EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF BUDGET

Total budget expenditures for each fund as adopted in the budget shall constitute the appropriations of the district for the ensuing fiscal year. The school board shall be limited in the incurring of expenditures to the grand total of such appropriations.

School board members, administrators or staff who knowingly or negligently violate or participate in a violation of this policy by incurring expenditures in excess of appropriations shall be held civilly liable, jointly and severally, for such expenditures, including consequential damages, for each such violation. If as a result of any civil or criminal action the violation is found to have been done knowingly, such board member, administrator or staff member who is found to have participated in such breach shall immediately forfeit his/her office or employment.

In the event of an emergency requiring expenditures in excess of the budget, the school board may adopt a resolution which states the conditions constituting the emergency and the amount of the appropriation necessary to correct the situation. At any other time that the budget is to be increased by making an additional appropriation, the school board, after proper notice, shall adopt a resolution stating the facts and the amount of appropriation necessary to correct the situation. Any person may appear at the meeting at which the appropriation resolution is to be voted on and may be heard for or against the adoption.

Legal References: RCW 28A.225.250 Voluntary, tuition-free attendance programs among school districts, scope--Rules and regulations

28A.505.150 Budgeted expenditures as appropriations--Interim expenditures--Transfer between budget classes--Liability for non-budgeted expenditures

28A.505.170 First class school districts--Emergency or additional appropriation resolutions--Procedure

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