may enter a final decision and order in accordance therewith, providing the board finds such agreement is in conformity with the law and the facts.

(2) In order to carry out subsection (1) of this section, the board shall develop expertise to mediate disputes informally. Where possible, industrial appeals judges with a demonstrated history of successfully resolving disputes or who have received training in dispute resolution techniques shall be appointed to perform mediation functions. No industrial appeals judge who mediates in a particular appeal may participate in writing the proposed decision and order in the appeal. This section shall not operate to prevent the board from developing additional methods and procedures to encourage resolution of disputes by agreement or otherwise making efforts to reduce adjudication time.

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CHAPTER 210

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3205]
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES——ACCUMULATION OF LEAVE

AN ACT Relating to accumulation of leave by school employees; and amending RCW 28A.58.099.

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

Sec. 1. Section 3, chapter 275, Laws of 1983 and RCW 28A.58.099 are each amended to read as follows:

Every board of directors, unless otherwise specially provided by law, shall:

- (1) Employ for not more than one year, and for sufficient cause discharge all certificated and noncertificated employees;
- (2) Adopt written policies granting leaves to persons under contracts of employment with the school district(s) in positions requiring either certification or noncertification qualifications, including but not limited to leaves for attendance at official or private institutes and conferences and sabbatical leaves for employees in positions requiring certification qualification, and leaves for illness, injury, bereavement and, emergencies for both certificated and noncertificated employees, and with such compensation as the board of directors prescribe: PROVIDED, That the board of directors shall adopt written policies granting to such persons annual leave with compensation for illness, injury and emergencies as follows:
- (a) For such persons under contract with the school district for a full year, at least ten days;

- (b) For such persons under contract with the school district as part time employees, at least that portion of ten days as the total number of days contracted for bears to one hundred eighty days;
- (c) For certificated and noncertificated employees, annual leave with compensation for illness, injury, and emergencies shall be granted and accrue at a rate not to exceed twelve days per year; provisions of any contract in force on June 12, 1980, which conflict with requirements of this subsection shall continue in effect until contract expiration; after expiration, any new contract executed between the parties shall be consistent with this subsection;
- (d) Compensation for leave for illness or injury actually taken shall be the same as the compensation such person would have received had such person not taken the leave provided in this proviso;
- (e) Leave provided in this proviso not taken shall accumulate from year to year up to a maximum of one hundred eighty days for the purposes of RCW 28A.58.096 and 28A.58.098, and for leave purposes up to a maximum of the number of contract days agreed to in a given contract, but not greater than one year. Such accumulated time may be taken at any time during the school year or up to twelve days per year may be used for the purpose of payments for unused sick leave.
- (f) Sick leave heretofore accumulated under section 1, chapter 195, Laws of 1959 (former RCW 28.58.430) and sick leave accumulated under administrative practice of school districts prior to the effective data of section 1, chapter 195, Laws of 1959 (former RCW 28.58.430) is here y declared valid, and shall be added to leave for illness or injury accumulated under this proviso;
- (g) Any leave for injury or illness accumulated up to a maximum of forty-five days shall be creditable as service rendered for the purpose of determining the time at which an employee is eligible to retire, if such leave is taken it may not be compensated under the provisions of RCW 28A.58.096 and 28A.21.360:
- (h) Accumulated leave under this proviso shall be transferred to and from one district to another, the office of superintendent of public instruction and offices of educational service district superintendents and boards, to and from such districts and such offices;
- (i) Leave accumulated by a person in a district prior to leaving said district may, under rules and regulations of the board, be granted to such person when he returns to the employment of the district.

When any certificated or classified employee leaves one school district within the state and commences employment with another school district within the state, he shall retain the same seniority, leave benefits and other benefits that he had in his previous position. If the school district to which the person transfers has a different system for computing seniority, leave benefits, and other benefits, then the employee shall be granted the same

seniority, leave benefits and other benefits as a person in that district who has similar occupational status and total years of service.

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CHAPTER 211

[House Bill No. 158]

DRIVER FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY LAW——NONCOMPLIANCE— REINSTATEMENT FEE FOLLOWING SUSPENSION

AN ACT Relating to the suspension of drivers' licenses; and amending RCW 46.20.311.

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

- Sec. 1. Section 27, chapter 121, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. as last amended by section 325, chapter 258, Laws of 1984 and RCW 46.20.311 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The department shall not suspend a driver's license or privilege to drive a motor vehicle on the public highways for a fixed period of more than one year, except as permitted under RCW 46.20.342 or 46.61.515. Whenever the license of any person is suspended by reason of a conviction, a finding that a traffic infraction has been committed, pursuant to chapter 46.29 RCW, or pursuant to RCW 46.20.291, the suspension shall remain in effect and the department shall not issue to the person any new, duplicate, or renewal license until the person pays a reinstatement fee of twenty dollars and gives and thereafter maintains proof of financial responsibility for the future as provided in chapter 46.29 RCW. If the suspension is the result of a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504 or was imposed under RCW 46.20.610(1) (a) or (b), the reinstatement fee shall be fifty dollars.
- (2) Any person whose license or privilege to drive a motor vehicle on the public highways has been revoked, unless the revocation was for a cause which has been removed, is not entitled to have the license or privilege renewed or restored until: (a) After the expiration of one year from the date on which the revoked license was surrendered to and received by the department; (b) after the expiration of the applicable revocation period provided by RCW 46.61.515(3) (b) or (c); (c) after the expiration of two years for persons convicted of vehicular homicide; (d) after the expiration of one year in cases of revocation for the first refusal within five years to submit to a chemical test under RCW 46.20.308; or (e) after the expiration of two years in cases of revocation for the second refusal within five years to submit to a chemical test under RCW 46.20.308. After the expiration of the appropriate period, the person may make application for a new license as provided by law together with a reinstatement fee in the amount of twenty