CHAPTER 105

[House Bill No. 430]

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICIES, STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT—RECOMMENDATION SUBMITTAL DATES

AN ACT Relating to the Temporary Committee on Educational Policies, Structure and Management; amending section 2, chapter 33, Laws of 1982 1st ex. sess. (uncodified); and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 2, chapter 33, Laws of 1982 1st ex. sess. (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

There is hereby created the Temporary Committee on Educational Policies, Structure and Management which shall consist of thirteen citizen members, appointed by the governor, each of whom shall apply for membership and demonstrate his or her concern and interest in all of education, one member from each political party of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house, and one member from each political party of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

The temporary committee shall undertake a general review of the entire structure of Washington education, its strengths and areas needed for improvement, and make a report on its findings to the governor, the legislature and the citizens of the state.

In addition to the examination of those questions raised in section 1 ((of this act)), chapter 33, Laws of 1982 1st ex. sess., this review shall include:

- (1) An emphasis on the educational progression of the student;
- (2) An examination of the current educational components with particular attention directed to their interrelationships, obstacles to student mobility and progression, and how the system or its components might be improved;
- (3) Examination of the educational goals of the components and a determination of their intended interrelationships;
- (4) Determination of the extent of duplication of educational services in both the vocational and academic areas, the extent to which such duplication may be unwarranted, and proposed corrections;
- (5) Consideration of the nature and extent of any benefits, including those pertaining to student access, progression, and learning, improved information, and cost reduction, as well as any disadvantages, that might accrue from structural reorganization in Washington education;
- (6) An emphasis on the education of children in kindergarten through second grade, with particular reference to new information and research on the effectiveness of early childhood education;
- (7) Consideration of the state's responsibility to make ample provisions for K-12 education, including alternative methods of funding staff costs,

alternative approaches to levy limitation, incentive approaches to encouraging effective responsible decision-making at the local level, and the optimum use of the ideas and talents of teachers, administrators and citizens; and

(8) In regard to postsecondary education, the committee shall take into consideration the policy and planning studies or reports of the council for postsecondary education, and shall utilize to extent possible the data and findings of such council's studies and reports. In adopting a work program or prioritizing the areas for review or study, the committee shall determine whether actual or pending studies of such council have sufficiently examined the areas of concern to the committee, with the intent being to avoid unnecessary duplication of effort between the committee and the council.

The committee's first responsibilities shall be to identify priority areas and to prepare to address them in a phased-in manner. Furthermore, as areas are addressed, the committee shall seek out and highlight programs that are working and shall also make use of testimony and reports from those who have studied or who now are studying education in Washington. The committee's initial recommendations shall be made public as soon as possible. Those recommendations shall then be made to the governor and to the ((1983)) legislature during the regular legislative session in 1984. The committee shall make its full report and recommendations to the legislature during the regular legislative session in 1985 and shall cease to function at the conclusion of the ((1984 legislature)) regular legislative session in 1985 unless its duties are legislatively continued.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 106

[Substitute House Bill No. 488]
HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS——PREPAID SERVICES——
COVERAGE OF MINORS

AN ACT Relating to health maintenance organizations; amending section 3, chapter 290, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 151, Laws of 1982 and RCW 48.46.020; amending section 4, chapter 290, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 48.46.030; amending section 5, chapter 290, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 48.46.040; amending section 7, chapter 290, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 48.46.060; amending section 8, chapter 290, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 48.46.070; amending section 9, chapter 290, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 48.46.080; amending section 18, chapter 290, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 48.46.170; amending section 4, chapter