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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5899**

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**State of Washington**

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**By** Senate Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Senators Pelz, A. Smith, Moore, Wojahn, von Reichbauer, Skratek, Quigley, Talmadge, Niemi, Erwin, Prentice and Winsley)

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1 AN ACT Relating to compensation systems for educational employees;  
2 and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that the current  
5 compensation system for educational employees does not recognize  
6 variations in the cost of living throughout the state.

7 (2) The legislative evaluation and accountability program committee  
8 shall develop a model or models for calculating and updating a  
9 compensation system for educational employees based upon regional  
10 differences in the cost of living. In the model or models, the state  
11 shall be divided into not more than six different geographic regions  
12 based upon differences in the cost of living. In developing the model  
13 or models, the committee may study issues including but not limited to:  
14 Verifying and updating cost-of-living factors presently offered by  
15 state and federal agencies, examining and verifying regional  
16 differences in cost of living, evaluating other compensation models and  
17 studies from outside Washington, and providing an analysis and  
18 recommendations including cost estimates for implementing a  
19 compensation system for educational employees based upon regional

1 differences in the cost of living. The model or models shall be  
2 presented to the legislature by January 15, 1994.

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