. ((Districts)) 37 <u>Public schools and school districts</u> that can meet these requirements 38 39 shall report the desirable data. Funding from the legislature must

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1 (4)(a) The K-12 data governance group shall provide updates on 2 its work as requested by the education data center and the 3 legislative evaluation and accountability program committee.

- (b) The work of the K-12 data governance group shall be periodically reviewed and monitored by the educational data center and the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee.
- (5) To the extent data is available, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall make the following minimum reports available on the internet. The reports must either be run on demand against current data, or, if a static report, must have been run against the most recent data:
- (a) The per-pupil expenditures of federal, state, and local funds including actual personnel expenditures and actual nonpersonnel expenditures of federal, state, and local funds disaggregated by source of funds, for each local educational agency and each school in the state for the preceding fiscal year;
- (b) Number of K-12 students per classroom teacher on a per teacher basis;
- (c) Percentage of classroom teachers per school district and per school disaggregated as described in RCW 28A.300.042(1) for student-level data;
- (d) Average length of service of classroom teachers per school district and per school disaggregated as described in RCW 28A.300.042(1) for student-level data;
- (e) The cost of K-12 education per student by school district sorted by federal, state, and local dollars; and
- (f) Data on student growth to align with the every student succeeds act (129 Stat. 1802; 20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.).
- (6) ((The superintendent of public instruction shall submit a preliminary report to the legislature by November 15, 2009, including the analyses by the K-12 data governance group under subsection (3) of this section and preliminary options for addressing identified gaps. A final report, including a proposed phase-in plan and preliminary cost estimates for implementation of a comprehensive data improvement system for financial, student, and educator data shall be submitted to the legislature by September 1, 2010.
- (7)) All reports and data referenced in this section and RCW 43.41.400 and 28A.655.210 ((shall)) must be made available in a manner consistent with the technical requirements of the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee and the education

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data center so that selected data can be provided to the legislature, governor, <u>public schools</u>, school districts, and the public.

(((8))) (7) Reports ((shall)) <u>must</u> contain data to the extent it is available. All reports must include documentation of which data are not available or are estimated. Reports must not be suppressed because of poor data accuracy or completeness. Reports may be accompanied with documentation to inform the reader of why some data are missing or inaccurate or estimated.

Sec. 20. RCW 28A.410.300 and 2010 c 235 s 506 are each amended to read as follows:

((Beginning with the 2010 school year and annually thereafter, each educational service district, in cooperation with the)) The Washington professional educator standards board((τ)) must annually convene each educational service district and representatives from school districts within that region and Washington professional educator standards board-approved educator preparation programs to review school district and regional educator workforce data maintained in the K-12 education data improvement system established under RCW 28A.655.210, make biennial projections of ((certificate)) certificated staffing needs, and identify how recruitment and enrollment plans in educator preparation programs reflect projected need.

Sec. 21. RCW 28A.410.210 and 2017 3rd sp.s. c 26 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

The purpose of the Washington professional educator standards board is to establish policies and requirements for the preparation and certification of educators that provide standards for competency in professional knowledge and practice in the areas of certification; a foundation of skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary to help students with diverse needs, abilities, cultural experiences, and learning styles meet or exceed the learning goals outlined in RCW 28A.150.210; knowledge of research-based practice; and professional development throughout a career. The Washington professional educator standards board shall:

(1) Establish policies and practices for the approval of programs of courses, requirements, and other activities leading to educator certification including teacher, school administrator, and educational staff associate certification;

(2) Establish policies and practices for the approval of the character of work required to be performed as a condition of entrance to and graduation from any educator preparation program including teacher, school administrator, and educational staff associate preparation program as provided in subsection (1) of this section;

- (3) Establish a list of accredited institutions of higher education of this and other states whose graduates may be awarded educator certificates as teacher, school administrator, and educational staff associate and establish criteria and enter into agreements with other states to acquire reciprocal approval of educator preparation programs and certification, including teacher certification from the national board for professional teaching standards;
- 14 (4) Establish policies for approval of nontraditional educator 15 preparation programs;
 - (5) Conduct a review of educator program approval standards at least every five years, beginning in 2006, to reflect research findings and assure continued improvement of preparation programs for teachers, administrators, and school specialized personnel;
 - (6) Specify the types and kinds of educator certificates to be issued and conditions for certification in accordance with subsection (1) of this section, RCW 28A.410.251, and 28A.410.010;
 - (7) Apply for and receive federal or other funds on behalf of the state for purposes related to the duties of the board;
 - (8) Adopt rules under chapter 34.05 RCW that are necessary for the effective and efficient implementation of this chapter;
 - (9) Maintain data concerning educator preparation programs and their quality, educator certification, educator employment trends and needs, and other data deemed relevant by the board <u>using the K-12</u> education data improvement system established under RCW 28A.655.210;
 - (10) Serve as an advisory body to the superintendent of public instruction on issues related to educator recruitment, hiring, mentoring and support, professional growth, retention, educator evaluation including but not limited to peer evaluation, and revocation and suspension of licensure;
 - (11) Submit, by October 15th of each even-numbered year and in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, a joint report with the state board of education to the legislative education committees, the governor, and the superintendent of public instruction. The report shall address the progress the boards have made and the obstacles they have

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- encountered, individually and collectively, in the work of achieving the goals set out in RCW 28A.150.210;
- 3 (12) Establish the prospective teacher assessment system for 4 basic skills and subject knowledge that shall be required to obtain 5 residency certification pursuant to RCW 28A.410.220 through
- 6 28A.410.240; and
- 7 (13) Conduct meetings under the provisions of chapter 42.30 RCW.
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 22.** If specific funding for the purposes of 9 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not 10 provided by June 30, 2023, in the omnibus appropriations act, this 11 act is null and void.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 23. This act may be known and cited as the educator workforce act.

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