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By Representatives G. Cole and King; by request of Attorney General Read first time 01/21/94. Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

- AN ACT Relating to sellers of travel; amending RCW 19.138.010,
- 2 19.138.030, 19.138.040, and 19.138.050; adding a new chapter to Title
- 3 19 RCW; repealing RCW 19.138.020, 19.138.060, 19.138.070, and
- 4 19.138.080; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.138.010 and 1986 c 283 s 1 are each amended to read 7 as follows:
- 8 The legislature finds and declares that advertising, sales, and
- 9 business practices of certain ((travel charter or tour operators))
- 10 <u>sellers of travel</u> have worked financial hardship upon the people of
- 11 this state; that the travel business has a significant impact upon the
- 12 economy and well-being of this state and its people; that problems have
- 13 arisen regarding certain ((segments of the travel charter or tour
- 14 operator business)) sales of travel; and that the public welfare
- 15 requires regulation of ((travel charter or tour operators)) sellers of
- 16 travel in order to eliminate unfair advertising, sales and business
- 17 practices. The legislature further finds it necessary to establish
- 18 standards that will safeguard the people against financial hardship and
- 19 to encourage fair dealing and prosperity in the travel business.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 4 (1) "Department" means the department of licensing.
- 5 (2) "Director" means the director of licensing or the director's 6 designee.
- 7 (3) "Seller of travel" means a person, firm, or corporation both 8 inside and outside the state of Washington, who transacts business with 9 Washington consumers, including, but not limited to, travel agencies, who sell, provide, furnish contracts for, arrange, or advertise, either 10 11 directly or indirectly, by any means or method, to arrange or book any travel services including travel reservations or accommodations, 12 13 tickets for domestic or foreign travel by air, rail, ship, bus, or other medium of transportation or hotel or other lodging accommodation 14 15 and vouchers or coupons to be redeemed for future travel or 16 accommodations for a fee, commission, or other valuable consideration.
- 17 (a) "Seller of travel" includes a travel agent and any person who
 18 is an independent contractor or outside agent for a travel agency or
 19 other seller of travel whose principal duties include consulting with
 20 and advising persons concerning travel arrangements or accommodations
 21 in the conduct or administration of its business. If a seller of
 22 travel is employed by a seller of travel who is registered under this
 23 chapter, the employee need not also be registered.
 - (b) "Seller of travel" does not include:
- 25 (i) An air carrier;

- 26 (ii) An ocean carrier;
- 27 (iii) A motor carrier;
- 28 (iv) A rail carrier;
- 29 (v) A charter party carrier; or
- 30 (vi) An auto transportation carrier.
- 31 (4) "Travel services" includes transportation by air, sea, or rail 32 ground transportation, hotel or any lodging accommodations, or package 33 tours, whether offered or sold on a wholesale or retail basis.
- (5) "Advertisement" includes, but is not limited to, a written or graphic representation in a card, brochure, newspaper, magazine, directory listing, or display, and oral, written, or graphic representations made by radio, television, or cable transmission that relates to travel services.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. No person, firm, or corporation may act or hold itself out as a seller of travel unless, prior to engaging in the business of selling or advertising to sell travel services, the person, firm, or corporation registers with the director under this chapter and
- 6 (1) The registration number must be conspicuously posted in the 7 place of business and must be included in all advertisements.
- 8 (2) The director shall issue duplicate registrations upon payment 9 of a nominal duplicate registration fee to valid registration holders 10 operating more than one office.
- 11 (3) No registration is assignable or transferable.

rules adopted under this chapter.

