HOUSE BILL 2587

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By Representatives Romero, Upthegrove, Miloscia, Schindler, Dunn and Ogden

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1 AN ACT Relating to time limits for investigations by the public 2 disclosure commission; and amending RCW 42.17.410.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.17.410 and 1982 c 147 s 18 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 (1) In all complaints in which the commission has jurisdiction, the 7 commission must issue charges within one hundred twenty days from the 8 date the complaint was first received, unless extended as provided in 9 this subsection, or the complaint is deemed dismissed with prejudice. 10 An extension may be permitted if agreed to by the complaining party, 11 the accused, and the commission. The commission may also grant a 12 single sixty-day extension upon a showing of just cause.

13 (2) Any <u>legal</u> action brought under the provisions of this chapter 14 must be commenced within five years after the date when the violation 15 occurred.

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