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- 1 AN ACT Relating to passenger train crew size; and amending RCW
- 2 81.40.010.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 81.40.010 and 1961 c 14 s 81.40.010 are each amended
- 5 to read as follows:

State of Washington

- 6 ((It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation, company, or
- 7 officer of court operating any railroad or railway, or part of any
- railroad or railway, in the state of Washington, and engaged, as a 8
- 9 common carrier, in the transportation of freight or passengers, to
- 10 operate over its road or any part thereof, or suffer or permit to be
- 11 run over its road outside of the yard limits, any passenger, mail or
- 12 express train consisting of four or more cars with less than a full
- 13 passenger crew consisting of five men, to wit: one engineer, one
- 14 fireman, one conductor, one brakeman and one flagman (said flagman to

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- 1 have had at least one year's experience in train service) and none of
- 2 the said crew shall be required or permitted to perform the duties of
- 3 train baggageman or express messenger while on the road)) No law or
- 4 order of any regulatory agency of this state shall prevent a common
- 5 <u>carrier by railroad from staffing its passenger trains in accordance</u>
- 6 with collective bargaining agreements or any applicable settlement of
- 7 <u>train crew size</u>.