- 12 (4) If a registered seller of travel sells his or her business, 13 when the new owner becomes responsible for the business, the new owner
- 14 must comply with all provisions of this chapter, including
- 15 registration.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. An application for registration as a seller of travel shall be submitted in the form prescribed by rule by the director, and shall contain but not be limited to the following:
- 19 (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the seller of 20 travel;
- 21 (2) Proof that the seller of travel holds a valid business license 22 in the state of its principal state of business;
 - (3) A copy of the bond required by section 7 of this act;
- 24 (4) A special report prepared and signed by a licensed public 25 accountant or certified public accountant verifying that the seller of travel maintains a trust account at a federally insured institution 26 27 located in the state of Washington, the location and number of that trust account, and verifying that the account is maintained and used as 28 29 required by section 8 of this act. The director, by rule, may permit 30 alternatives to the special report that provides for at least the same level of verification. 31
- 32 (5) A registration fee in an amount determined under RCW 43.24.086.
- 33 (6) The name, address, and social security numbers of all employees 34 covered by the seller of travel's registration. The seller of travel 35 must notify the department of any changes of employment status within 36 forty-five days of the change.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. (1) Each seller of travel shall renew its registration on or before July 1 of every other year or as otherwise determined by the director.
- 4 (2) Renewal of a registration is subject to the same provisions 5 covering issuance, suspension, and revocation of a registration 6 originally issued.
- 7 (3) The director may refuse to renew a registration for any of the 8 grounds set out under section 6 of this act, and where the past conduct 9 of the applicant affords reasonable grounds for belief that the 10 applicant will not carry out the applicant's duties in accordance with law and with integrity and honesty. The director shall promptly notify 11 the applicant in writing by certified mail of its intent to refuse to 12 13 renew the registration. The registrant may, within twenty-one days after receipt of that notice or intent, request a hearing on the 14 15 The director may permit the registrant to honor commitments already made to its customers, but no new commitments may be incurred, 16 17 unless the director is satisfied that all new commitments are completely bonded or secured to insure that the general public is 18 19 protected from loss of money paid to the registrant. It is the 20 responsibility of the registrant to contest the decision regarding imposed or registration denied through the process 21 22 established by the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. (1) The director may deny, suspend, or revoke the registration of a seller of travel if the director finds that the applicant:
- (a) Was previously the holder of a registration issued under this chapter, and the registration was revoked for cause and never reissued by the director, or the registration was suspended for cause and the terms of the suspension have not been fulfilled;
- 30 (b) Has been found guilty of a felony within the past five years 31 involving moral turpitude, or of a misdemeanor concerning fraud or 32 conversion, of suffers a judgment in a civil action involving willful 33 fraud, misrepresentation, or conversion;
- (c) Has made a false statement of a material fact in an application under this chapter or in data attached to it;
- 36 (d) Has violated this chapter or failed to comply with a rule 37 adopted by the director under this chapter;

- 1 (e) Has failed to display the registration as provided in this 2 chapter;
- 3 (f) Has published or circulated a statement with the intent to 4 deceive, misrepresent, or mislead the public;
- 5 (g) Has committed a fraud or fraudulent practice in the operation 6 and conduct of a travel agency business, including, but not limited to, 7 intentionally misleading advertising; or
- 8 (h) Has aided or abetted a person, firm, or corporation that they 9 know has not registered in this state in the business of conducting a 10 travel agency or other sale of travel.
- 11 (2) If the seller of travel is found in violation of this chapter 12 or in violation of the consumer protection act, chapter 19.86 RCW, by 13 the entry of a judgment or by settlement of a claim, the director may 14 revoke the registration of the seller of travel, and the director may 15 reinstate the registration at the director's discretion.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. Each registrant shall file and maintain a surety bond, in an amount of not greater than thirty thousand dollars nor less than ten thousand dollars that the director deems adequate to protect the public interest, executed by the applicant as obligor and by a surety company authorize to do business in this state.
- 21 (1) The director may establish by rule a schedule establishing a 22 range of bond amounts that shall vary according to the proven financial 23 stability of the seller of travel, the volume of business of the seller 24 of travel, and other factors deemed relevant by the director.
- (2) The bond shall run to the state of Washington as obligee, and shall run to the benefit of the state and a person or persons who suffer loss by reason of the seller of travel's violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter.
- 29 (3) The bond shall be conditioned that the seller of travel will 30 faithfully conform to and abide by this chapter and all rules adopted 31 under this chapter, and shall reimburse all persons who suffer loss by 32 reason of a violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this 33 chapter.
- 34 (4) The bond shall be continuous and may be canceled by the surety 35 upon the surety giving written notice to the director of its intent to 36 cancel the bond. The cancellation shall be effective thirty days after 37 the notice is received by the director.

