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AN ACT Relating to the regulation of health professions; amending 1 2 RCW 18.120.010, 18.120.020, 18.120.040, 18.130.010, 18.130.020, 3 18.130.040, 18.130.050, 18.130.060, 18.130.090, 18.130.160, 18.130.165, 18.130.175, 18.130.185, 18.130.186, 18.130.190, 18.130.270, 18.130.300, 4 5 18.22.005, 18.25.005, 18.25.019, 18.25.180, 18.26.030, 18.26.330, 18.26.340, 18.26.350, 18.26.360, 18.26.370, 18.32.195, 6 18.26.390, 7 18.32.640, 18.32.655, 18.35.110, 18.35.161, 18.57.035, 18.64.160, 8 18.64A.050, 18.71.019, 18.71.095, 18.71.230, 18.72.165, 18.72.265, 18.72.340, 18.72.345, 18.74.090, 18.83.050, 18.83.121, 18.88.280, 9 18.135.070, 43.70.220, 43.70.240, and 43.70.300; reenacting and 10 amending RCW 18.64.245 and 18.71.030; adding a new section to chapter 11 12 18.06 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.19 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.22 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 18.25 RCW; 13 adding a new section to chapter 18.29 RCW; adding a new section to 14 15 chapter 18.32 RCW; adding a new section to 18.34 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.35 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.36A 16 17 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.39 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.50 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.52 RCW; adding a 18 19 new section to chapter 18.52C RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.53 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.54 RCW; adding a new 20 section to chapter 18.55 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.57 21

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RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.57A RCW; adding a new section 1 to chapter 18.59 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 18.64 RCW; adding 2 3 a new section to chapter 18.64A RCW; adding a new section to chapter 4 18.71 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.71A RCW; adding a new 5 section to chapter 18.73 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.74 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.78 RCW; adding a new section to 6 7 chapter 18.83 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.84 RCW; adding a 8 new section to chapter 18.88 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 9 18.88A RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.89 RCW; adding a new 10 section to chapter 18.92 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.108 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 18.130 RCW; adding new sections to 11 chapter 18.135 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.138 RCW; adding 12 13 a new section to chapter 18.155 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 18 14 RCW; creating new sections; recodifying RCW 18.26.030, 18.26.320, 15 18.26.330, 18.26.340, 18.26.350, 18.26.360, 18.26.370, 18.26.380, and 16 18.26.390; and repealing RCW 18.26.010, 18.26.020, 18.26.028, 17 18.26.040, 18.26.050, 18.26.080, 18.26.060, 18.26.070, 18.26.090, 18.26.110, 18.26.900, 18.32.500, 18.32.510, 18 18.32.520, 18.32.530, 19 18.32.534, 18.32.560, 18.32.570, 18.32.580, 18.32.590, 18.32.600, 20 18.32.610, 18.32.620, 18.32.665, 18.32.745, 18.35.220, 18.54.150, 21 18.57.174, 18.64.260, 18.71A.070, 18.72.010, 18.72.020, 18.72.045, 18.72.090, 18.72.100, 18.72.110, 18.72.120, 22 18.72.130, 18.72.150, 18.72.154, 18.72.155, 18.72.190, 18.72.301, 23 18.72.306, 18.72.311, 24 18.72.316, 18.72.321, 18.72.380, 18.72.390, 18.72.400, 18.72.900, 25 18.72.910, 18.83.135, 18.83.155, 18.83.168, 18.92.047, 18.130.140, 26 18.135.080, 43.131.337, and 43.131.338.

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

28 PART 1 - AUTHORITY OVER SCOPE OF PRACTICE 29 OF STATE-REGULATED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 101.** LEGISLATIVE INTENT. The legislature finds that regulation of health professions is an important part of state quality assurance activities that help assure the safe delivery of health care services to the people of this state.

It further finds that there are twenty separate regulatory 35 authorities that govern the health professions and act on scope of 36 practice decisions. The large number of regulatory authorities has

sometimes resulted in inconsistent and conflicting regulation of the state's health professions and the expansion in the scope of practice beyond legislative intent. In addition, scopes of practice between some professions overlap and it is often unclear which regulatory authority has jurisdiction. Separate authorities may adopt conflicting rules concerning the same scope of practice issue. The legislature is often requested to resolve these conflicts by enacting legislation to modify or clarify the scope of practice of a health profession.

The legislature further finds that it is requested to consider legislation to increase the level of regulation of health professions already regulated by the state. Increasing the level of regulation further restricts the practice of the profession by requiring individuals to obtain specialized training and pass a credentialing examination. These requests require a determination that the existing level of regulation is insufficient to protect the public from the unsafe practice of the profession.

The legislature declares that the best forum for deciding such changes in scope of practice and levels of health professional credentialing is through a nonlegislative process that allows for a deliberative and objective consideration of such changes. The expertise of the existing health professional licensing boards and advisory committees should be used in considering such changes but a single authority should be responsible for making decisions on changes in scope of practice or the level of credentialing. It further declares that the legislature should limit its involvement in the regulation of health professionals to those proposals that create new professions or that consider the sunset termination of existing professions.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 102. DEFINITIONS. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 31 (1) "Credential" means regulation of a health professional at the 32 level of registration, certification, or licensure as defined in 33 chapter 18.120 RCW.
- 34 (2) "Department" means the department of health.
- 35 (3) "Health profession" means a profession specified under RCW 36 18.130.040(2).

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- 1 (4) "Health profession advisory committee" or "advisory committee" 2 means advisory committees established by the secretary or by law for 3 health professions cited in RCW 18.130.040(2)(a).
- 4 (5) "Health profession licensing board" or "boards" means the professional licensing boards for health professions cited in RCW 6 18.130.040(2)(b).
- 7 (6) "Scope of practice" means the range of diagnosis, treatments, 8 services, technologies, equipment, and pharmaceuticals that a health 9 profession is authorized to use.
- 10 (7) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's 11 designee.
- NEW SECTION. **sec. 103.** APPLICABILITY. (1) The secretary shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines, or judgments relating to the scope of practice or the level of credentialing for health professions regulated under RCW 18.130.040(2) in accordance with provisions of this chapter.
- 17 (2) The health professional licensing boards of professions 18 specified in RCW 18.130.040(2)(b) shall establish by rule standards for 19 the issuance and renewal of licenses for individuals subject to their 20 respective jurisdictions.
- 21 (3) The secretary shall adopt rules concerning the issuance and 22 renewal of licenses for individuals subject to the health professions 23 under RCW 18.130.040(2)(a).
- 24 (4) The board of funeral directors and embalmers shall have the 25 authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines, or judgments relating 26 to the scope of practice and for the issuance and renewal of licenses 27 of persons subject to licensure under chapter 18.39 RCW.
- 28 NEW SECTION. Sec. 104. SCOPE OF PRACTICE AND LEVEL OF 29 CREDENTIALING REVIEW PROCESS. (1) The secretary on his or her own initiative, or upon the request of an interested party, may add to or 30 31 take away functions of a health profession's scope of practice or make changes in the level of credentialing of a health profession under such 32 33 terms and conditions as the secretary deems prudent and in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. 34
- 35 (2) The secretary shall develop a consistent, uniform, and 36 objective process for making changes in scope of practice or level of 37 credentialing, issuing judgments about a profession's scope of

- 1 practice, or other activities authorized under this chapter. This 2 includes the issuance of declaratory interpretations and adoption of 3 rules regarding limits of practice and standards of practice.
- 4 (3) The secretary may request that a party requesting changes in 5 the scope of practice or level of credentialing submit information 6 relevant to such decisions, including responding to questions or 7 criteria the secretary needs to respond to the request.

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- (4) The secretary may review the rules and other decisions of the health professional licensing boards to determine whether such rules or decisions have the effect of altering the scope of practice of that profession. If the secretary deems that a board has acted in a manner to change the scope of practice, the secretary may reverse, vacate, revoke, nullify, or modify the rules or decisions. All rules, standards, guidelines, or judgments of any kind relating to a profession's scope of practice of a health profession licensing board, whether adopted before or after the effective date of this act, are subject to review of the secretary.
- 18 (5) If the secretary should determine that needed changes in the 19 scope of practice or level of credentialing of a health profession 20 requires amendments to the Revised Code of Washington to implement, the 21 secretary shall forward such recommended changes in the form of 22 proposed legislation to the health policy committees of the senate and 23 house of representatives.
- 24 (6) The secretary may use the professional expertise of the health 25 profession licensing boards and advisory committees and others to 26 fulfill his or her responsibilities under this chapter.
- 27 (7) All actions by the secretary under this chapter shall be in 28 accord with chapter 34.05 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 105. CRITERIA FOR USE BY THE SECRETARY. (1)
 30 If considering changes in the scope of practice of a health profession,
- 31 the secretary shall consider at least the following factors:
- 32 (a) Whether a serious risk to the public's life, health, or safety 33 will occur if the scope of practice remains unchanged.
- 34 (b) Whether there is a clear benefit to the public in changing the 35 scope of practice of a health profession.
- 36 (c) Whether the current education and training requirements of the 37 health profession are sufficient to assure the safe delivery of the

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- 1 health care services that will result from the change of scope of 2 practice.
- 3 (d) Whether there is a sufficient availability of training and 4 education programs to meet the demand for training that will result 5 from the change in scope of practice.
- 6 (e) How the change in the scope of practice will effect the 7 availability and cost of health care services.
- 8 (2) In considering changes in the level of credentialing of a 9 health profession cited in RCW 18.130.040(2), the secretary shall 10 consider at a minimum the criteria in RCW 18.120.030.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 106. ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR CHANGES IN 11 12 SCOPE OF PRACTICE. The secretary, in consultation with the health profession licensing boards and health profession advisory committees, 13 14 shall establish additional training, education, and other requirements 15 for health professions under RCW 18.130.040 as made necessary by changes in scope of practice or levels of credentialing that are 16 authorized under this chapter. This shall include when appropriate 17 18 application of uniform administrative provisions under chapter 18.122 19 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 107. STUDY. The secretary, in consultation with the health policy committees of the senate and house of representatives, shall identify and recommend changes in the Revised Code of Washington necessary to implement the intent of sections 101 through 106 of this act. The recommendations shall be reported to the health policy committees of the legislature by no later than November 15, 1993.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 108. CODIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS. Sections 101 28 through 106 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 18 RCW.

29 PART 2 - REVISIONS OF THE HEALTH PROFESSIONAL 30 "SUNRISE" REVIEW PROCESS

- 31 **Sec. 201.** RCW 18.120.010 and 1990 c 33 s 554 are each amended to 32 read as follows:
- 33 (1) The purpose of this chapter is to establish guidelines for the 34 regulation of health professions not licensed or regulated prior to

July 24, 1983((, and those licensed or regulated health professions which seek to substantially increase their scope of practice)): 2 PROVIDED, That the provisions of this chapter are not intended and 3 4 shall not be construed to: (a) Apply to any regulatory entity created prior to July 24, 1983, except as provided in this chapter; (b) affect 5 the powers and responsibilities of the superintendent of public 6 7 instruction or state board of education under RCW 28A.305.130 and 8 28A.410.010; (c) apply to or interfere in any way with the practice of 9 religion or to any kind of treatment by prayer; and (d) apply to any 10 remedial or technical amendments to any statutes which licensed or regulated activity before July 24, 1983. The legislature believes that 11 all individuals should be permitted to enter into a health profession 12 unless there is an overwhelming need for the state to protect the 13 interests of the public by restricting entry into the profession. 14 15 Where such a need is identified, the regulation adopted by the state 16 should be set at the least restrictive level consistent with the public 17 interest to be protected.

