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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the legislature to
8 consolidate mail functions for state government in a manner that will
9 provide timely, effective, efficient, and less-costly mail service for
10 state government.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW
12 to read as follows:

13 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
14 this section apply throughout this section and section 3 of this act.

15 (1) "Consolidated mail service" means incoming, outgoing, and
16 internal mail processing.

17 (2) "Department" means the department of general administration.

18 (3) "Director" means the director of the department of general
19 administration.

20 (4) "Agency" means:

21 (a) The office of the governor; and

22 (b) Any office, department, board, commission, or other separate
23 unit or division, however designated, of the state government, together
24 with all personnel thereof: Upon which the statutes confer powers and
25 impose duties in connection with operations of either a governmental or
26 proprietary nature; and that has as its chief executive officer a
27 person or combination of persons such as a commission, board, or
28 council, by law empowered to operate it, responsible either to: (i) No
29 other public officer or (ii) the governor.

30 (5) "Incoming mail" means mail, packages, or similar items received
31 by an agency, through the United States postal service, private carrier
32 services, or other courier services.

33 (6) "Outgoing mail" means mail, packages, or similar items
34 processed for agencies to be sent through the United States postal
35 service, private carrier services, or other courier services.

1 (7) "Internal mail" means interagency mail, packages, or similar
2 items that are delivered or to be delivered to a state agency, the
3 legislature, the supreme court, or the court of appeals, and their
4 officers and employees.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The director shall establish a consolidated mail service to handle
8 all incoming, outgoing, and internal mail in the 98504 zip code area or
9 successor zip code areas for agencies in the Olympia, Tumwater, and
10 Lacey area. The director may include additional geographic areas
11 within the consolidated mail service, based upon his or her
12 determination. The department shall also provide mail services to
13 legislative and judicial agencies in the Olympia, Tumwater, and Lacey
14 area upon request.

15 The director may bill state agencies and other entities
16 periodically for mail services rendered.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** All employees of any state agency who are
18 employed exclusively or principally in performing the powers, duties,
19 or functions assigned to the department pursuant to section 3 of this
20 act, may be transferred to the department of general administration.
21 The office of financial management shall determine the number of
22 employees to be transferred for efficient operation of the mail
23 service. Upon such transfer to the department of general
24 administration, such employees shall continue to be governed by the
25 provisions of chapter 41.06 RCW, the state civil service law, and shall
26 retain their permanent or probationary status together with all rights,
27 privileges, and immunities attaching thereto.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The department, in cooperation with the
29 office of financial management, shall review current and prospective
30 needs of state agencies for any equipment to process mail throughout
31 state government. If after such consultation, the department should
32 find that the economy, efficiency, or effectiveness of state government
33 would be improved by such a transfer or other disposition, then the
34 property shall be transferred or otherwise disposed.

35 After making such finding, the department shall direct the
36 transfer of existing state property, facilities, and equipment

1 pertaining to the consolidated mail service or United States postal
2 service. Any dispute concerning the benefits in state governmental
3 economy, efficiency, and effectiveness shall be resolved by the office
4 of financial management.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** This act is necessary for the immediate
6 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
7 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
8 effect July 1, 1993."

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