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- 1 (5) The applicant may obtain the bond directly from the surety or 2 through a group bonding arrangement involving a professional 3 organization comprised of sellers of travel if the arrangement provides 4 at least as much coverage as is required under this section.
- (6) In lieu of a surety bond, the applicant may, upon approval by the director, file with the director a certificate of deposit, an irrevocable letter of credit, or other instrument as approved by the director by rule, drawn in favor of the director for an amount equal to the required bond.
- 10 (7) A person injured by a violation of this chapter may bring an 11 action against the surety bond or approved alternative of the seller of 12 travel who committed the violation or who employed the seller of travel 13 who committed the violation.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. (1) Within three business days of receipt, a seller of travel shall deposit all sums received from a person or entity, for travel services offered by the seller of travel, in a trust account maintained in a federally insured financial institution located in Washington state. Exempted are airline sales made by a seller of travel, when payments for the airline tickets are made through the airline reporting corporation either by cash or credit card sale.
- 21 (2) The trust account required by this section shall be established 22 and maintained for the benefit of any person or entity paying money to 23 the seller of travel. The seller of travel shall not in any manner 24 encumber the amounts in trust and shall not withdraw money from the 25 account except the following amounts may be withdrawn at any time:
- 26 (a) Partial or full payment for travel services to the entity 27 directly providing the travel service;
 - (b) Refunds as required by this chapter;
 - (c) The amount of the sales commission;

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- (d) Interest earned and credited to the trust account; or
- 31 (e) Remaining funds of a purchaser once all travel services have 32 been provided or once tickets or other similar documentation binding 33 upon the ultimate provider of the travel services have been provided.
- 34 (3) At the time of registration, the seller of travel shall file 35 with the department the account number and the name of the financial 36 institution at which the trust account is held as set forth in section 37 4 of this act. The seller of travel shall notify the department of any

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- 1 change in the account number or location within one business day of the 2 change.
- 3 (4) The director, by rule, may allow for the use of other types of 4 funds or accounts; provided that the protection for consumers is no 5 less than that provided by this section.
- 6 (5) The seller of travel need not comply with the requirements of 7 this section if all of the following apply, except as exempted in 8 section 8(1) of this act:
 - (a) The payment is made by credit card;

- (b) The seller of travel does not deposit, negotiate, or factor the credit card charge or otherwise seek to obtain payment of the credit card charge to any account over which the seller of travel has any control; and
- 14 (c) If the charge includes transportation, the carrier that is to 15 provide the transportation processes the credit card charge, or if the 16 charge is only for services, the provider of services processes the 17 credit card charges.
- 18 (6) If the seller of travel maintains its principal place of business in another state and maintains a trust account in that state consistent with the requirement of this section, and if that seller of travel has transacted business within the state of Washington in an amount exceeding five million dollars for the preceding year, the outof-state trust account may be substituted for the in-state account required under this section.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. A seller of travel shall perform its duties reasonably and with ordinary care in providing travel services.
- 27 **Sec. 10.** RCW 19.138.030 and 1986 c 283 s 3 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
- 29 A ((travel charter or tour operator)) seller of travel shall not advertise that air, sea, or land transportation either separately or in 30 31 conjunction with other services is or may be available unless he or she 32 has, to ((such)) the advertisement, ((received written prior 33 confirmation with a carrier for the transportation advertised)) determined that the product advertised was available at the time the 34 advertising was placed. This determination can be made by the seller 35 of travel either by use of an airline computer reservation system, or 36 37 by written confirmation from the vendor whose program is being advertised.

