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TO: Stanwood-Camano Board of Directors

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SUBJECT: Second Reading, Board Policy 5315 Garnishment and Personal Credit Problems

DATE: February 6, 2024

TYPE: Action Required

The Washington State School Directors Association (WSSDA) has recommended updates to policy 5315, Garnishment and Personal Credit Problems. Policy 5315 was brought before the board for a first reading on January 16th. The Board moved revised policy 5315 forward for a second reading.

Recommendation: We recommend the board approve the second reading of revised policy 5315 on Garnishment and Personal Credit Problems.

GARNISHMENT AND PERSONAL CREDIT PROBLEMS

When so ordered by the superior and district courts, the U.S. Secretary of Education or the Secretary's guaranty agency (in the case of defaulted student loans), the district will shall comply with the directives of a Writ of Garnishment filed against a staff member of the district. Each garnishment or action for collection of debts will be reviewed by the superintendent and such information will become a part of the record of the staff member. Attempts will be made to counsel or prove a referral for any such staff member with regard to the staff member's financial problems. The district will shall not discharge a staff member for the reason that a creditor of the staff member has subjected or attempted to subject unpaid earnings of the employee to a writ of wage garnishment directed to the district. This provision will shall not apply if the garnishments on three or more separate indebtednesses are served upon the district within any period of twelve (12) consecutive months by the superior or district or or district courts.

Legal References: RCW 6.27.040 State and <u>municipal</u> public corporations

subject to garnishment - Service of writ

6.27.170 Garnished employee not to be discharged—

Exception

Adoption Date: 3.15.04

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Revision Date: 2.06.24