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Title 28A. Common School Provisions (Refs & Annos)

Name Chapter 28A.630. Temporary Provisions--Special Projects

Pilot Project for Children in Foster Care

- → 28A.630.005. Pilot project to assist school-age children in short-term foster care
- (1) The Nooksack Valley and Mount Vernon school districts shall implement a pilot project within existing resources to assist school-age children in foster care fewer than seventy-five days to continue attending the school where they were enrolled before entering foster care. The pilot project shall be implemented as provided in this section no later than April 30, 2002, and shall conclude June 30, 2003. Data from the pilot project shall be compiled and submitted to the working group established in RCW 28A.300.800 no later than July 30, 2002, and periodically thereafter.
- (2) For the purposes of the pilot project in the two school districts, the department of social and health services and the school districts shall, as appropriate, undertake the following activities:
- (a) A school-age child who enters foster care on or after April 30, 2002, shall, unless it is determined to be not in the best interest of the child, continue attending the school where she or he was enrolled before entering foster care, notwithstanding the physical location of the child's principal abode. The best interest of the child determination shall be made at the seventy-two hour shelter care hearing, and reviewed at any subsequent shelter care hearing.
- (b) The department of social and health services, the school the child was attending prior to entering foster care, and the school that serves the child's foster home shall negotiate a plan for transporting the child to the school the child was attending prior to entering foster care. The department of social and health services shall not be responsible for the cost of transportation of the children in the pilot project.
- (c) If the department of social and health services places a child in foster care, and the child does not continue to attend the school the child was attending prior to entering foster care, the department shall notify the school about the change.

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HISTORICAL AND STATUTORY NOTES

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