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- 1 It is the responsibility of the seller of travel to keep written or
- 2 printed documentation of the steps taken to verify that the advertised
- 3 <u>offer was available at the time the advertising was placed. These</u>
- 4 records are to be maintained for at least two years after the placement
- 5 of the advertisement.
- 6 **Sec. 11.** RCW 19.138.040 and 1986 c 283 s 4 are each amended to 7 read as follows:
- 8 At or prior to the time of full or partial payment for air, sea, or
- 9 land transportation or any other services offered by the seller of
- 10 travel ((charter or tour operator)) in conjunction with ((such)) the
- 11 transportation, the <u>seller of</u> travel ((charter or tour operator)) shall
- 12 furnish to the person making the payment a written statement
- 13 conspicuously setting forth the following information:
- 14 (1) The name and business address and telephone number of the
- 15 ((travel charter or tour operator)) seller of travel.
- 16 (2) The amount paid, the date of such payment, the purpose of the
- 17 payment made, and an itemized statement of the balance due, if any.
- 18 (3) The ((location and)) <u>registration</u> number of the ((trust account
- 19 or bond)) seller of travel required by this chapter.
- 20 (4) The name of the ((carrier)) <u>vendor</u> with whom the ((travel)
- 21 charter or tour operator)) seller of travel has contracted to provide
- 22 ((the transportation, the type of equipment contracted, and the date,
- 23 time, and place of each departure: PROVIDED, That the information
- 24 required in this subsection may be provided at the time of final
- 25 payment)) travel arrangements for a consumer and all pertinent
- 26 information relating to the travel as known by the seller of travel at
- 27 the time of booking. The seller of travel will make known further
- 28 details as soon as received from the vendor. All information will be
- 29 provided with final documentation.
- 30 (5) The conditions, if any, upon which the contract between the
- 31 ((travel charter or tour operator)) seller of travel and the passenger
- 32 may be canceled, and the rights and obligations of all parties in the
- 33 event of ((such)) cancellation.
- 34 (6) A statement in eight-point boldface type in substantially the
- 35 following form:
- 36 "If transportation or other services are canceled by the ((travel
- 37 charter or tour operator)) seller of travel, all sums paid to the
- 38 ((travel charter or tour operator)) seller of travel for services not

performed in accordance with the contract between the ((travel charter 1 or tour operator)) seller of travel and the ((passenger)) purchaser 2 will be refunded within ((fourteen)) thirty days ((after the 3 4 cancellation by the travel charter or tour operator to the passenger or 5 the party who contracted for the passenger unless mutually acceptable alternative travel arrangements are provided)) of receiving the funds 6 7 from the vendor with whom the services were arranged, or if the funds 8 were not sent to the vendor, the funds shall be returned within 9 fourteen days after cancellation by the seller of travel to the purchaser unless the purchaser requests the seller of travel to apply 10 the money to another travel product and/or date." 11

- 12 **Sec. 12.** RCW 19.138.050 and 1986 c 283 s 5 are each amended to 13 read as follows:
- 14 (1) If the transportation or other services contracted for are canceled ((the travel charter or tour operator)), or if the money is to 15 be refunded for any reason, the seller of travel shall ((return)) 16 refund to the ((passenger within fourteen days after the cancellation 17 18 all moneys paid for services not performed in accordance with the 19 contract unless mutually acceptable alternative travel arrangements are provided)) person with whom it contracts for travel services, the money 20 due the person within thirty days of receiving the funds from the 21 vendor with whom the services were arranged. If the funds were not 22 23 sent to the vendor and remain in the possession of the seller of travel, the funds shall be refunded within fourteen days. 24
- 25 (2) Any material misrepresentation with regard to the 26 transportation and other services offered shall be deemed to be a 27 cancellation necessitating the refund required by this section.
- 28 (3) When travel services are paid to a vendor and charged to a
 29 consumer's credit card by the seller of travel, and the arrangements
 30 are subsequently canceled by the consumer, the vendor, or the seller of
 31 travel, any refunds to the consumer's credit card must be applied for
 32 within ten days from the date of cancellation.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. The director has the following powers and duties:
- 35 (1) To adopt, amend, and repeal rules to carry out the purposes of 36 this chapter;

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- 1 (2) To issue and renew registrations under this chapter and to deny 2 or refuse to renew for failure to comply with this chapter;
- 3 (3) To suspend or revoke a registration for a violation of this 4 chapter;
 - (4) To establish fees;

