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Senate Bill 213 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Shirley Johnson
Committee: Education

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Revised School Code to:

- Permit the board of a school district or an intermediate school district (ISD) to enter into a contract with a person or entity for it to furnish substitute teachers to the school district or ISD as needed to carry out its operations.
- Specify provisions that would have to be included in a contract to furnish substitute teachers.
- Exempt substitute teachers from the Code's provisions on hiring and contracting with qualified teachers, including a requirement that a person hold a valid teaching certificate when a contract begins.
- Exempt substitute teachers who were employed by or under contract with a person or entity that contracted with a district or ISD, from the Code's provisions on leave time, salary, and hiring privileges for substitute teachers.
- Permit a district or ISD that contracted for substitute teachers to purchase liability insurance.

A contract would have to include the following provisions:

- Assurance that the person or entity would furnish the school district or ISD with qualified teachers in accordance with the Code and rules promulgated under it.
- Assurance that the person or entity would not furnish to the school district or ISD any teacher who, if employed directly by the school district or ISD, would be ineligible for employment as a substitute teacher under the Code.
- A description of the level of compensation and fringe benefits to be provided to employees of the person or entity who were assigned to the school district or ISD as substitute teachers.
- A description of the type and amounts of insurance coverage to be secured and maintained by the person or entity and the school district or ISD under the contract.

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Legislative Analyst: C. Layman

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State government.

Districts or ISDs choosing to purchase liability insurance for contracted substitute teachers would incur the total cost of that insurance and would purchase such insurance with their general fund operating revenues. The remaining proposals in the bill would have no fiscal impact.

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