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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1791

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State of Washington

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2022 Regular Session

By House Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Harris and Santos)

1       AN ACT Relating to reprimands for professional educators; adding  
2   a new section to chapter 28A.410 RCW; creating a new section; and  
3   providing an expiration date.

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.410  
6   RCW to read as follows:

7       By December 1, 2023, the Washington professional educator  
8   standards board shall adopt rules providing for reviewing and  
9   vacating reprimands issued to persons with certificates or permits  
10  authorized under this chapter or chapter 28A.405 RCW.

11       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 2.**   (1) Beginning within 90 days of the  
12  adoption of the rules, the superintendent of public instruction shall  
13  make reasonable efforts to contact each person with a certificate or  
14  permit authorized under chapters 28A.410 and 28A.405 RCW, who was  
15  issued a reprimand between January 1, 2007, and the date of adoption  
16  of the rules, and whose reprimand is eligible for vacating under the  
17  rules.

18       (2) By July 1, 2025, and in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, the  
19  office of the superintendent of public instruction shall report to  
20  the appropriate committees of the legislature with an update on the

1 progress made towards meeting the requirement in subsection (1) of  
2 this section and on the number of people with a certificate or permit  
3 authorized under chapters 28A.410 and 28A.405 RCW who have had a  
4 reprimand vacated under the rules.

5 (3) For the purposes of this section, "rules" means rules  
6 providing for reviewing and vacating reprimands adopted as required  
7 by section 1 of this act.

8 (4) This section expires on June 30, 2026.

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