(2) It is the intent of this chapter that no regulation shall, after July 24, 1983, be imposed upon any health profession except for the exclusive purpose of protecting the public interest. All bills introduced in the legislature to regulate a health profession for the first time should be reviewed according to the following criteria. A health profession should be regulated by the state only when:

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- (a) Unregulated practice can clearly harm or endanger the health, safety, or welfare of the public, and the potential for the harm is easily recognizable and not remote or dependent upon tenuous argument;
- (b) The public needs and can reasonably be expected to benefit from an assurance of initial and continuing professional ability; and
- 29 (c) The public cannot be effectively protected by other means in a 30 more cost-beneficial manner.
- 31 (3) After evaluating the criteria in subsection (2) of this section 32 and considering governmental and societal costs and benefits, if the 33 legislature finds that it is necessary to regulate a health profession 34 not previously regulated by law, the least restrictive alternative 35 method of regulation should be implemented, consistent with the public 36 interest and this section:
- 37 (a) Where existing common law and statutory civil actions and 38 criminal prohibitions are not sufficient to eradicate existing harm,

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- 1 the regulation should provide for stricter civil actions and criminal
 2 prosecutions;
- 3 (b) Where a service is being performed for individuals involving a 4 hazard to the public health, safety, or welfare, the regulation should 5 impose inspection requirements and enable an appropriate state agency 6 to enforce violations by injunctive relief in court, including, but not 7 limited to, regulation of the business activity providing the service 8 rather than the employees of the business;
- 9 (c) Where the threat to the public health, safety, or economic 10 well-being is relatively small as a result of the operation of the 11 health profession, the regulation should implement a system of 12 registration;
- (d) Where the consumer may have a substantial basis for relying on the services of a practitioner, the regulation should implement a system of certification; or
- (e) Where apparent that adequate regulation cannot be achieved by means other than licensing, the regulation should implement a system of licensing.
- 19 **Sec. 202.** RCW 18.120.020 and 1989 c 300 s 14 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
- 21 The definitions contained in this section shall apply throughout 22 this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
 - (1) "Applicant group" includes any health professional group or organization, any individual, or any other interested party which proposes that any health professional group not presently regulated be regulated ((or which proposes to substantially increase the scope of practice of the profession)).
- (2) "Certificate" and "certification" mean a voluntary process by which a statutory regulatory entity grants recognition to an individual who (a) has met certain prerequisite qualifications specified by that regulatory entity, and (b) may assume or use "certified" in the title or designation to perform prescribed health professional tasks.
 - (3) "Grandfather clause" means a provision in a regulatory statute applicable to practitioners actively engaged in the regulated health profession prior to the effective date of the regulatory statute which exempts the practitioners from meeting the prerequisite qualifications set forth in the regulatory statute to perform prescribed occupational tasks.

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and health-related licensed or regulated professions and occupations: 2 3 ((Podiatry)) Podiatric medicine and surgery under chapter 18.22 RCW; 4 chiropractic under chapter((s)) 18.25 ((and 18.26)) RCW; dental hygiene under chapter 18.29 RCW; dentistry under chapter 18.32 RCW; dispensing 5 opticians under chapter 18.34 RCW; hearing aids under chapter 18.35 6 7 RCW; naturopaths under chapter 18.36A RCW; embalming and funeral 8 directing under chapter 18.39 RCW; midwifery under chapter 18.50 RCW; 9 nursing home administration under chapter 18.52 RCW; optometry under chapters 18.53 and 18.54 RCW; ocularists under chapter 18.55 RCW; 10 osteopathy and osteopathic medicine and surgery under chapters 18.57 11 and 18.57A RCW; pharmacy under chapters 18.64 and 18.64A RCW; medicine 12 13 under chapters 18.71((-7)) and 18.71A((-7)) and 18.72)) RCW; emergency medicine under chapter 18.73 RCW; physical therapy under chapter 18.74 14 15 RCW; practical nurses under chapter 18.78 RCW; psychologists under 16 chapter 18.83 RCW; registered nurses under chapter 18.88 occupational therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 18.59 RCW; 17 respiratory care practitioners certified under chapter 18.89 RCW; 18 19 veterinarians and animal technicians under chapter 18.92 RCW; health 20 care assistants under chapter 18.135 RCW; massage practitioners under chapter 18.108 RCW; acupuncturists certified under chapter 18.06 RCW; 21 22 persons registered or certified under chapter 18.19 RCW; dietitians and 23 nutritionists certified by chapter 18.138 RCW; radiologic technicians 24 under chapter 18.84 RCW; and nursing assistants registered or certified 25 under chapter 18.88A RCW.

(4) "Health professions" means and includes the following health

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- (5) "Inspection" means the periodic examination of practitioners by a state agency in order to ascertain whether the practitioners' occupation is being carried out in a fashion consistent with the public health, safety, and welfare.
- 30 (6) "Legislative committees of reference" means the standing 31 legislative committees designated by the respective rules committees of 32 the senate and house of representatives to consider proposed 33 legislation to regulate health professions not previously regulated.
 - (7) "License," "licensing," and "licensure" mean permission to engage in a health profession which would otherwise be unlawful in the state in the absence of the permission. A license is granted to those individuals who meet prerequisite qualifications to perform prescribed health professional tasks and for the use of a particular title.

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- 1 (8) "Professional license" means an individual, nontransferable 2 authorization to carry on a health activity based on qualifications 3 which include: (a) Graduation from an accredited or approved program, 4 and (b) acceptable performance on a qualifying examination or series of 5 examinations.
- 6 (9) "Practitioner" means an individual who (a) has achieved 7 knowledge and skill by practice, and (b) is actively engaged in a 8 specified health profession.
- 9 (10) "Public member" means an individual who is not, and never was, 10 a member of the health profession being regulated or the spouse of a 11 member, or an individual who does not have and never has had a material 12 financial interest in either the rendering of the health professional 13 service being regulated or an activity directly related to the 14 profession being regulated.
- (11) "Registration" means the formal notification which, prior to rendering services, a practitioner shall submit to a state agency setting forth the name and address of the practitioner; the location, nature and operation of the health activity to be practiced; and, if required by the regulatory entity, a description of the service to be provided.
- 21 (12) "Regulatory entity" means any board, commission, agency, 22 division, or other unit or subunit of state government which regulates 23 one or more professions, occupations, industries, businesses, or other 24 endeavors in this state.
- (13) "State agency" includes every state office, department, board, commission, regulatory entity, and agency of the state, and, where provided by law, programs and activities involving less than the full responsibility of a state agency.
- 29 **Sec. 203.** RCW 18.120.040 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 305 are each 30 amended to read as follows:
- Applicant groups shall submit a written report explaining the factors enumerated in RCW 18.120.030 to the legislative committees of reference, copies of which shall be sent to the ((state board of health and the)) department of health for review and comment. The ((state board of health and the)) department of health shall make recommendations based on the report submitted by applicant groups to the extent requested by the legislative committees.

PART 3 - CREATING A SINGLE DISCIPLINARY AUTHORITY FOR THE UNIFORM DISCIPLINARY ACT

3 Sec. 301. RCW 18.130.010 and 1991 c 332 s 1 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

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It is the intent of the legislature to strengthen and consolidate disciplinary and licensure procedures for the licensed health and health-related professions and businesses by providing a uniform disciplinary act with standardized procedures for the licensure of health care professionals and the <u>consistent</u> enforcement of laws the purpose of which is to assure the public of the adequacy of professional competence and conduct in the healing arts.

12 It is also the intent of the legislature that all health and 13 health-related professions newly credentialed by the state come under 14 the uniform disciplinary act.

Further, the legislature declares that the ((addition of public members on all health care boards can give both the state and the public, which it has a statutory responsibility to protect, assurances of accountability and confidence in the various practices of health care)) intent of this chapter can best be implemented by a single disciplinary authority.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 302. A new section is added to chapter 18.130 22 RCW to read as follows:

UNIFORM APPLICATION OF THE UNIFORM DISCIPLINARY ACT. The secretary shall develop procedures for the consistent application of this chapter to all persons subject to this chapter. This shall include assuring consistency and uniformity in determining whether complaints merit investigation, conducting complaint investigations, determining when an action by the complainant constitutes unlicensed practice, unprofessional conduct or unsafe practice, and assessing sanctions against individuals for violation of the provisions of this chapter.

- 31 **Sec. 303.** RCW 18.130.020 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 312 are each 32 amended to read as follows:
- 33 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 34 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 35 (1) "Disciplining authority" or "disciplinary authority" means 36 ((\frac{a}{a}) the board of medical examiners, the board of dental examiners,

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- 1 and the board of chiropractic examiners with respect to applicants for
- 2 a license for the respective professions, (b) the medical disciplinary
- 3 board, the dental disciplinary board, and the chiropractic disciplinary
- 4 board with respect to holders of licenses for the respective
- 5 professions, or (c) the agency or board having the authority to take
- 6 disciplinary action against a holder of, or applicant for, a
- 7 professional or business license upon a finding of a violation of this
- 8 chapter or a chapter specified under RCW 18.130.040)) the secretary of
- 9 health or, for persons subject to licensure under chapter 18.39 RCW,
- 10 the board of funeral directors and embalmers.
- 11 (2) "Department" means the department of health, except that
- 12 <u>department shall mean department of licensing for persons regulated</u>
- 13 under chapter 18.39 RCW.
- 14 (3) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's
- 15 designee, except that secretary shall mean the director of licensing or
- 16 the director's designee for persons subject to regulation under chapter
- 17 <u>18.39 RCW</u>.
- 18 (4) "Board" or "health professional licensing board" means ((any of
- 19 those boards specified in RCW 18.130.040)) the health professional
- 20 licensing boards of professions specified under RCW 18.130.040(2)(b)
- 21 and the board of funeral directors and embalmers.
- 22 (5) "Unlicensed practice" means:
- 23 (a) Practicing a profession or operating a business identified in
- 24 RCW 18.130.040 without holding a valid, unexpired, unrevoked, and
- 25 unsuspended license to do so; or
- 26 (b) Representing to a consumer, through offerings, advertisements,
- 27 or use of a professional title or designation, that the individual is
- 28 qualified to practice a profession or operate a business identified in
- 29 RCW 18.130.040, without holding a valid, unexpired, unrevoked, and
- 30 unsuspended license to do so.
- 31 (6) "Disciplinary action" means sanctions identified in RCW
- 32 18.130.160.
- 33 (7) "Practice review" means an investigative audit of records
- 34 related to the complaint, without prior identification of specific
- 35 patient or consumer names, to determine whether unprofessional conduct
- 36 may have been committed.
- 37 (8) "Health agency" means city and county health departments and
- 38 the department of health.

- 1 (9) "License," "licensing," and "licensure" shall be deemed
- 2 equivalent to the terms "license," "licensing," "licensure,"
- 3 "certificate," "certification," and "registration" as those terms are
- 4 defined in RCW 18.120.020.
- 5 (10) "Advisory committee" means advisory committees established by
- 6 the secretary or by law for health professions cited in RCW
- 7 18.130.040(2)(a).
- 8 **Sec. 304.** RCW 18.130.040 and 1992 c 128 s 6 are each amended to 9 read as follows:
- 10 (1) This chapter applies only to the ((secretary and the boards
- 11 having jurisdiction in relation to the)) professions licensed under the
- 12 chapters specified in this section. This chapter does not apply to any
- 13 business or profession not licensed under the chapters specified in
- 14 this section.
- 15 (2)(a) The secretary has authority under this chapter in relation
- 16 to the following professions:
- 17 (i) Dispensing opticians licensed under chapter 18.34 RCW;
- 18 (ii) Naturopaths licensed under chapter 18.36A RCW;
- 19 (iii) Midwives licensed under chapter 18.50 RCW;
- 20 (iv) Ocularists licensed under chapter 18.55 RCW;
- 21 (v) Massage operators and businesses licensed under chapter 18.108
- 22 RCW;
- 23 (vi) Dental hygienists licensed under chapter 18.29 RCW;
- 24 (vii) Acupuncturists certified under chapter 18.06 RCW;
- 25 (viii) Radiologic technologists certified <u>and x-ray technicians</u>
- 26 <u>registered</u> under chapter 18.84 RCW;
- 27 (ix) Respiratory care practitioners certified under chapter 18.89
- 28 RCW;
- 29 (x) Persons registered or certified under chapter 18.19 RCW;
- 30 (xi) Persons registered as nursing pool operators;
- 31 (xii) Nursing assistants registered or certified under chapter
- 32 ((18.52B)) <u>18.88A</u> RCW;
- 33 (xiii) Dietitians and nutritionists certified under chapter 18.138
- 34 RCW;
- 35 (xiv) Sex offender treatment providers certified under chapter
- 36 18.155 RCW; ((and))
- 37 (xv) Persons licensed and certified under chapter 18.73 RCW or RCW
- 38 18.71.205; and

