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- On page 2, after line 29, insert the following:
- 2 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 30.04 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) A creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007 may consider whether any person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007, in connection with an application for or an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall not be an 10 unfair practice or a denial of civil rights for a creditor, as defined 11 12 in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007, to refuse to 13 offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to 14 otherwise place restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007, 15 16 offered to or entered into with a covered member or dependent because such person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. 17 18 Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007. Nothing in this subsection permits any such creditor to refuse to offer, to deny, 19 to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place 20 21 restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, to a covered member 22 or dependent, based upon status protected by chapter 49.60 RCW other 23 than the honorably discharged veteran or military status of the covered 24 member or dependent.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 31.04 RCW to read as follows:
- 27 (1) A creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists 28 on April 1, 2007 may consider whether any person is a covered member or 29 dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each

exists on April 1, 2007, in connection with an application for or an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007.

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(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall not be an 4 5 unfair practice or a denial of civil rights for a creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007, to refuse to 6 7 offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, as 8 defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007, 9 offered to or entered into with a covered member or dependent because 10 such person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. 11 Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007. Nothing in 12 this subsection permits any such creditor to refuse to offer, to deny, 13 to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place 14 restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, to a covered member 15 16 or dependent, based upon status protected by chapter 49.60 RCW other 17 than the honorably discharged veteran or military status of the covered member or dependent. 18

19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 31.12 RCW 20 to read as follows:

- (1) A creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007 may consider whether any person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007, in connection with an application for or an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall not be an unfair practice or a denial of civil rights for a creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007, to refuse to offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007, offered to or entered into with a covered member or dependent because such person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007. Nothing in this subsection permits any such creditor to refuse to offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place

- 1 restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, to a covered member
- or dependent, based upon status protected by chapter 49.60 RCW other
- 3 than the honorably discharged veteran or military status of the covered
- 4 member or dependent.

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- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 31.45 RCW 6 to read as follows:
 - (1) A creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007 may consider whether any person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007, in connection with an application for or an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall not be an 13 unfair practice or a denial of civil rights for a creditor, as defined 14 15 in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007, to refuse to 16 offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to 17 otherwise place restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007, 18 offered to or entered into with a covered member or dependent because 19 20 such person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. 21 Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007. Nothing in 22 this subsection permits any such creditor to refuse to offer, to deny, 23 to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place 24 restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, to a covered member or dependent, based upon status protected by chapter 49.60 RCW other 25 26 than the honorably discharged veteran or military status of the covered 27 member or dependent.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 32.08 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) A creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007 may consider whether any person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007, in connection with an application for or an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall not be an 1 2 unfair practice or a denial of civil rights for a creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007, to refuse to 3 offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to 4 otherwise place restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, as 5 defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007, 6 7 offered to or entered into with a covered member or dependent because such person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. 8 Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007. Nothing in 9 10 this subsection permits any such creditor to refuse to offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place 11 restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, to a covered member 12 13 or dependent, based upon status protected by chapter 49.60 RCW other 14 than the honorably discharged veteran or military status of the covered 15 member or dependent.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 33.12 RCW to read as follows:

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- (1) A creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007 may consider whether any person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007, in connection with an application for or an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall not be an unfair practice or a denial of civil rights for a creditor, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(5) as it exists on April 1, 2007, to refuse to offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(6) as it exists on April 1, 2007, offered to or entered into with a covered member or dependent because such person is a covered member or dependent, as defined in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 987(i)(1) and (2) as each exists on April 1, 2007. Nothing in this subsection permits any such creditor to refuse to offer, to deny, to offer different terms and conditions, or to otherwise place restrictions upon an extension of consumer credit, to a covered member or dependent, based upon status protected by chapter 49.60 RCW other

- than the honorably discharged veteran or military status of the covered
- 2 member or dependent."

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On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "Relating to the" strike the remainder of the title and insert "extension of credit; amending RCW 31.04.125; adding a new section to chapter 30.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 31.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 31.12 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 31.45 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 32.08 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 33.12 RCW."

The John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 and the Talent Amendment thereto (10 U.S.C. Sec. 987) prohibit creditors from imposing an annual percentage rate of interest greater than 36% with respect to consumer credit extended to active duty service members and their dependents.

Using the definitions from this federal act, this amendment:

- (1) Allows creditors to consider an applicant's military status in connection with an application for consumer credit; and
- (2) Allows creditors to refuse, deny, or restrict consumer credit to active duty service members and their dependents without violating laws concerning unfair practices or civil rights.

The creditors covered by this amendment are those licensed as banks, trust companies, credit unions, check cashers and sellers, mutual savings banks, savings and loan associations, and those doing business under the Consumer Loan Act.

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