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1 AN ACT Relating to air quality in newly constructed or modernized
2 school facilities; and amending RCW 70.162.050.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.162.050 and 1989 c 315 s 6 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) The superintendent of public instruction (~~may~~) shall
7 implement a model indoor air quality program in a school district
8 selected by the superintendent.

9 (2) The superintendent shall ensure that the model program
10 includes:

11 (a) An initial evaluation by an indoor air quality expert of the
12 current indoor air quality in the school district. The evaluation
13 shall be completed within ninety days after the beginning of the school
14 year;

15 (b) Establishment of procedures to ensure the maintenance and
16 operation of any ventilation and filtration system used. These
17 procedures shall be implemented within thirty days of the initial
18 evaluation;

1 (c) A reevaluation by an indoor air quality expert, to be conducted
2 approximately two hundred seventy days after the initial evaluation;
3 and

4 (d) The implementation of other procedures or plans that the
5 superintendent deems necessary to implement the model program.

6 (3) The superintendent shall make a report by December 1, 1990, to
7 the appropriate committees of the legislature that includes:

8 (a) A summary and evaluation of the model program;

9 (b) An evaluation of the adequacy of mechanical ventilation and
10 filtration systems used in public schools; and

11 (c) Recommendations to ensure acceptable indoor air quality in all
12 public schools.

13 (4) The superintendent shall adopt rules to ensure that school
14 districts adequately ventilate newly constructed or modernized school
15 facilities before occupancy to flush-out toxic airborne contaminants
16 emitted from building materials and furniture.

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