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- 1 (xvi) Health care assistants certified under chapter 18.135 RCW.
- 2 (b) ((The boards having authority under this chapter are as
- 3 follows:
- 4 (i) The podiatric medical board as established in chapter 18.22
- 5 RCW;
- 6 (ii) The chiropractic disciplinary board as established in chapter
- 7 18.26 RCW governing licenses issued under chapter 18.25 RCW;
- 8 (iii) The dental disciplinary board as established in chapter 18.32
- 9 RCW;
- 10 (iv) The council on hearing aids as established in chapter 18.35
- 11 RCW;
- 12 (v) The board of funeral directors and embalmers as established in
- 13 chapter 18.39 RCW;
- 14 (vi) The board of examiners for nursing home administrators as
- 15 established in chapter 18.52 RCW;
- 16 (vii) The optometry board as established in chapter 18.54 RCW
- 17 governing licenses issued under chapter 18.53 RCW;
- 18 (viii) The board of osteopathic medicine and surgery as established
- 19 in chapter 18.57 RCW governing licenses issued under chapters 18.57 and
- 20 18.57A RCW;
- 21 (ix) The medical disciplinary board as established in chapter 18.72
- 22 RCW governing licenses and registrations issued under chapters 18.71
- 23 and 18.71A RCW;
- 24 (x) The board of physical therapy as established in chapter 18.74
- 25 RCW;
- 26 (xi) The board of occupational therapy practice as established in
- 27 chapter 18.59 RCW;
- 28 (xii) The board of practical nursing as established in chapter
- 29 18.78 RCW;
- 30 (xiii) The examining board of psychology and its disciplinary
- 31 committee as established in chapter 18.83 RCW;
- 32 (xiv) The board of nursing as established in chapter 18.88 RCW; and
- 33 (xv) The veterinary board of governors as established in chapter
- 34 18.92 RCW.
- 35 (3)) In addition, the secretary has authority under this chapter
- 36 in relation to the following professions:
- 37 (i) Podiatric physicians and surgeons licensed under chapter 18.22
- 38 <u>RCW;</u>
- 39 (ii) Chiropractors licensed under chapter 18.25 RCW;

- 1 (iii) Dentists licensed under chapter 18.32 RCW;
- 2 (iv) Hearing aide fitters and dispensers licensed under chapter
- 3 <u>18.35 RCW;</u>
- 4 (v) Nursing home administrators licensed under chapter 18.52 RCW;
- 5 (vi) Optometrists licensed under chapters 18.53 and 18.54 RCW;
- 6 <u>(vii) Osteopathic physicians and physician assistants licensed</u>
 7 <u>under chapters 18.57 and 18.57A RCW;</u>
- 8 <u>(viii) Physicians and physician assistants licensed under chapters</u> 9 18.71 and 18.71A RCW;
- 10 (ix) Physical therapists licensed under chapter 18.74 RCW;
- 11 (x) Licensed practical nurses licensed under chapter 18.78 RCW;
- 12 (xi) Occupational therapists licensed under chapter 18.59 RCW;
- 13 (xii) Psychologists licensed under chapter 18.83 RCW;
- 14 (xiii) Veterinarians licensed under chapter 18.92 RCW; and
- 15 (xiv) Pharmacists licensed and pharmacy assistants certified under
- 16 <u>chapters 18.64 and 18.64A RCW.</u>
- 17 (3) This chapter also applies to funeral directors and embalmers
- 18 and the regulatory authority shall be the board of funeral directors
- 19 and embalmers as established in chapter 18.39 RCW.
- 20 (4) In addition to the authority to discipline license holders, the
- 21 disciplining authority has the authority to grant or deny licenses
- 22 based on the conditions and criteria established in this chapter and
- 23 the chapters specified in subsection (2) of this section. ((However,
- 24 the board of chiropractic examiners has authority over issuance and
- 25 denial of licenses provided for in chapter 18.25 RCW, the board of
- 26 dental examiners has authority over issuance and denial of licenses
- 27 provided for in RCW 18.32.040, and the board of medical examiners has
- 28 authority over issuance and denial of licenses and registrations
- 29 provided for in chapters 18.71 and 18.71A RCW.)) This chapter also
- 30 governs any investigation, hearing, or proceeding relating to denial of
- 31 licensure or issuance of a license conditioned on the applicant's
- 32 compliance with an order entered pursuant to RCW 18.130.160 by the
- 33 disciplining authority.
- 34 Sec. 305. RCW 18.130.050 and 1987 c 150 s 2 are each amended to
- 35 read as follows:
- The disciplining authority has the following authority:
- 37 (1) To adopt, amend, and rescind such rules as are deemed necessary
- 38 to carry out this chapter;

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- 1 (2) To investigate all complaints or reports of unprofessional 2 conduct as defined in this chapter and to hold hearings as provided in 3 this chapter;
- 4 (3) To issue subpoenas and administer oaths in connection with any investigation, hearing, or proceeding held under this chapter;
- 6 (4) To take or cause depositions to be taken and use other 7 discovery procedures as needed in any investigation, hearing, or 8 proceeding held under this chapter;
 - (5) To compel attendance of witnesses at hearings;

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- 10 (6) In the course of investigating a complaint or report of 11 unprofessional conduct, to conduct practice reviews;
- 12 (7) To take emergency action ordering summary suspension of a 13 license, or restriction or limitation of the licensee's practice 14 pending proceedings by the disciplining authority;
- 15 (8) To use the office of administrative hearings as authorized in 16 chapter 34.12 RCW to conduct hearings. However, the disciplining 17 authority shall make the final decision regarding disposition of the 18 license;
- 19 (9) To use individual members of the boards <u>or advisory committees</u>
 20 to direct investigations((. However, the member of the board shall not
 21 subsequently participate in the hearing of the case));
- (10) To enter into contracts for professional services determined to be necessary for adequate enforcement of this chapter;
- (11) To contract with licensees or other persons or organizations to provide services necessary for the monitoring and supervision of licensees who are placed on probation, whose professional activities are restricted, or who are for any authorized purpose subject to monitoring by the disciplining authority;
 - (12) To adopt standards of professional conduct or practice;
- 30 (13) To grant or deny license applications, and in the event of a 31 finding of unprofessional conduct by an applicant or license holder, to 32 impose any sanction against a license applicant or license holder 33 provided by this chapter;
- 34 (14) To enter into an assurance of discontinuance in lieu of 35 issuing a statement of charges or conducting a hearing. The assurance 36 shall consist of a statement of the law in question and an agreement to 37 not violate the stated provision. The applicant or license holder 38 shall not be required to admit to any violation of the law, nor shall

- 1 the assurance be construed as such an admission. Violation of an 2 assurance under this subsection is grounds for disciplinary action;
- 3 (15) To designate individuals authorized to sign subpoenas and 4 statements of charges:
- (16) To review and audit the records of licensed health facilities'
 or services' quality assurance committee decisions in which a
 licensee's practice privilege or employment is terminated or
 restricted. Each health facility or service shall produce and make
 accessible to the disciplining authority the appropriate records and
 otherwise facilitate the review and audit. Information so gained shall
 not be subject to discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil
- 12 <u>action</u>.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 306. A new section is added to chapter 18.130 RCW to read as follows:
- 15 USE OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS ΙN THE DISCIPLINARY 16 INVESTIGATIONS AND HEARINGS. The secretary may use the advisory 17 committees and the health professional licensing boards established 18 under this title to provide advice in activities related to assisting 19 the secretary and the department in fulfilling its duties and responsibilities under this chapter. The secretary may delegate any 20 function under this chapter and shall delegate the function if the 21 22 secretary has a conflict of interest.
- 23 **Sec. 307.** RCW 18.130.060 and 1991 c 3 s 269 are each amended to 24 read as follows:
- In addition to the authority specified in RCW 18.130.050, the ((secretary)) disciplinary authority has the following additional authority:
- 28 (1) To employ such investigative, administrative, and clerical 29 staff as necessary for the enforcement of this chapter, including such 30 legal and health professional expert staff necessary to advise and 31 assist it in performing its duties;
- 32 (2) Upon the request of a board <u>or an advisory committee</u>, to 33 appoint not more than three pro tem members for the purpose of 34 participating as members of one or more committees of the board <u>or</u> 35 <u>advisory committee</u> in connection with proceedings specifically 36 identified in the request. Individuals so appointed must meet the same 37 minimum qualifications as regular members of the board <u>or advisory</u>

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- committee. While serving as board members or advisory committees pro 1 tem, persons so appointed have all the powers, duties, and immunities, 2 and are entitled to the emoluments, including travel expenses in 3 4 accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060, of regular members of the board((. The chairperson of a committee shall be a regular member of 5 the board appointed by the board chairperson. Committees have 6 7 authority to act as directed by the board with respect to all matters 8 concerning the review, investigation, and adjudication of all complaints, allegations, charges, and matters subject to the 9 jurisdiction of the board. The authority to act through committees 10 does not restrict the authority of the board to act as a single body at 11 12 any phase of proceedings within the board's jurisdiction. Board committees may make interim orders and issue final decisions with 13 14 respect to matters and cases delegated to the committee by the board. Final decisions may be appealed as provided in chapter 34.05 RCW, the 15 16 Administrative Procedure Act)) or advisory committee;
- 17 (3) To establish fees to be paid for witnesses, expert witnesses, 18 and consultants used in any investigation and to establish fees to 19 witnesses in any agency adjudicative proceeding as authorized by RCW 20 34.05.446;
- (4) To conduct investigations and practice reviews ((at the direction of the disciplining authority)) and to issue subpoenas, administer oaths, and take depositions in the course of conducting those investigations and practice reviews at the direction of the disciplining authority.
- 26 **Sec. 308.** RCW 18.130.090 and 1986 c 259 s 6 are each amended to 27 read as follows:
- 28 the disciplining authority determines, $((\frac{1}{1}))$ Ιf 29 investigation, that there is reason to believe a violation of RCW 30 18.130.180 has occurred, a statement of charge or charges shall be prepared and served upon the license holder or applicant at the 31 earliest practical time. The statement of charge or charges shall be 32 33 accompanied by a notice that the license holder or applicant may 34 request a hearing to contest the charge or charges. The license holder or applicant must file a request for hearing with the disciplining 35 36 authority within twenty days after being served the statement of 37 charges. ((The failure to request a hearing constitutes a default,

whereupon the disciplining authority may enter a decision on the basis of the facts available to it.

- 3 (2) If a hearing is requested, the time of the hearing shall be 4 fixed by the disciplining authority as soon as convenient, but the hearing shall not be held earlier than thirty days after service of the 5 charges upon the license holder or applicant. A notice of hearing 6 7 shall be issued at least twenty days prior to the hearing, specifying 8 the time, date, and place of the hearing. The notice shall also notify 9 the license holder or applicant that a record of the proceeding will be 10 kept, that he or she will have the opportunity to appear personally and to have counsel present, with the right to produce witnesses, who will 11 be subject to cross-examination, and evidence in his or her own behalf, 12 13 to cross-examine witnesses testifying against him or her, to examine such documentary evidence as may be produced against him or her, to 14 15 conduct depositions, and to have subpoenas issued by the disciplining If the twenty-day limit results in a hardship upon the 16 authority.)) license holder or applicant, he or she may request for good cause an 17 extension not to exceed sixty additional days. If the disciplining 18 19 authority finds that there is good cause, it shall grant the extension.
- 20 **Sec. 309.** RCW 18.130.160 and 1986 c 259 s 8 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
- Upon a finding that a license holder or applicant has committed unprofessional conduct or is unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety due to a physical or mental condition, the disciplining authority may issue an order providing for one or any combination of the following:
- 27 (1) Revocation of the license;

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- (2) Suspension of the license for a fixed or indefinite term;
- 29 (3) Restriction or limitation of the practice;
- 30 (4) Requiring the satisfactory completion of a specific program of 31 remedial education or treatment;
- 32 (5) The monitoring of the practice by a supervisor approved by the 33 disciplining authority;
 - (6) Censure or reprimand;
- 35 (7) Compliance with conditions of probation for a designated period of time;

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- 1 (8) Payment of a fine for each violation of this chapter, not to 2 exceed ((one)) <u>five</u> thousand dollars per violation. Funds received 3 shall be placed in the health professions account;
 - (9) Denial of the license request;
- 5 (10) Corrective action;

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6 (11) Refund of fees billed to and collected from the consumer.

7 Any of the actions under this section may be totally or partly 8 stayed by the disciplining authority. In determining what action is 9 appropriate, the disciplining authority must first consider what 10 sanctions are necessary to protect or compensate the public. after such provisions have been made may the disciplining authority 11 consider and include in the order requirements designed to rehabilitate 12 13 the license holder or applicant. All costs associated with compliance with orders issued under this section are the obligation of the license 14

16 **Sec. 310.** RCW 18.130.165 and 1987 c 150 s 4 are each amended to 17 read as follows:

18 Where an order for payment of a fine is made as a result of a hearing under ((RCW 18.130.100)) chapter 34.05 RCW and timely payment 19 is not made as directed in the final order, the disciplining authority 20 may enforce the order for payment in the superior court in the county 21 in which the hearing was held. This right of enforcement shall be in 22 23 addition to any other rights the disciplining authority may have as to 24 any licensee ordered to pay a fine but shall not be construed to limit 25 a licensee's ability to seek judicial review under ((RCW 18.130.140)) chapter 34.05 RCW. 26

In any action for enforcement of an order of payment of a fine, the disciplining authority's order is conclusive proof of the validity of the order of payment of a fine and the terms of payment.