- (5) To inspect and audit the books and records of a seller of 6 7 travel as they pertain to the deposits to and withdrawals from the 8 trust account and representations concerning bond 9 determinations. The seller of travel shall immediately make available 10 to the director those books and records as may be requested at the seller of travel's place of business or at a location designated by the 11 director. For that purpose, the director shall have full and free 12 13 access to the office and places of business of the seller of travel during regular business hours; and 14
- 15 (6) To do all things necessary to carry out the functions, powers, 16 and duties set forth in this chapter.
- (1) A nonresident seller of travel 17 NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. 18 soliciting business or selling travel in the state of Washington, by mail, telephone, or otherwise, either directly or indirectly, is deemed 19 to have appointed the director to be the seller of travel's true and 20 lawful attorney upon whom may be served any legal process against that 21 22 nonresident arising or growing out of a transaction involving travel 23 services. That solicitation signifies the nonresident's agreement that 24 process against the nonresident that is served as provided in this 25 chapter is of the same legal force and validity as if served personally on the nonresident seller of travel. 26
- 27 (2) Service of process upon a nonresident seller of travel shall be made by leaving a copy of the process with the director. The fee for 28 29 the service of process shall be determined by the director by rule. 30 That service is sufficient service upon the nonresident if the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney of record sends notice of the service 31 and a copy of the process by certified mail before service or 32 33 immediately after service to the defendant at the address given by the nonresident in a solicitation furnished by the nonresident, and the 34 sender's post office receipt of sending and the plaintiff's or 35 36 plaintiff's attorney's affidavit of compliance with this section are returned with the process in accordance with Washington superior court 37 civil rules. Notwithstanding the foregoing requirements, however, once 38

- l service has been made on the director as provided in this section, in
- 2 the event of failure to comply with the requirement of notice to the
- 3 nonresident, the court may order that notice be given that will be
- 4 sufficient to apprise the nonresident.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 15.** The director, in the director's discretion, 6 may:
- 7 (1) Annually, or more frequently, make public or private
- 8 investigations within or without this state as the director deems
- 9 necessary to determine whether a registration should be granted,
- 10 denied, revoked, or suspended, or whether a person has violated or is
- 11 about to violate this chapter or a rule adopted or order issued under
- 12 this chapter, or to aid in the enforcement of this chapter or in the
- 13 prescribing of rules and forms of this chapter;
- 14 (2) Publish information concerning a violation of this chapter or
- 15 a rule adopted or order issued under this chapter; and
- 16 (3) Investigate complaints concerning practices by sellers of
- 17 travel for which registration is required by this chapter.
- 18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 16.** For the purpose of an investigation or
- 19 proceeding under this chapter, the director or any officer designated
- 20 by the director may administer oaths and affirmations, subpoena
- 21 witnesses, compel their attendance, take evidence, and require the
- 22 production of any books, papers, correspondence, memoranda, agreements,
- 23 or other documents or records which the director deems relevant or
- 24 material to the inquiry.
- 25 NEW SECTION. Sec. 17. If it appears to the director that a person
- 26 has engaged in or is about to engage in an act or practice constituting
- 27 a violation of this chapter or a rule adopted or order issued under
- 28 this chapter, the director may, in the director's discretion, issue an
- 29 order directing the person to cease and desist from continuing the act
- 30 or practice. Reasonable notice of an opportunity for a hearing shall
- 31 be given. The director may issue a temporary order pending the
- 32 hearing, which shall remain in effect until ten days after the hearing
- 33 is held and which shall become final if the person to whom the notice
- 34 is addressed does not request a hearing within fifteen days after the
- 35 receipt of the notice.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 18. The attorney general, a county prosecuting 1 2 attorney, the director, or any person may, in accordance with the law of this state governing injunctions, maintain an action in the name of 3 this state to enjoin a person or entity selling travel services for 4 5 which registration is required by this chapter without registration from engaging in the practice until the required registration is 6 However, the injunction shall not relieve the person or 7 secured. 8 entity selling travel services without registration from criminal prosecution therefor, but the remedy by injunction shall be in addition 9 10 to any criminal liability.
- Sec. 19. A person or business that violates an 11 NEW SECTION. 12 injunction issued under this chapter shall pay a civil penalty, as determined by the court, of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars, 13 14 that shall be paid to the department. For the purpose of this section, 15 the superior court issuing an injunction shall retain jurisdiction and the cause shall be continued, and in such cases the attorney general 16 acting in the name of the state may petition for the recovery of civil 17 18 penalties.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 20. The director or individuals acting on the director's behalf are immune from suit in any action, civil or criminal, based on disciplinary proceedings or other official acts performed in the course of their duties in the administration and enforcement of this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 21. (1) The director may assess against a person or organization that violates this chapter, or a rule adopted under this chapter, a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars for each violation.
- (2) The person or organization shall be afforded the opportunity for a hearing, upon request made to the director within thirty days after the date of issuance of the notice of assessment. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW.
- 32 (3) A civil penalty shall be imposed by the court for each 33 violation of this chapter in an amount not less than five hundred 34 dollars nor more than two thousand dollars per violation.
- 35 (4) If a person fails to pay an assessment after it has become a 36 final and unappealable order, or after the court has entered final

