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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5719**

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**By** Senate Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Bailey, Baumgartner, Becker, Kohl-Welles, Parlette, Dammeier, Honeyford, Fain, Fraser, Darneille, McAuliffe, Pearson, Angel, Keiser, Chase, Sheldon, Hill, Jayapal, and Frockt)

READ FIRST TIME 02/13/15.

1            AN ACT Relating to creating a task force on campus sexual  
2 violence prevention; creating a new section; and providing an  
3 expiration date.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    (1) The Washington student achievement  
6 council, the state board for community and technical colleges, the  
7 council of presidents, the institutions of higher education, the  
8 private independent higher education institutions, state law  
9 enforcement, and the Washington attorney general's office shall  
10 collaborate to carry out the following goals:

11            (a) Develop a set of best practices that institutions of higher  
12 education and private independent higher education institutions may  
13 employ to promote the awareness of campus sexual violence, reduce the  
14 occurrence of campus sexual violence, and enhance student safety;

15            (b) Develop recommendations for institutions of higher education  
16 and private independent higher education institutions for improving  
17 institutional campus sexual violence policies and procedures; and

18            (c) Develop recommendations for improving collaboration on campus  
19 sexual violence issues among institutions of higher education and  
20 between institutions of higher education and law enforcement.

1 (2) The task force on preventing campus sexual violence is  
2 established.

3 (a) The task force includes the following members:

4 (i) One representative from the student achievement council;

5 (ii) One representative from the state board for community and  
6 technical colleges;

7 (iii) One representative from the council of presidents;

8 (iv) One representative from each of the state universities, the  
9 regional universities, and the state college, who is the Title IX  
10 coordinator or who has expertise with Title IX and sexual violence  
11 prevention efforts;

12 (v) One representative from the Washington association of  
13 sheriffs and police chiefs;

14 (vi) One representative from the independent colleges of  
15 Washington;

16 (vii) One representative from the nonprofit community who is an  
17 advocate for sexual assault victims;

18 (viii) One representative from the Washington state attorney  
19 general's office; and

20 (ix) One representative from the Washington association of  
21 prosecuting attorneys.

22 (b) The task force shall select a coordinator to facilitate its  
23 progress.

24 (c) The purpose of the task force is to coordinate and implement  
25 the goals in subsection (1) of this section.

26 (3) The task force shall report to the legislature and the  
27 institutions of higher education on its goals and recommendations  
28 annually by December 31st.

29 (4) For the purposes of this section, "institutions of higher  
30 education" has the same meaning as in RCW 28B.10.016.

31 (5) To select the representative from the nonprofit community, as  
32 required by subsection (2)(a)(vii) of this section, the student  
33 achievement council shall issue a request for interest to nonprofit  
34 communities that are sexual assault victim advocates, asking who  
35 wishes to participate on the task force as a volunteer. The names and  
36 resumes, including experience participating in similar efforts, of  
37 proposed task force members must be submitted to the student  
38 achievement council. The student achievement council shall give this  
39 information to the task force and the task force chairs must select  
40 the representative from this pool of candidates.

1 (6) This section expires July 1, 2017.

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