
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5404

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By Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Rivers, Llias, Zeiger, Wellman, Keiser, Fain, Kuderer, and Carlyle)

1 AN ACT Relating to sunscreen in schools; adding a new section to
2 chapter 28A.210 RCW; creating new sections; and declaring an
3 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 28A.210
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) Any person, including students, parents, and school
8 personnel, may possess and apply topical sunscreen products to help
9 prevent sunburn while on school property, at a school-related event
10 or activity, or at summer camp. A sunscreen product may be possessed
11 and applied under this section without the prescription or note of a
12 licensed health care professional if the product is regulated by the
13 United States food and drug administration for over-the-counter use.
14 For student use, a sunscreen product must be supplied by a parent or
15 guardian.

16 (2) Schools are encouraged to educate students about sun safety
17 guidelines.

18 (3) Nothing in this section requires school personnel to assist
19 students in applying sunscreen.

1 (4) As used in this section, "school" means a public school,
2 school district, educational service district, or private school with
3 any of grades kindergarten through twelve.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act does not create any civil
5 liability on the part of the state or any state agency, officer,
6 employee, agent, political subdivision, or school district.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act may be known and cited as the
8 student sun safety education act.

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

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