- 30 **Sec. 311.** RCW 18.130.175 and 1991 c 3 s 270 are each amended to 31 read as follows:
- 32 (1) In lieu of disciplinary action under RCW 18.130.160 and if the 33 disciplining authority determines that the unprofessional conduct may 34 be the result of substance abuse, the disciplining authority may refer 35 the license holder to a voluntary substance abuse monitoring program 36 approved by the disciplining authority.

The cost of the treatment shall be the responsibility of the 1 license holder, but the responsibility does not preclude payment by an 2 3 employer, existing insurance coverage, or other sources. 4 alcoholism or drug treatment shall be provided by approved treatment ((facilities)) programs under RCW ((70.96A.020(2))) 70.96A.020: 5 PROVIDED, That nothing shall prohibit the disciplining authority from 6 7 approving additional services and programs as an adjunct to primary 8 alcoholism or drug treatment. The disciplining authority may also 9 approve the use of out-of-state programs. Referral of the license 10 holder to the program shall be done only with the consent of the license holder. Referral to the program may also include probationary 11 conditions for a designated period of time. If the license holder does 12 13 not consent to be referred to the program or does not successfully complete the program, the disciplining authority may take appropriate 14 15 action under RCW 18.130.160. <u>If the license holder has a setback in</u> 16 complying with the program, but program records indicate continuing progress toward the successful completion of the program, the 17 18 disciplinary authority shall encourage the license holder to continue 19 participation in the program and may impose additional conditions on the license holder, but shall not take action under RCW 18.130.160 20 unless the license holder is deemed unable to continue to practice with 21 reasonable skill and safety under the conditions imposed on his or her 22 23 license.

(2) In addition to approving substance abuse monitoring programs that may receive referrals from the disciplining authority, the disciplining authority may establish by rule requirements for participation of license holders who are not being investigated or monitored by the disciplining authority for substance abuse. License holders voluntarily participating in the approved programs without being referred by the disciplining authority shall not be subject to disciplinary action under RCW 18.130.160 for their substance abuse, and shall not have their participation made known to the disciplining authority, if they meet the requirements of this section and the program in which they are participating.

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(3) The license holder shall sign a waiver allowing the program to release information to the disciplining authority if the licensee does not comply with the requirements of this section or is unable to practice with reasonable skill or safety. The substance abuse program shall report to the disciplining authority any license holder who fails

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- 1 to comply with the requirements of this section or the program or who,
- 2 in the opinion of the program, is unable to practice with reasonable
- 3 skill or safety. License holders shall report to the disciplining
- 4 authority if they fail to comply with this section or do not complete
- 5 the program's requirements. License holders may, upon the agreement of
- 6 the program and disciplining authority, reenter the program if they
- 7 have previously failed to comply with this section.
- 8 (4) The treatment and pretreatment records of license holders
- 9 referred to or voluntarily participating in approved programs shall be
- 10 confidential, shall be exempt from RCW 42.17.250 through 42.17.450, and
- 11 shall not be subject to discovery by subpoena or admissible as evidence
- 12 except for monitoring records reported to the disciplining authority
- 13 for cause as defined in subsection (3) of this section. Monitoring
- 14 records relating to license holders referred to the program by the
- 15 disciplining authority or relating to license holders reported to the
- 16 disciplining authority by the program for cause, shall be released to
- 17 the disciplining authority at the request of the disciplining
- 18 authority. Records held by the disciplining authority under this
- 19 section shall be exempt from RCW 42.17.250 through 42.17.450 and shall
- 20 not be subject to discovery by subpoena except by the license holder.
- 21 (5) "Substance abuse," as used in this section, means the
- 22 impairment, as determined by the disciplining authority, of a license
- 23 holder's professional services by an addiction to, a dependency on, or
- 24 the use of alcohol, legend drugs, or controlled substances.
- 25 (6) This section does not affect an employer's right or ability to
- 26 make employment-related decisions regarding a license holder. This
- 27 section does not restrict the authority of the disciplining authority
- 28 to take disciplinary action for any other unprofessional conduct.
- 29 (7) A person who, in good faith, reports information or takes
- 30 action in connection with this section is immune from civil liability
- 31 for reporting information or taking the action.
- 32 (a) The immunity from civil liability provided by this section
- 33 shall be liberally construed to accomplish the purposes of this section
- 34 and the persons entitled to immunity shall include:
- (i) An approved monitoring treatment program;
- 36 (ii) The professional association operating the program;
- 37 (iii) Members, employees, or agents of the program or association;
- 38 (iv) Persons reporting a license holder as being impaired or
- 39 providing information about the license holder's impairment; and

- 1 (v) Professionals supervising or monitoring the course of the 2 impaired license holder's treatment or rehabilitation.
- 3 (b) The immunity provided in this section is in addition to any 4 other immunity provided by law.
- ((8) In addition to health care professionals governed by this 5 chapter, this section also applies to pharmacists under chapter 18.64 6 7 RCW and pharmacy assistants under chapter 18.64A RCW. For that 8 purpose, the board of pharmacy shall be deemed to be the disciplining 9 authority and the substance abuse monitoring program shall be in lieu 10 of disciplinary action under RCW 18.64.160 or 18.64A.050. The board of pharmacy shall adjust license fees to offset the costs of this 11 program.)) 12
- 13 **Sec. 312.** RCW 18.130.185 and 1987 c 150 s 8 are each amended to 14 read as follows:
- 15 If a person or business regulated by this chapter violates RCW 16 18.130.170 or 18.130.180, the attorney general, any prosecuting attorney, the ((director, the board)) disciplinary authority, or any 17 18 other person may maintain an action in the name of the state of Washington to enjoin the person from committing the violations. 19 injunction shall not relieve the offender from criminal prosecution, 20 but the remedy by injunction shall be in addition to the liability of 21 22 the offender to criminal prosecution and disciplinary action.
- 23 **Sec. 313.** RCW 18.130.186 and 1989 c 125 s 3 are each amended to 24 read as follows:
- (1) To implement a substance abuse monitoring program for license holders specified under RCW 18.130.040, who are impaired by substance abuse, the disciplinary authority may enter into a contract with a voluntary substance abuse program under RCW 18.130.175. The program may include any or all of the following:
 - (a) Contracting with providers of treatment programs;
- 31 (b) Receiving and evaluating reports of suspected impairment from 32 any source;
 - (c) Intervening in cases of verified impairment;

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- 34 (d) Referring impaired license holders to treatment programs;
- (e) Monitoring the treatment and rehabilitation of impaired license holders including those ordered by the disciplinary authority;

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- 1 (f) Providing education, prevention of impairment, posttreatment 2 monitoring, and support of rehabilitated impaired license holders; and
- 3 (g) Performing other activities as agreed upon by the disciplinary 4 authority.
- 5 (2) A contract entered into under subsection (1) of this section 6 may be financed by a surcharge on each license issuance or renewal to 7 be collected by the department ((of licensing)) from the license 8 holders of the same regulated health profession. These moneys shall be 9 placed in the health professions account to be used solely for the 10 implementation of the program.
- 11 **Sec. 314.** RCW 18.130.190 and 1991 c 3 s 271 are each amended to 12 read as follows:
- 13 (1) The ((secretary)) disciplinary authority shall investigate 14 complaints concerning practice by unlicensed persons of a profession or business for which a license is required by the chapters specified in 15 16 RCW 18.130.040. In the investigation of the complaints, the ((secretary)) disciplinary authority shall have the same authority as 17 18 provided the ((secretary)) disciplinary authority under RCW 18.130.050. 19 ((The secretary shall issue a cease and desist order to a person after notice and hearing and upon a determination that the person has 20 21 violated this subsection.))
 - (2) The disciplinary authority may issue a notice of intention to issue a cease and desist order to any person whom the disciplinary authority has reason to believe is engaged in the unlicensed practice of a profession or business for which a license is required by the chapters specified in RCW 18.130.040. The person to whom such notice is issued may request an adjudicative proceeding to contest the charges. The request for hearing must be filed within twenty days after service of the notice of intention to issue a cease and desist order. The failure to request a hearing constitutes a default, whereupon the disciplinary authority may enter a permanent cease and desist order, which may include a civil fine. All proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW.
- 34 (3) If the disciplinary authority makes a final determination that
 35 a person has engaged or is engaging in unlicensed practice, the
 36 disciplinary authority may issue a cease and desist order. In
 37 addition, the disciplinary authority may impose a civil fine in an
 38 amount not exceeding five thousand dollars for each day upon which the

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person engaged in unlicensed practice of a business or profession for which a license is required by one or more of the chapters specified in RCW 18.130.040. The proceeds of such fines shall be deposited to the health professions account.

 (4) If the ((secretary)) disciplinary authority makes a written finding of fact that the public interest will be irreparably harmed by delay in issuing an order, the ((secretary)) disciplinary authority may issue a temporary cease and desist order. The person receiving a temporary cease and desist order shall be provided an opportunity for a prompt hearing. The temporary cease and desist order shall remain in effect until further order of the disciplinary authority. The failure to request a prompt or regularly scheduled hearing constitutes a default, whereupon the disciplinary authority may enter a permanent cease and desist order, which may include a civil fine.

(5) Neither the issuance of a cease and desist order nor payment of a civil fine shall ((not)) relieve the person so practicing or operating a business without a license from criminal prosecution therefor, but the remedy of a cease and desist order or civil fine shall be in addition to any criminal liability. The cease and desist order is conclusive proof of unlicensed practice and may be enforced under RCW 7.21.060. This method of enforcement of the cease and desist order or civil fine may be used in addition to, or as an alternative to, any provisions for enforcement of agency orders set out in chapter 34.05 RCW.

((\(\frac{(2)}{)}\)) (6) The attorney general, a county prosecuting attorney, the ((secretary, a board)) disciplinary authority, or any person may in accordance with the laws of this state governing injunctions, maintain an action in the name of this state to enjoin any person practicing a profession or business for which a license is required by the chapters specified in RCW 18.130.040 without a license from engaging in such practice or operating such business until the required license is secured. However, the injunction shall not relieve the person so practicing or operating a business without a license from criminal prosecution therefor, but the remedy by injunction shall be in addition to any criminal liability.

 $((\frac{3}{1}))$ (7) Unlicensed practice of a profession or operating a business for which a license is required by the chapters specified in RCW 18.130.040, unless otherwise exempted by law, constitutes a gross misdemeanor. All fees, fines, forfeitures, and penalties collected or

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- assessed by a court because of a violation of this section shall be
- 2 remitted to the health professions account.

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- 3 Sec. 315. RCW 18.130.270 and 1991 c 332 s 3 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- The ((disciplinary authorities)) health professional licensing 5 boards are authorized to develop and require licensees' participation 6 7 in continuing competency pilot projects for the purpose of developing flexible, cost-efficient, effective, and geographically accessible 8 9 competency assurance methods. The secretary shall establish criteria 10 for development of pilot projects ((and shall select the disciplinary 11 authorities that will participate from among the professions requesting 12 participation)). The department shall administer the projects in mutual cooperation with the ((disciplinary authority)) health 13 14 professional licensing boards under this title and shall allot and 15 administer the budget for each pilot project. The department shall report to the legislature in January of each odd-numbered year 16 concerning the progress and findings of the projects and shall make 17
- Each ((disciplinary authority)) health professional licensing board 20 or the secretary shall establish its pilot project in rule and may 21 22 support the projects from a surcharge on each of the affected profession's license renewal in an amount established by the secretary. 23

recommendations on the expansion of continued competency requirements

- 24 Sec. 316. RCW 18.130.300 and 1984 c 279 s 21 are each amended to 25 read as follows:
- The director of licensing, the secretary, members of the boards, or 26 individuals acting on their behalf are immune from suit in any civil 27 28 action((, civil or criminal,)) based on any disciplinary proceedings or other official acts performed in the course of their duties. 29
- 30 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 317.** A new section is added to chapter 18.130 RCW to read as follows: 31
- 32 COSTS OF DISCIPLINARY ACTIVITIES. Except for individuals subject to chapter 18.39 RCW, the disciplinary authority shall assess a 33 34 surcharge on each license application or renewal to be collected by the department to cover the costs of the provisions of this chapter. These 35 funds shall be placed in the health professions account to be used

