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**SENATE BILL 6236**

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**By** Senators Wellman, Hunt, and Nobles

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1 AN ACT Relating to filing a declaration of intent to provide  
2 home-based instruction; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.200  
3 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.200  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) A parent who intends for the parent's child to receive  
8 home-based instruction must file a signed declaration of intent in  
9 the school year when the child turns six years of age and the school  
10 year when the child turns seven years of age. The compulsory  
11 attendance requirements in RCW 28A.225.010 and the home-based  
12 instruction requirements in RCW 28A.200.010 are not applicable until  
13 a child receiving home-based instruction is eight years of age.

14 (2) The signed declaration of intent must include the name and  
15 age of the child and must be written in a format prescribed by the  
16 superintendent of public instruction. Each parent shall file the  
17 declaration of intent by September 15th of the school year or within  
18 two weeks of the beginning of any public school quarter, trimester,  
19 or semester with the superintendent of the public school district  
20 within which the parent resides.

1           (3) For the purposes of this section, "parent" means a parent,  
2 guardian, or person having legal custody of a child.

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