- 1 judgment in favor of the state, the director may recover the amount
- 2 assessed by action in the appropriate superior court. In the action,
- 3 the validity and appropriateness of the final order imposing the
- 4 penalty shall not be subject to review.
- 5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 22. The director may assess against a person or
- 6 organization that violates this chapter, or a rule adopted under this
- 7 chapter, the full amount of restitution as may be necessary to restore
- 8 to a person an interest in money or property, real or personal, that
- 9 may have been acquired by means of an act prohibited by or in violation
- 10 of this chapter.
- 11 <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **Sec. 23.** In order to maintain or defend a lawsuit,
- 12 a seller of travel must be registered with the department as required
- 13 by this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter.
- 14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 24.** (1) Each person who knowingly violates this
- 15 chapter or who knowingly gives false or incorrect information to the
- 16 director, attorney general, or county prosecuting attorney in filing
- 17 statements required by this chapter, whether or not the statement or
- 18 report is verified, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor punishable under
- 19 chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- 20 (2) A person who violates this chapter or who gives false or
- 21 incorrect information to the director, attorney general, or county
- 22 prosecuting attorney in filing statements required by this chapter,
- 23 whether or not the statement or report is verified, is guilty of a
- 24 misdemeanor punishable under chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- 25 NEW SECTION. Sec. 25. The administrative procedure act, chapter
- 26 34.05 RCW, shall, wherever applicable, govern the rights, remedies, and
- 27 procedures respecting the administration of this chapter.
- 28 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 26.** All information, documents, and reports
- 29 filed with the director under this chapter are matters of public record
- 30 and shall be open to public inspection, subject to reasonable
- 31 regulation. The director may make public, on a periodic or other
- 32 basis, the information as may be necessary or appropriate in the public
- 33 interest concerning the registration, reports, and information filed

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- 1 with the director or any other matters to the administration and
- 2 enforcement of this chapter.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 27.** The legislature finds that the practices
- 4 governed by this chapter are matters vitally affecting the public
- 5 interest for the purpose of applying the consumer protection act,
- 6 chapter 19.86 RCW. Any violation of this chapter is not reasonable in
- 7 relation to the development and preservation of business and is an
- 8 unfair and deceptive act or practice and unfair method of competition
- 9 in the conduct of trade or commerce in violation of RCW 19.86.020.
- 10 Remedies provided by chapter 19.86 RCW are cumulative and not
- 11 exclusive.
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 28.** In addition to any other penalties or
- 13 remedies under chapter 19.86 RCW, a person who is injured by a
- 14 violation of this chapter may bring an action for recovery of actual
- 15 damages, including court costs and attorneys' fees. No provision in
- 16 this chapter shall be construed to limit any right or remedy provided
- 17 under chapter 19.86 RCW.
- 18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 29.** The following acts or parts of acts are
- 19 each repealed:
- 20 (1) RCW 19.138.020 and 1986 c 283 s 2;
- 21 (2) RCW 19.138.060 and 1986 c 283 s 6;
- 22 (3) RCW 19.138.070 and 1986 c 283 s 7; and
- 23 (4) RCW 19.138.080 and 1986 c 283 s 8.
- 24 NEW SECTION. Sec. 30. If any provision of this act or its
- 25 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 26 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 27 persons or circumstances is not affected.
- 28 NEW SECTION. Sec. 31. This act shall take effect July 1, 1995.
- 29 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 32.** Sections 2 through 9 and 13 through 28 of
- 30 this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 19 RCW.

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