- 1 solely for the implementation of this chapter, except for provisions
- 2 funded under RCW 18.130.186.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 318.** A new section is added to chapter 18.39
- 4 RCW to read as follows:
- 5 PRESERVATION OF EXISTING DISCIPLINARY ORDERS--BOARD RULES--
- 6 TRANSITION. Nothing in chapter . . ., Laws of 1993 (this act), shall
- 7 be construed to modify or nullify disciplinary orders or board rules in
- 8 effect prior to the effective date of this act.
- 9 (1) Except for disciplinary matters under the jurisdiction of the
- 10 board of funeral directors and embalmers: (a) Disciplinary cases
- 11 pending on the effective date of this act come under the jurisdiction
- 12 of the secretary for disposition, (b) disciplinary orders issued prior
- 13 to the effective date of this act may be reconsidered by the secretary,
- 14 (c) when a hearing has been conducted prior to the effective date of
- 15 this act, and deliberations have been concluded but a disciplinary
- 16 order not issued, the disciplinary authority shall have thirty days
- 17 from the effective date of this act to issue disciplinary orders and,
- 18 (d) when charges are pending on the effective date of this act, the
- 19 secretary may withdraw or modify the charges or proceed with a hearing
- 20 including a hearing already scheduled.
- 21 (2) Except for rules adopted by the board of funeral directors and
- 22 embalmers: (a) The secretary shall make determinations as to which
- 23 rules enacted prior to the effective date of this act shall come under
- 24 the jurisdiction of the secretary or the jurisdiction of the health
- 25 professional licensing boards, (b) the secretary and health
- 26 professional licensing boards shall assure enforcement of such rules,
- 27 and (c) the secretary and the health professional licensing boards may
- 28 modify or repeal their respective rules pursuant to their rule-making
- 29 authority.
- 30 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 319.** FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND EMBALMERS STUDY.
- 31 The board of funeral directors and embalmers shall report to the health
- 32 policy committees of the legislature by November 15, 1993, with
- 33 recommendations for incorporation of the applicable provisions of
- 34 chapter 18.130 RCW into chapter 18.39 RCW.
- 35 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 320.** A new section is added to chapter 18.130
- 36 RCW to read as follows:

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- DISCIPLINARY AUTHORITY--REQUIRED UNIFORM PROCEDURES. In the performance of its responsibilities under this chapter, the disciplinary authority shall:
- 4 (1) Develop a uniform procedure to respond to public inquiries 5 concerning complaints and their disposition, active investigations, 6 statement of charges, and findings of fact and final orders involving 7 a licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person;

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- (2) Upon making contact with a licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person for the purpose of investigation of a complaint, inform the licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person of the nature of the complaint and the individual's right to obtain legal counsel prior to responding to any inquiries by the disciplinary authority. The licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person shall also be informed that responses to the disciplinary authority's inquiries may be used in adjudicative proceedings;
- (3) Upon issuance of a statement of charges to the licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person, provide full disclosure of pertinent records and other supporting information used in the investigation;
- (4) Develop a uniform procedure for the timely and complete response to a licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person request for discovery, including reasonable interrogatories, request for production and depositions, and reasonable and appropriate request for department staff consultation concerning the investigation of the licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person;
- 25 (5) Not prohibit a licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person from 26 agreeing to sanctions without admitting to a violation of this chapter;
 - (6) Honor a settlement concerning violations of this chapter with a licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person agreed to prior to a hearing, except that such settlements may be disapproved by the disciplinary authority for good cause. In any case, a licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person shall not be denied a hearing in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW;
- (7) Inform witnesses in an investigation that their responses to inquiries may be released to the licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person under investigation should a statement of charges be issued by the disciplinary authority;
- 37 (8) Comply with restrictions on ex parte communications as provided 38 for under RCW 34.05.455;

- (9) Be responsible for the attorneys' fees and other reasonable 1 costs incurred by a licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person for a 2 3 frivolous or malicious appeal or judicial review pursued by the 4 disciplinary authority subsequent to the issuance of findings of fact. In addition, a licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person is responsible 5 for attorneys' fees and other reasonable costs incurred by the 6 7 disciplinary authority for frivolous or malicious appeals or judicial reviews pursued by the licensee, applicant, or unlicensed person 8 9 subsequent to the issuance of findings of fact for violation of this 10 chapter.
- 11 PART 4 TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE
- 12 HEALTH PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE ACTS
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 401. A new section is added to chapter 18.06 RCW to read as follows:
- 15 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 16 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 17 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 18 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 19 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 402. A new section is added to chapter 18.19
- 21 RCW to read as follows:
- 22 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 23 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 24 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 25 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 26 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 403.** A new section is added to chapter 18.22
- 28 RCW to read as follows:
- 29 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 30 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 31 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 32 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 33 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 404.** A new section is added to chapter 18.25
- 2 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 4 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 5 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 6 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 405.** A new section is added to chapter 18.29
- 9 RCW to read as follows:
- 10 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 11 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 12 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 13 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 14 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 406.** A new section is added to chapter 18.32
- 16 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 18 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 19 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 20 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 21 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 22 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 407.** A new section is added to chapter 18.34
- 23 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 25 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 26 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 27 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 28 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 408. A new section is added to chapter 18.35
- 30 RCW to read as follows:
- 31 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 32 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 33 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 34 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 35 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).

- 1 NEW SECTION. Sec. 409. A new section is added to chapter 18.36A
- 2 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 4 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 5 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 6 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 410.** A new section is added to chapter 18.50
- 9 RCW to read as follows:
- 10 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 11 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 12 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 13 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 14 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 411.** A new section is added to chapter 18.52
- 16 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 18 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 19 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 20 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 21 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 412. A new section is added to chapter 18.52C
- 23 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 25 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 26 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 27 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 28 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 413. A new section is added to chapter 18.53
- 30 RCW to read as follows:
- 31 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 32 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 33 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 34 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 35 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 414.** A new section is added to chapter 18.54
- 2 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 4 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 5 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 6 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 415.** A new section is added to chapter 18.55
- 9 RCW to read as follows:
- 10 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 11 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 12 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 13 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 14 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 416. A new section is added to chapter 18.57
- 16 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 18 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 19 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 20 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 21 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 417. A new section is added to chapter 18.57A
- 23 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 25 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 26 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 27 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 28 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 418. A new section is added to chapter 18.59
- 30 RCW to read as follows:
- 31 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 32 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 33 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 34 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 35 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).

- 1 NEW SECTION. Sec. 419. A new section is added to chapter 18.64
- 2 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 4 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 5 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 6 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 420.** A new section is added to chapter 18.64A
- 9 RCW to read as follows:
- 10 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 11 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 12 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 13 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 14 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 421. A new section is added to chapter 18.71
- 16 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 18 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 19 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 20 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 21 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 422. A new section is added to chapter 18.71A
- 23 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 25 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 26 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 27 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 28 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 423. A new section is added to chapter 18.73
- 30 RCW to read as follows:
- 31 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 32 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 33 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 34 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 35 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 424.** A new section is added to chapter 18.74
- 2 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 4 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 5 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 6 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 425.** A new section is added to chapter 18.78
- 9 RCW to read as follows:
- 10 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 11 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 12 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 13 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 14 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 426.** A new section is added to chapter 18.83
- 16 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 18 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 19 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 20 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 21 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 22 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 427.** A new section is added to chapter 18.84
- 23 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 25 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 26 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 27 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 28 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 428. A new section is added to chapter 18.88
- 30 RCW to read as follows:
- 31 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 32 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 33 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 34 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 35 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).

- 1 NEW SECTION. Sec. 429. A new section is added to chapter 18.88A
- 2 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 4 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 5 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 6 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 430.** A new section is added to chapter 18.89
- 9 RCW to read as follows:
- 10 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 11 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 12 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 13 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 14 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 431. A new section is added to chapter 18.92
- 16 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 18 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 19 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 20 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 21 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 432. A new section is added to chapter 18.108
- 23 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 25 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 26 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 27 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 28 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 433. A new section is added to chapter 18.135
- 30 RCW to read as follows:
- 31 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 32 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 33 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 34 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 35 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 434.** A new section is added to chapter 18.138
- 2 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 4 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 5 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 6 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 435.** A new section is added to chapter 18.155
- 9 RCW to read as follows:
- 10 APPLICATION OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORITY. The secretary of
- 11 health shall have the authority to adopt rules, standards, guidelines,
- 12 or judgments relating to the scope of practice of the profession
- 13 regulated under this chapter in accordance with the provisions of
- 14 chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act).
- 15 **Sec. 436.** RCW 18.22.005 and 1990 c 147 s 1 are each amended to
- 16 read as follows:
- 17 The legislature finds that the conduct of podiatric physicians and
- 18 surgeons licensed to practice in this state plays a vital role in
- 19 preserving the public health and well-being. The purpose of this
- 20 chapter is to ((establish an effective public agency to)) regulate the
- 21 practice of podiatric medicine and surgery for the protection and
- 22 promotion of the public health, safety, and welfare ((and to act as a
- 23 disciplinary body for the licensed podiatric physicians and surgeons of
- 24 this state and to ensure that only individuals who meet and maintain
- 25 minimum standards of competence and conduct may obtain a license to
- 26 provide podiatric services to the public)).
- 27 **Sec. 437.** RCW 18.25.005 and 1992 c 241 s 2 are each amended to
- 28 read as follows:
- 29 (1) Chiropractic is the practice of health care that deals with the
- 30 diagnosis or analysis and care or treatment of the vertebral
- 31 subluxation complex and its effects, articular dysfunction, and
- 32 musculoskeletal disorders, all for the restoration and maintenance of
- 33 health and recognizing the recuperative powers of the body.
- 34 (2) Chiropractic treatment or care includes the use of procedures
- 35 involving spinal adjustments, and extremity manipulation insofar as any
- 36 such procedure is complementary or preparatory to a chiropractic spinal

- adjustment. Chiropractic treatment also includes the use of heat, 1 2 cold, water, exercise, massage, trigger point therapy, dietary advice and recommendation of nutritional supplementation except for medicines 3 4 of herbal, animal, or botanical origin, the normal regimen and rehabilitation of the patient, first aid, and counseling on hygiene, 5 sanitation, and preventive measures. Chiropractic care also includes 6 7 such physiological therapeutic procedures as traction and light, but 8 does not include procedures involving the application of sound, 9 diathermy, or electricity.
- (3) As part of a chiropractic differential diagnosis, a chiropractor shall perform a physical examination, which may include diagnostic x-rays, to determine the appropriateness of chiropractic care or the need for referral to other health care providers. The ((chiropractic disciplinary board)) secretary shall provide by rule for the type and use of diagnostic and analytical devices and procedures consistent with this chapter.
- 17 (4) Chiropractic care shall not include the prescription or 18 dispensing of any medicine or drug, the practice of obstetrics or 19 surgery, the use of x-rays or any other form of radiation for 20 therapeutic purposes, colonic irrigation, or any form of venipuncture.
- (5) Nothing in this chapter prohibits or restricts any other practitioner of a "health profession" defined in RCW 18.120.020(4) from performing any functions or procedures the practitioner is licensed or permitted to perform, and the term "chiropractic" as defined in this chapter shall not prohibit a practitioner licensed under chapter 18.71 RCW from performing medical procedures, except such procedures shall not include the adjustment by hand of any articulation of the spine.
- 28 **Sec. 438.** RCW 18.25.019 and 1987 c 150 s 12 are each amended to 29 read as follows:
- The uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, governs unlicensed practice and the issuance and denial of licenses and the disciplining of licensees under this chapter.
- 33 **Sec. 439.** RCW 18.25.180 and 1991 c 222 s 9 are each amended to 34 read as follows:
- 35 (1) A chiropractor may employ a technician to operate x-ray 36 equipment after the technician has registered with the ((board)) 37 secretary.

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- 1 (2) The ((board)) secretary may adopt rules necessary and 2 appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section.
- 3 **Sec. 440.** RCW 18.26.030 and 1986 c 259 s 25 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- 5 (1) In addition to those acts defined in chapter 18.130 RCW, the 6 term "unprofessional conduct" as used in this chapter ((and chapter 7 18.25 RCW)) includes failing to differentiate chiropractic care from 8 any and all other methods of healing at all times.
- 9 (2) Proceedings involving alleged unprofessional conduct shall be conducted by the attorney general upon the direction of the ((board)) secretary.
- 12 **Sec. 441.** RCW 18.26.330 and 1991 c 320 s 2 are each amended to 13 read as follows:
- 14 (1)The ((board)) secretary shall appoint the peer review 15 committee, which shall be constituted as follows: The chair of the peer review committee shall be a member of the board and shall not vote 16 17 except to break a tie; one chiropractor from each congressional 18 district; one independent member representative of the health insurance industry; and one representative from the department of labor and 19 20 industries. The term of appointment of peer review committee members 21 shall be one year, and no member shall serve more than four consecutive 22 terms. The ((board)) secretary may appoint additional pro tem members 23 as necessary. Chiropractor members shall have at least five years of 24 active practice in this state. The ((board)) secretary shall adopt 25 rules establishing other qualifications for appointment of the chiropractic members to the peer review committee, including rules to 26 avoid conflict of interest or the appearance of conflict of interest. 27
- (2) The peer review committee may be compensated in accordance with RCW 43.03.240 and may be paid travel expenses while engaged in the business of the committee in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.
- 32 **Sec. 442.** RCW 18.26.340 and 1991 c 320 s 3 are each amended to 33 read as follows:
- 34 (1) A patient, a patient's representative, an insurer, an agency of 35 the state of Washington, or a chiropractor may request a peer review 36 proceeding by submitting an inquiry about services rendered to a

patient by a chiropractor. The ((board)) secretary shall, in ((its))

his or her discretion, determine whether the inquiry should be reviewed

as a peer review proceeding, as a matter for possible voluntary

mediation, or as a disciplinary proceeding. Peer review shall not be

used to replace the independent medical/chiropractic examination.

