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HOUSE BILL 1305

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By Representatives Orcutt, Haigh, Rivers, Haler, and Armstrong

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- AN ACT Relating to the time limit for state officials to solicit or accept contributions; reenacting and amending RCW 42.17.710 and 42.17A.560; providing an effective date; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

postmarked prior to the thirtieth day before the session.

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- 6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.17.710 and 2006 c 348 s 5 and 2006 c 344 s 31 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) During the period beginning on the thirtieth day before the date a regular legislative session convenes and continuing ((through)) thirty days past the date of final adjournment, and during the period beginning on the date a special legislative session convenes and continuing through the date that session adjourns, no state official or a person employed by or acting on behalf of a state official or state legislator may solicit or accept contributions to a public office fund, to a candidate or authorized committee, or to retire a campaign debt. Contributions received through the mail after the thirtieth day before a regular legislative session may be accepted if the contribution is

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- 1 (2) This section does not apply to activities authorized in RCW 43.07.370.
- 3 Sec. 2. RCW 42.17A.560 and 2006 c 348 s 5 and 2006 c 344 s 31 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 5 (1) During the period beginning on the thirtieth day before the date a regular legislative session convenes and continuing ((through)) 6 thirty days past the date of final adjournment, and during the period 7 beginning on the date a special legislative session convenes and 8 continuing through the date that session adjourns, no state official or 9 10 a person employed by or acting on behalf of a state official or state 11 legislator may solicit or accept contributions to a public office fund, 12 to a candidate or authorized committee, or to retire a campaign debt. Contributions received through the mail after the thirtieth day before 13 14 a regular legislative session may be accepted if the contribution is postmarked prior to the thirtieth day before the session. 15
- 16 (2) This section does not apply to activities authorized in RCW 43.07.370.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. Section 1 of this act expires January 1, 2012.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Section 2 of this act takes effect January 1, 2012.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Section 1 of this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

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