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SENATE BILL 6153

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By Senators McAuliffe and Chase

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1 AN ACT Relating to school attendance of children whose parents or  
2 guardians receive state assistance; adding a new section to chapter  
3 43.20A RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.20A RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 The department of social and health services shall review the rules  
8 of all programs that provide state assistance and require all  
9 recipients of state assistance who are parents or legal guardians of a  
10 school-aged child or whose school-aged child receives state assistance  
11 to ensure regular school attendance by their children as a condition  
12 for receiving any state assistance, if adding such criteria does not  
13 jeopardize the receipt of any federal funding. For the purposes of  
14 this section, it is sufficient for a parent of a student receiving  
15 home-based instruction to show that the annual declaration of intent  
16 for the student to receive home-based instruction has been filed for  
17 the relevant year in accordance with RCW 28A.200.010.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**    This act is necessary for the immediate  
2    preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
3    state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
4    immediately.

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