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- 6 (2) Request for peer review constitutes consent to submission by
 7 the requesting party of all necessary records and other information
 8 concerning the chiropractic services rendered. Chiropractors licensed
 9 under this chapter who are a party to the peer review are required to
 10 submit all necessary records and other information concerning services
 11 rendered by the chiropractor.
- (3) All costs associated with conducting peer review under this chapter shall be borne by the chiropractic profession as part of the licensing fees. Notwithstanding, the ((board)) secretary shall assess a fee to cover the costs of the review when the requesting party is a chiropractor or a third-party payor.
- 17 **Sec. 443.** RCW 18.26.350 and 1991 c 320 s 4 are each amended to 18 read as follows:
- 19 (1) The peer review committee may review matters regarding the appropriateness, quality, utilization, or cost of chiropractic services 20 21 The peer review committee on each review shall include in 22 its findings a determination whether appropriate chiropractic treatment 23 was rendered, whether the services rendered were properly utilized 24 services, whether treatment or services rendered or ordered were 25 appropriate in accordance with accepted standards, and whether the fees charged were excessive or not. 26
- 27 (2) The committee may appoint subcommittees to assist it in 28 conducting peer review. All activities of the subcommittees shall be 29 reviewed and approved or disapproved by the committee.
- 30 (3) The peer review committee shall submit to all parties and to 31 the board <u>and the secretary</u> a decision setting forth the committee's 32 findings and recommendations.
- (4) Any party may appeal the decision to the ((board)) secretary.

 The ((board)) secretary, on the record of the peer review committee,

 may return the proceeding with recommendations to the committee for

 reconsideration, may initiate disciplinary proceedings, or may approve

 the decision of the peer review committee, or may take any combination

 of the above actions.

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- 1 **Sec. 444.** RCW 18.26.360 and 1991 c 320 s 5 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
- The peer review committee shall file with the ((board)) secretary
- 4 a complaint against a chiropractor if the committee determines that
- 5 reasonable cause exists to believe the chiropractor has committed
- 6 unprofessional conduct. The peer review committee shall transmit all
- 7 information pertinent to the complaint to the ((board)) secretary.
- 8 Such information shall be confidential and shall be used solely for
- 9 disciplinary purposes.
- 10 **Sec. 445.** RCW 18.26.370 and 1991 c 320 s 6 are each amended to
- 11 read as follows:
- The ((board)) secretary shall prepare a biennial report summarizing
- 13 its peer review decisions and shall include such report as part of the
- 14 ((board's)) secretary's report requirements under RCW 18.130.310. The
- 15 published summary of peer review decisions shall not be used and shall
- 16 not serve as the basis for establishing appropriate fee schedules or
- 17 treatment regimes for the profession.
- 18 **Sec. 446.** RCW 18.26.390 and 1991 c 320 s 11 are each amended to
- 19 read as follows:
- The ((board)) secretary may adopt rules necessary and appropriate
- 21 to implement RCW 18.26.320 through 18.26.380 (as recodified by this
- 22 <u>act)</u>.
- 23 **Sec. 447.** RCW 18.32.195 and 1992 c 59 s 1 are each amended to read
- 24 as follows:
- The board may, without examination, issue a license to persons who
- 26 possess the qualifications set forth in this section.
- 27 (1) The board may, upon written request of the dean of the school
- 28 of dentistry of the University of Washington, issue a license to
- 29 practice dentistry in this state to persons who have been licensed or
- 30 otherwise authorized to practice dentistry in another state or country
- 31 and who have been accepted for employment by the school of dentistry as
- 32 full-time faculty members. For purposes of this subsection, this means
- 33 teaching members of the faculty of the school of dentistry of the
- 34 University of Washington who are so employed on a one hundred percent
- 35 of work time basis. Such license shall permit the holder thereof to
- 36 practice dentistry within the confines of the university facilities for

- a period of one year while he or she is so employed as a full-time faculty member by the school of dentistry of the University of Washington. It shall terminate whenever the holder ceases to be such a full-time faculty member. Such license shall permit the holder thereof to practice dentistry only in connection with his or her duties in employment with the school of dentistry of the University of Washington. This limitation shall be stated on the license.
- 8 (2) The board may, upon written request of the dean of the school 9 of dentistry of the University of Washington, issue a limited license 10 to practice dentistry in this state to university residents in 11 postgraduate dental education. The license shall permit the resident 12 dentist to provide dental care only in connection with his or her 13 duties as a university resident.
- (3) The board may condition the granting of a license under this 14 15 section with terms the board deems appropriate. All persons licensed 16 under this section ((shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the dental 17 disciplinary board to the same extent as other members of the dental profession, in accordance with this chapter, and in addition the 18 19 licensee)) may be disciplined by the ((dental disciplinary board)) secretary after a hearing has been held in accordance with the 20 provisions set forth in this chapter, and determination by the ((dental 21 disciplinary board)) secretary that such licensee has violated any of 22 the restrictions set forth in this section. 23
- 24 (4) Persons applying for licensure pursuant to this section shall 25 pay the application fee determined by the secretary and, in the event 26 the license applied for is issued, a license fee at the rate provided for licenses generally. After review by the board of dental examiners, 27 licenses issued under this section may be renewed annually if the 28 licensee continues to be employed as a full-time faculty member of the 29 30 school of dentistry of the University of Washington, or a university resident in postgraduate dental education, and otherwise meets the 31 requirements of the provisions and conditions deemed appropriate by the 32 33 board of dental examiners. Any person who obtains a license pursuant to this section may, without an additional application fee, apply for 34 35 licensure under this chapter, in which case the applicant shall be subject to examination and the other requirements of this chapter. 36
- 37 **Sec. 448.** RCW 18.32.640 and 1988 c 217 s 1 are each amended to 38 read as follows:

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- 1 (1) The ((board)) secretary may adopt, amend, and rescind such 2 rules as it deems necessary to carry out this chapter.
- 3 (2) The ((board)) <u>secretary</u> may adopt rules governing 4 administration of sedation and general anesthesia by persons licensed 5 under this chapter, including necessary training, education, equipment, 6 and the issuance of any permits, certificates, or registration as
- 7 required.
- 8 **Sec. 449.** RCW 18.32.655 and 1986 c 259 s 35 are each amended to 9 read as follows:
- 10 (1) The (($\frac{\text{dental disciplinary board}}{\text{dental be ((<math>\frac{\text{its}}{\text{old}})}}$) secretary has the power and 11 it shall be (($\frac{\text{its}}{\text{old}}$)) the secretary's duty to(($\frac{\text{its}}{\text{old}}$)
- 12 (1)) require licensed dentists to keep and maintain a copy of each
 13 laboratory referral instruction, describing detailed services rendered,
- 14 for a period to be determined by the ((board)) secretary but not more
- 15 than three years, and to require the production of all such records for
- 16 examination by the ((board)) secretary or ((its)) the secretary's
- 17 authorized representatives((; and)).
- 18 (2) ((Promulgate reasonable rules and regulations requiring
- 19 licensed dentists to make, maintain and produce for examination by the
- 20 board or its authorized representatives such other records as may be
- 21 reasonable and proper in the performance of its duties and enforcing
- 22 the provisions of this chapter)) The secretary may adopt rules as are
- 23 necessary to carry out the intent of this section.
- 24 **Sec. 450.** RCW 18.35.110 and 1987 c 150 s 22 are each amended to
- 25 read as follows:
- 26 In addition to causes specified under RCW 18.130.170 and
- 27 18.130.180, any person licensed under this chapter may be subject to
- 28 disciplinary action by the ((council)) secretary for any of the
- 29 following causes:
- 30 (1) For unethical conduct in dealing in hearing aids. Unethical
- 31 conduct shall include, but not be limited to:
- 32 (a) Using or causing or promoting the use of, in any advertising
- 33 matter, promotional literature, testimonial, guarantee, warranty,
- 34 label, brand, insignia, or any other representation, however
- 35 disseminated or published, which is false, misleading or deceptive;

- 1 (b) Failing or refusing to honor or to perform as represented any 2 representation, promise, agreement, or warranty in connection with the 3 promotion, sale, dispensing, or fitting of the hearing aid;
- 4 (c) Advertising a particular model, type, or kind of hearing aid 5 for sale which purchasers or prospective purchasers responding to the 6 advertisement cannot purchase or are dissuaded from purchasing and 7 where it is established that the purpose of the advertisement is to 8 obtain prospects for the sale of a different model, type, or kind than 9 that advertised;
- 10 (d) Falsifying hearing test or evaluation results;
- (e)(i) Whenever any of the following conditions are found or should 11 have been found to exist either from observations by the licensee or on 12 13 the basis of information furnished by the prospective hearing aid user prior to fitting and dispensing a hearing aid to any such prospective 14 15 hearing aid user, failing to advise that prospective hearing aid user 16 in writing that the user should first consult a licensed physician 17 specializing in diseases of the ear or if no such licensed physician is available in the community then to any duly licensed physician: 18
- 19 (A) Visible congenital or traumatic deformity of the ear, including 20 perforation of the eardrum;
- 21 (B) History of, or active drainage from the ear within the previous 22 ninety days;
- (C) History of sudden or rapidly progressive hearing loss within the previous ninety days;
- 25 (D) Acute or chronic dizziness;

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- (E) Any unilateral hearing loss;
- 27 (F) Significant air-bone gap when generally acceptable standards 28 have been established as defined by the food and drug administration;
- 29 (G) Visible evidence of significant cerumen accumulation or a 30 foreign body in the ear canal;
- 31 (H) Pain or discomfort in the ear; or
- 32 (I) Any other conditions that the department may by rule establish.
- 33 It is a violation of this subsection for any licensee or that
- 34 licensee's employees and putative agents upon making such required
- 35 referral for medical opinion to in any manner whatsoever disparage or
- 36 discourage a prospective hearing aid user from seeking such medical
- 37 opinion prior to the fitting and dispensing of a hearing aid. No such
- 38 referral for medical opinion need be made by any licensee in the
- 39 instance of replacement only of a hearing aid which has been lost or

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damaged beyond repair within six months of the date of purchase. 2 licensee or the licensee's employees or putative agents shall obtain a signed statement from the hearing aid user documenting the waiver of 3 4 medical clearance and the waiver shall inform the prospective user that signing the waiver is not in the user's best health interest: 5 PROVIDED, That the licensee shall maintain a copy of either the 6 7 physician's statement showing that the prospective hearing aid user has 8 had a medical evaluation or the statement waiving medical evaluation, 9 for a period of three years after the purchaser's receipt of a hearing 10 Nothing in this section required to be performed by a licensee 11 shall mean that the licensee is engaged in the diagnosis of illness or 12 the practice of medicine or any other activity prohibited under the 13 laws of this state;

- (ii) Fitting and dispensing a hearing aid to any person under eighteen years of age who has not been examined and cleared for hearing aid use within the previous six months by a physician specializing in otolaryngology except in the case of replacement instruments or except in the case of the parents or guardian of such person refusing, for good cause, to seek medical opinion: PROVIDED, That should the parents or guardian of such person refuse, for good cause, to seek medical opinion, the licensee shall obtain from such parents or quardian a certificate to that effect in a form as prescribed by the department; (iii) Fitting and dispensing a hearing aid to any person under eighteen years of age who has not been examined by an audiologist who holds at least a master's degree in audiology for recommendations during the previous six months, without first advising such person or his or her parents or guardian in writing that he or she should first consult an audiologist who holds at least a master's degree in audiology, except in cases of hearing aids replaced within six months
- 31 (f) Representing that the services or advice of a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery under chapter 18.71 RCW or osteopathy 32 and surgery under chapter 18.57 RCW or of a clinical audiologist will 33 be used or made available in the selection, fitting, adjustment, 34 35 maintenance, or repair of hearing aids when that is not true, or using the word "doctor," "clinic," or other like words, abbreviations, or 36 37 symbols which tend to connote a medical or osteopathic profession when such use is not accurate; 38
 - (g) Permitting another to use his or her license;

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- (h) Stating or implying that the use of any hearing aid will restore normal hearing, preserve hearing, prevent or retard progression of a hearing impairment, or any other false, misleading, or medically or audiologically unsupportable claim regarding the efficiency of a hearing aid;
- 6 (i) Representing or implying that a hearing aid is or will be 7 "custom-made," "made to order," "prescription made," or in any other 8 sense specially fabricated for an individual when that is not the case; 9 or
- (j) Directly or indirectly offering, giving, permitting, or causing to be given, money or anything of value to any person who advised another in a professional capacity as an inducement to influence that person, or to have that person influence others to purchase or contract to purchase any product sold or offered for sale by the licensee, or to influence any person to refrain from dealing in the products of competitors.
- 17 (2) Engaging in any unfair or deceptive practice or unfair method 18 of competition in trade within the meaning of RCW 19.86.020 as now or 19 hereafter amended.
- 20 (3) Aiding or abetting any violation of the rebating laws as stated 21 in chapter 19.68 RCW.
- 22 **Sec. 451.** RCW 18.35.161 and 1987 c 150 s 23 are each amended to 23 read as follows:
- 24 The council shall have the following powers and duties:
- 25 (1) To establish by rule such minimum standards and procedures in 26 the fitting and dispensing of hearing aids as deemed appropriate and in 27 the public interest;
- 28 (2) To develop guidelines on the training and supervision of 29 trainees;
- 30 (3) To adopt any other rules or regulations necessary to implement 31 this chapter and which are not inconsistent with it; and
- 32 (4) To develop, approve, and administer all licensing examinations 33 required by this chapter((; and)
- (5) To require a licensee to make restitution to any individual injured by a violation of this chapter or chapter 18.130 RCW, the uniform disciplinary act. The authority to require restitution does not limit the council's authority to take other action deemed appropriate and provided for in this chapter or chapter 18.130 RCW)).

