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**SENATE BILL 5648**

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**By** Senators Wellman, Randall, Nguyen, Nobles, and C. Wilson

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1 AN ACT Relating to including state-tribal education compact  
2 schools and charter schools as entities able to receive waivers from  
3 the state board of education for certain educational provisions; and  
4 amending RCW 28A.300.750.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.300.750 and 2018 c 177 s 502 are each amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 (1) (a) In accordance with the criteria adopted by the state board  
9 of education under subsection (2) of this section, the superintendent  
10 of public instruction may grant waivers to school districts from the  
11 provisions of RCW 28A.150.200 through 28A.150.220, except as provided  
12 in (b) of this subsection, on the basis that such waiver or waivers  
13 are necessary to implement successfully a local plan to provide for  
14 all students in the district an effective education system that is  
15 designed to enhance the educational program for each student. The  
16 local plan may include alternative ways to provide effective  
17 educational programs for students who experience difficulty with the  
18 regular education program.

19 (b) The state board of education shall have authority to grant  
20 waivers to school districts, state-tribal education compact schools  
21 established under chapter 28A.715 RCW, and charter public schools

1 established under chapter 28A.710 RCW from the provisions of RCW  
2 28A.150.220(3)(b) and to grant the waivers set forth in RCW  
3 28A.230.090(1)(e)(ii) and 28A.655.180.

4 (2) The state board of education shall adopt rules establishing  
5 the criteria to evaluate the need for a waiver or waivers under this  
6 section.

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