The commission may develop and enter into an agreement with a county to carry out the regulatory functions of this chapter with regard to water companies located within the boundary of that county. The duration of the agreement, the duties to be performed, and the remuneration to be paid by the commission are subject to agreement by the commission and the county.

Passed the House March 14, 1989. Passed the Senate April 12, 1989. Approved by the Governor May 3, 1989. Filed in Office of Secretary of State May 3, 1989.

CHAPTER 208

[Senate Bill No. 5737]
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE DISTRICTS—LEAVE POLICIES

AN ACT Relating to educational service districts; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.21 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 28A.21 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Every educational service district board shall adopt written policies granting leaves to persons under contracts of employment with the district 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, with such compensation as the board prescribes. The board shall adopt written policies granting annual leave with compensation for illness, injury, and emergencies as follows:
- (a) For persons under contract with the district for a full fiscal year, at least ten days;
- (b) For persons under contract with the 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 fiscal year. Provisions of any contract in force on the effective date of this act, 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 the person would have received had the person not taken the leave provided in this section;
- (e) Leave provided in this section not taken shall accumulate from fiscal year to fiscal year up to a maximum of one hundred eighty days for the purposes of RCW 28A.21.360, 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 fiscal year. Such accumulated time may be taken at any time during the fiscal year, or up to twelve days per year may be used for the purpose of payments for unused sick leave; and
- (f) Accumulated leave under this section shall be transferred to educational service districts, school districts, and the office of the superintendent of public instruction, and from any such district or office to another such district or office. An intervening customary summer break in employment or the performance of employment duties shall not preclude such a transfer.
- (2) Leave accumulated by a person in a district prior to leaving the district may, under rules of the board, be granted to the person when the person returns to the employment of the district.
- (3) Leave for illness or injury accumulated before the effective date of this act under the administrative practices of an educational service district, and such leave transferred before the effective date of this act to or from an educational service district, school district, or the office of the superintendent of public instruction under the administrative practices of the district or office, is declared valid and shall be added to such leave for illness or injury accumulated after the effective date of this act.

Passed the Senate March 15, 1989.

Passed the House April 13, 1989.

Approved by the Governor May 3, 1989.

Filed in Office of Secretary of State May 3, 1989.

CHAPTER 209

[Senate Bill No. 5738]

STUDENT MOTIVATION, RETENTION, AND RETRIEVAL PROGRAMS

AN ACT Relating to the development of student motivation, retention, and retrieval programs; amending RCW 28A.120.062 and 28A.120.064; and repealing RCW 28A.120.066.

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

- Sec. 1. Section 214, chapter 518, Laws of 1987 and RCW 28A.120.062 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The superintendent of public instruction is authorized and shall grant funds to selected school districts to assist in the development of student motivation, retention, and retrieval programs for youth who are at risk of dropping out of school or who have dropped out of school. The purpose of