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1 **Sec. 452.** RCW 18.57.035 and 1991 c 160 s 9 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

3 The board may grant approval to issue without examination a license 4 an osteopathic physician and surgeon in a board-approved 5 postgraduate training program in this state if the applicant files an application and meets all the requirements for licensure set forth in 6 7 RCW 18.57.020 except for completion of one year of postgraduate 8 training. The secretary shall issue a postgraduate osteopathic 9 medicine and surgery license that permits the physician in postgraduate 10 training to practice osteopathic medicine and surgery only in connection with his or her duties as a physician in postgraduate 11 training and does not authorize the physician to engage in any other 12 13 form of practice. Each physician in postgraduate training shall practice osteopathic medicine and surgery only under the supervision of 14 15 a physician licensed in this state under this chapter or chapter 18.71 16 RCW, but such supervision shall not be construed to necessarily require 17 the personal presence of the supervising physician at the place where services are rendered. 18

All persons licensed under this section shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the ((board of osteopathic medicine and surgery))

21 secretary as set forth in this chapter and chapter 18.130 RCW.

22 Persons applying for licensure pursuant to this section shall pay 23 an application and renewal fee determined by the secretary as provided 24 in RCW 43.70.250. Licenses issued hereunder may be renewed annually. 25 Any person who obtains a license pursuant to this section may, apply 26 for licensure under this chapter, but shall submit a new application 27 form and comply with all other licensing requirements of this chapter.

- 28 **Sec. 453.** RCW 18.64.160 and 1985 c 7 s 60 are each amended to read 29 as follows:
- 30 ((The board of pharmacy shall have the power to refuse, suspend, or
- 31 revoke)) In addition to the grounds under RCW 18.130.170 and
- 32 18.130.180, the secretary may take disciplinary action against the
- 33 license of any pharmacist or intern upon proof that:
- 34 (1) His or her license was procured through fraud,
- 35 misrepresentation, or deceit;
- 36 (2) ((He or she has been convicted of a felony relating to his or

37 her practice as a pharmacist;

(3) He or she has committed any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, or corruption, if the act committed directly relates to the pharmacist's fitness to practice pharmacy. Upon such conviction, however, the judgment and sentence shall be conclusive evidence at the ensuing disciplinary hearing of the guilt of the respondent pharmacist of the crime described in the indictment or information, and of his or her violation of the statute upon which it is based;

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- (4) He or she is unfit to practice pharmacy because of habitual intemperance in the use of alcoholic beverages, drugs, controlled substances, or any other substance which impairs the performance of professional duties;
- 12 (5) He or she exhibits behavior which may be due to physical or
 13 mental impairment, which creates an undue risk of causing harm to him
 14 or herself or to other persons when acting as a licensed pharmacist or
 15 intern;
- 16 (6) He or she has incompetently or negligently practiced pharmacy,
 17 creating an unreasonable risk of harm to any individual;
 - (7) His or her legal authority to practice pharmacy, issued by any other properly constituted licensing authority of any other state, has been and is currently suspended or revoked;
 - (8))) In the event that a pharmacist is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be mentally incompetent, the pharmacist shall automatically have his or her license suspended by the board upon the entry of the judgment, regardless of the pendency of an appeal;
 - $((\frac{(9)}{)})$ (3) He or she has knowingly violated or permitted the violation of any provision of any state or federal law, rule, or regulation governing the possession, use, distribution, or dispensing of drugs, including, but not limited to, the violation of any provision of this chapter, Title 69 RCW, or rule or regulation of the board;
- (((10))) <u>(4)</u> He or she has knowingly allowed any unlicensed person to take charge of a pharmacy or engage in the practice of pharmacy, except a pharmacy intern or pharmacy assistant acting as authorized in this chapter or chapter 18.64A RCW in the presence of and under the immediate supervision of a licensed pharmacist;
 - $((\frac{11}{11}))$ (5) He or she has compounded, dispensed, or caused the compounding or dispensing of any drug or device which contains more or less than the equivalent quantity of ingredient or ingredients specified by the person who prescribed such drug or device((\div PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That)). Nothing herein shall be construed to

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- 1 prevent the pharmacist from exercising professional judgment in the
- 2 preparation or providing of such drugs or devices.
- 3 ((In any case of the refusal, suspension, or revocation of a
- 4 license by said board of pharmacy under the provisions of this chapter,
- 5 said board shall proceed in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW.))
- 6 **Sec. 454.** RCW 18.64.245 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 402 and 1989 c
- 7 352 s 2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 8 Every proprietor or manager of a pharmacy shall keep readily
- 9 available a suitable record of prescriptions which shall preserve for
- 10 a period of not less than two years the record of every prescription
- 11 dispensed at such pharmacy which shall be numbered, dated, and filed,
- 12 and shall produce the same in court or before any grand jury whenever
- 13 lawfully required to do so. The record shall be maintained either
- 14 separately from all other records of the pharmacy or in such form that
- 15 the information required is readily retrievable from ordinary business
- 16 records of the pharmacy. All record-keeping requirements for
- 17 controlled substances must be complied with. Such record of
- 18 prescriptions shall be for confidential use in the pharmacy, only. The
- 19 record of prescriptions shall be open for inspection by the board of
- 20 pharmacy, the secretary, or any officer of the law, who is authorized
- 21 to enforce chapter 18.64, 69.41, or 69.50 RCW.
- 22 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 455.** A new section is added to chapter 18.64
- 23 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 PHARMACISTS--APPLICATION OF THE UNIFORM DISCIPLINARY ACT. The
- 25 uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, governs unlicensed
- 26 practice, the issuance and denial of licenses, and the discipline of
- 27 licensees under this chapter.
- 28 **Sec. 456.** RCW 18.64A.050 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 424 are each
- 29 amended to read as follows:
- 30 ((The board of pharmacy shall have the power to refuse, suspend, or
- 31 revoke)) In addition to the grounds under RCW 18.130.170 and
- 32 18.130.180, the disciplinary authority under chapter 18.130 RCW may
- 33 take disciplinary action against the certificate of any pharmacy
- 34 assistant upon proof that:
- 35 (1) His or her certificate was procured through fraud,
- 36 misrepresentation or deceit;

- 1 (2) He or she has been found guilty of any offense in violation of 2 the laws of this state relating to drugs, poisons, cosmetics or drug 3 sundries by any court of competent jurisdiction. Nothing herein shall 4 be construed to affect or alter the provisions of RCW 9.96A.020;
- 5 (3) ((He or she is unfit to perform his or her duties because of 6 habitual intoxication or abuse of controlled substances;
- 7 (4)) He or she has exhibited gross incompetency in the performance 8 of his or her duties;
- 9 ((+5)) (4) He or she has willfully or repeatedly violated any of 10 the rules and regulations of the board of pharmacy or of the 11 department;
- $((\frac{(6)}{(6)}))$ (5) He or she has willfully or repeatedly performed duties beyond the scope of his or her certificate in violation of the provisions of this chapter; or
- 15 $((\frac{7}{1}))$ (6) He or she has impersonated a licensed pharmacist.
- ((In any case of the refusal, suspension or revocation of a certificate by the board, a hearing shall be conducted in accordance with RCW 18.64.160, as now or hereafter amended, and appeal may be taken in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, chapter
- 20 34.05 RCW.))
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 457. A new section is added to chapter 18.64 22 RCW to read as follows:
- 23 PHARMACY ASSISTANTS--APPLICATION OF THE UNIFORM DISCIPLINARY ACT.
- 24 The uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, governs unlicensed
- 25 practice, the issuance and denial of licenses, and the discipline of
- 26 licensees under this chapter.
- 27 **Sec. 458.** RCW 18.71.019 and 1987 c 150 s 45 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
- 29 The uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, governs
- 30 unlicensed practice and the issuance ((and)), denial of licenses, and
- 31 the discipline of licensees under this chapter.
- 32 Sec. 459. RCW 18.71.030 and 1990 c 196 s 12 and 1990 c 33 s 552
- 33 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to apply to or interfere
- 35 in any way with the practice of religion or any kind of treatment by
- 36 prayer; nor shall anything in this chapter be construed to prohibit:

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- 1 (1) The furnishing of medical assistance in cases of emergency 2 requiring immediate attention;
 - (2) The domestic administration of family remedies;

- (3) The administration of oral medication of any nature to students by public school district employees or private elementary or secondary school employees as provided for in chapter 28A.210 RCW;
- 7 (4) The practice of dentistry, osteopathy, osteopathy and surgery,
 8 nursing, chiropractic, ((podiatry)) podiatric medicine and surgery,
 9 optometry, naturopathy or any other healing art licensed under the
 10 methods or means permitted by such license;
 - (5) The practice of medicine in this state by any commissioned medical officer serving in the armed forces of the United States or public health service or any medical officer on duty with the United States veterans administration while such medical officer is engaged in the performance of the duties prescribed for him or her by the laws and regulations of the United States;
 - (6) The practice of medicine by any practitioner licensed by another state or territory in which he or she resides, provided that such practitioner shall not open an office or appoint a place of meeting patients or receiving calls within this state;
 - (7) The practice of medicine by a person who is a regular student in a school of medicine approved and accredited by the board, however, the performance of such services be only pursuant to a regular course of instruction or assignments from his or her instructor, or that such services are performed only under the supervision and control of a person licensed pursuant to this chapter;
 - (8) The practice of medicine by a person serving a period of postgraduate medical training in a program of clinical medical training sponsored by a college or university in this state or by a hospital accredited in this state, however, the performance of such services shall be only pursuant to his or her duties as a trainee;
 - (9) The practice of medicine by a person who is regularly enrolled in a physician assistant program approved by the board, however, the performance of such services (({shall})) shall be only pursuant to a regular course of instruction in said program and such services are performed only under the supervision and control of a person licensed pursuant to this chapter;

(10) The practice of medicine by a licensed physician assistant which practice is performed under the supervision and control of a physician licensed pursuant to this chapter;

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- 4 (11) The practice of medicine, in any part of this state which 5 shares a common border with Canada and which is surrounded on three 6 sides by water, by a physician licensed to practice medicine and 7 surgery in Canada or any province or territory thereof;
- 8 (12) The administration of nondental anesthesia by a dentist who 9 has completed a residency in anesthesiology at a school of medicine 10 approved by the board of medical examiners, however, a dentist allowed to administer nondental anesthesia shall do so only under authorization 11 of the patient's attending surgeon, obstetrician, or psychiatrist and 12 13 the ((medical disciplinary board)) secretary shall have jurisdiction to discipline a dentist practicing under this exemption and enjoin or 14 15 suspend such dentist from the practice of nondental anesthesia 16 according to the provisions of chapter ((18.72 RCW and chapter)) 18.130 17 RCW;
- 18 (13) Emergency lifesaving service rendered by a physician's trained 19 mobile intravenous therapy technician, by a physician's trained mobile 20 airway management technician, or by a physician's trained mobile 21 intensive care paramedic, as defined in RCW 18.71.200, if the emergency 22 lifesaving service is rendered under the responsible supervision and 23 control of a licensed physician;
- (14) The provision of clean, intermittent bladder catheterization for students by public school district employees or private school employees as provided for in RCW 18.88.295 and 28A.210.280.
- 27 **Sec. 460.** RCW 18.71.095 and 1991 c 3 s 164 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
- The board may, without examination, issue a limited license to persons who possess the qualifications set forth herein:
- (1) The board may, upon the written request of the secretary of the department of social and health services or the secretary of corrections, issue a limited license to practice medicine in this state to persons who have been accepted for employment by the department of social and health services or the department of corrections as physicians; who are licensed to practice medicine in another state of the United States or in the country of Canada or any province or

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territory thereof; and who meet all of the qualifications for licensure 1 set forth in RCW 18.71.050.

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Such license shall permit the holder thereof to practice medicine only in connection with patients, residents, or inmates of the state institutions under the control and supervision of the secretary of the department of social and health services or the department of corrections.

(2) The board may issue a limited license to practice medicine in this state to persons who have been accepted for employment by a county or city health department as physicians; who are licensed to practice medicine in another state of the United States or in the country of Canada or any province or territory thereof; and who meet all of the qualifications for licensure set forth in RCW 18.71.050.

Such license shall permit the holder thereof to practice medicine only in connection with his or her duties in employment with the city or county health department.

- (3) Upon receipt of a completed application showing that the applicant meets all of the requirements for licensure set forth in RCW 18.71.050 except for completion of two years of postgraduate medical training, and that the applicant has been appointed as a resident physician in a program of postgraduate clinical training in this state approved by the board, the board may issue a limited license to a resident physician. Such license shall permit the resident physician to practice medicine only in connection with his or her duties as a resident physician and shall not authorize the physician to engage in any other form of practice. Each resident physician shall practice medicine only under the supervision and control of a physician licensed in this state, but such supervision and control shall not be construed to necessarily require the personal presence of the supervising physician at the place where services are rendered.
- 31 (4)(a) Upon nomination by the dean of the school of medicine at the University of Washington or the chief executive officer of a hospital 32 or other appropriate health care facility licensed in the state of 33 34 Washington, the board may issue a limited license to a physician 35 applicant invited to serve as a teaching-research member of the institution's instructional staff if the sponsoring institution and the 36 37 applicant give evidence that he or she has graduated from a recognized medical school and has been licensed or otherwise privileged to 38 39 practice medicine at his or her location of origin. Such license shall

permit the recipient to practice medicine only within the confines of 2 the instructional program specified in the application and shall terminate whenever the holder ceases to be involved in that program, or 3 4 at the end of one year, whichever is earlier. Upon request of the 5 applicant and the institutional authority, the license may be renewed for no more than a total of two years. 6

7 (b) Upon nomination by the dean of the school of medicine of the 8 University of Washington or the chief executive officer of any hospital 9 appropriate health care facility licensed in the state of Washington, the board may issue a limited license to an applicant selected by the sponsoring institution to be enrolled in one of its designated departmental or divisional fellowship programs provided that 12 13 the applicant shall have graduated from a recognized medical school and has been granted a license or other appropriate certificate to practice 14 medicine in the location of the applicant's origin. Such license shall permit the holder only to practice medicine within the confines of the 16 17 fellowship program to which he or she has been appointed and, upon the request of the applicant and the sponsoring institution, the license 19 may be renewed by the board for no more than a total of two years.

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20 All persons licensed under this section shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the ((medical disciplinary board)) secretary to the 21 same extent as other members of the medical profession, in accordance 22 23 with chapter ((s 18.72 and)) 18.130 RCW.

24 Persons applying for licensure pursuant to this section shall pay 25 an application fee determined by the secretary as provided in RCW 26 43.70.250 and, in the event the license applied for is issued, a license fee at the rate provided for renewals of licenses generally. 27 Licenses issued hereunder may be renewed annually pursuant to the 28 provisions of RCW 18.71.080. Any person who obtains a limited license 29 30 pursuant to this section may, without an additional application fee, apply for licensure under this chapter, but shall submit a new 31 application form and comply with all other licensing requirements of 32 33 this chapter.

34 Sec. 461. RCW 18.71.230 and 1986 c 259 s 112 are each amended to read as follows: 35

A right to practice medicine and surgery by an individual in this state pursuant to RCW 18.71.030 (5) through (12) shall be subject to discipline by order of the ((board)) secretary upon a finding by the 38

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- 1 ((board)) secretary of an act of unprofessional conduct as defined in
- 2 RCW 18.130.180 or that the individual is unable to practice with
- 3 reasonable skill or safety due to a mental or physical condition as
- 4 described in RCW 18.130.170. Such physician shall have the same rights
- 5 of notice, hearing and judicial review as provided licensed physicians
- 6 generally pursuant to chapter((s 18.72 and)) 18.130 RCW.
- 7 **Sec. 462.** RCW 18.72.165 and 1986 c 300 s 5 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
- 9 (1) A licensed health care professional licensed under chapter
- 10 18.71 RCW shall report to the ((medical disciplinary board)) secretary
- 11 when he or she has personal knowledge that a practicing physician has
- 12 either committed an act or acts which may constitute statutorily
- 13 defined unprofessional conduct or that a practicing physician may be
- 14 unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to
- 15 patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, excessive use of drugs,
- 16 narcotics, chemicals, or any other type of material, or as a result of
- 17 any mental or physical conditions.
- 18 (2) Reporting under this section is not required by:
- 19 (a) An appropriately appointed peer review committee member of a
- 20 licensed hospital or by an appropriately designated professional review
- 21 committee member of a county or state medical society during the
- 22 investigative phase of their respective operations if these
- 23 investigations are completed in a timely manner; or
- 24 (b) A treating licensed health care professional of a physician
- 25 currently involved in a treatment program as long as the physician
- 26 patient actively participates in the treatment program and the
- 27 physician patient's impairment does not constitute a clear and present
- 28 danger to the public health, safety, or welfare.
- 29 (3) The ((medical disciplinary board)) secretary may impose
- 30 disciplinary sanctions, including license suspension or revocation, on
- 31 any health care professional subject to the jurisdiction of the board
- 32 who has failed to comply with this section.
- 33 **Sec. 463.** RCW 18.72.265 and 1986 c 259 s 117 are each amended to
- 34 read as follows:
- 35 (1) The contents of any report file under RCW 18.130.070 shall be
- 36 confidential and exempt from public disclosure pursuant to chapter
- 37 42.17 RCW, except that it may be reviewed (a) by the licensee involved

- or his counsel or authorized representative who may submit any additional exculpatory or explanatory statements or other information, which statements or other information shall be included in the file, or (b) by ((a representative of the medical disciplinary board)) the secretary, or investigator thereof, who has been assigned to review the
- 7 Upon a determination that a report is without merit, the 8 $((\frac{board's}{s}))$ secretary's records may be purged of information relating 9 to the report.

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- 10 (2) Every individual, medical association, medical 11 hospital, medical service bureau, health insurance carrier or agent, professional liability insurance carrier, professional standards review 12 13 organization, and agency of the federal, state, or local government shall be immune from civil liability, whether direct or derivative, for 14 15 providing information to the board subsequent to RCW 18.130.070, or for which an individual health care provider has immunity under the 16 17 provisions of RCW 4.24.240, 4.24.250, or 4.24.260, as now or hereafter amended. 18
- 19 **Sec. 464.** RCW 18.72.340 and 1986 c 300 s 6 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
- 21 (1) Every institution or organization providing professional 22 liability insurance to physicians shall send a complete report to the 23 ((medical disciplinary board)) secretary of all 24 settlements, awards, or payments in excess of ((twenty)) one hundred 25 thousand dollars as a result of a claim or action for damages alleged to have been caused by an insured physician's incompetency or 26 negligence in the practice of medicine. Such institution or 27 organization shall also report the award, settlement, or payment of 28 29 three or more claims during a ((year)) five-year time period as the 30 result of the alleged physician's incompetence or negligence in the practice of medicine regardless of the dollar amount of the award or 31 32 payment.
- 33 (2) Reports required by this section shall be made within sixty 34 days of the date of the settlement or verdict. Failure to comply with 35 this section is punishable by a civil penalty not to exceed two hundred 36 fifty dollars.

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- 1 **Sec. 465.** RCW 18.72.345 and 1991 c 215 s 2 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
- To assist in identifying impairment related to alcohol abuse, the 4 ((board)) secretary may obtain a copy of the driving record of a
- 5 physician or a physician assistant maintained by the department of
- 6 licensing.
- 7 **Sec. 466.** RCW 18.74.090 and 1991 c 3 s 181 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
- 9 A person who is not licensed with the secretary of health as a
- 10 physical therapist under the requirements of this chapter shall not
- 11 represent him or herself as being so licensed and shall not use in
- 12 connection with his or her name the words or letters "P.T.", "R.P.T.",
- 13 "L.P.T.", "physical therapy", "physiotherapy", "physical therapist" or
- 14 "physiotherapist", or any other letters, words, signs, numbers, or
- 15 insignia indicating or implying that he or she is a physical therapist.
- 16 No person may practice physical therapy without first having a valid
- 17 license. Nothing in this chapter prohibits any person licensed in this
- 18 state under any other act from engaging in the practice for which he or
- 19 she is licensed. It shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney of
- 20 each county to prosecute all cases involving a violation of this
- 21 chapter arising within his or her county. The attorney general may
- 22 assist in such prosecution and shall appear at all hearings when
- 23 requested to do so by the ((board)) secretary.
- 24 **Sec. 467.** RCW 18.83.050 and 1991 c 3 s 196 are each amended to
- 25 read as follows:
- 26 (1) The board shall adopt such rules as it deems necessary to carry
- 27 out its functions.
- 28 (2) The board shall examine the qualifications of applicants for
- 29 licensing under this chapter, to determine which applicants are
- 30 eligible for licensing under this chapter and shall forward to the
- 31 secretary the names of applicants so eligible.
- 32 (3) The board shall administer examinations to qualified applicants
- 33 on at least an annual basis. The board shall determine the subject
- 34 matter and scope of the examinations and shall require both written and
- 35 oral examinations of each applicant, except as provided in RCW
- 36 18.83.170. The board may allow applicants to take the written

- 1 examination upon the granting of their doctoral degree before 2 completion of their internship for supervised experience.
- 3 (4) The board shall keep a complete record of its own proceedings, 4 of the questions given in examinations, of the names and qualifications 5 of all applicants, and the names and addresses of all licensed 6 psychologists. The examination paper of such applicant shall be kept 7 on file for a period of at least one year after examination.
- 8 (5) ((The board shall, by rule, adopt a code of ethics for 9 psychologists which is designed to protect the public interest.
- (6) The board shall create a disciplinary committee within the board for the purposes of hearing, examining, and ruling on complaints and evidence of unethical conduct or practices brought by the public, other psychologists, organizations, corporations, public or private agencies, or officers, agencies, or instrumentalities of state, county, or local governments.
- 16 (7)) The board may require that persons licensed under this 17 chapter as psychologists obtain and maintain professional liability 18 insurance in amounts determined by the board to be practicable and 19 reasonably available.
- 20 **Sec. 468.** RCW 18.83.121 and 1987 c 150 s 52 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
- In addition to those acts defined in chapter 18.130 RCW, the ((board)) <u>secretary</u> may take disciplinary action under RCW 18.130.160 for the following reasons:
- 25 (1) Failing to maintain the confidentiality of information under 26 RCW 18.83.110;
- (2) Violating the ethical code developed by the board under RCW 18.83.050;
- 29 (3) Failing to inform prospective research subjects or their 30 authorized representatives of the possible serious effects of 31 participation in research; and failing to undertake reasonable efforts 32 to remove possible harmful effects of participation;
- 33 (4) Practicing in an area of psychology for which the person is 34 clearly untrained or incompetent;
- (5) Failing to exercise appropriate supervision over persons who practice under the supervision of a psychologist;

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- 1 (6) Using fraud or deceit in the procurement of the psychology 2 license, or knowingly assisting another in the procurement of such a 3 license through fraud or deceit;
- 4 (7) Failing to maintain professional liability insurance when 5 required by the board;
- 6 (8) Violating any state statute or administrative rule specifically 7 governing the practice of psychology; or
- 8 (9) Gross, wil<u>l</u>ful, or continued overcharging for professional 9 services.
- 10 **Sec. 469.** RCW 18.88.280 and 1989 c 114 s 7 are each amended to 11 read as follows:

12 Except as may be authorized by the secretary under chapter 18.--13 RCW (sections 101 through 106 of this act), this chapter shall not be 14 construed as (1) prohibiting the incidental care of the sick by 15 domestic servants or persons primarily employed as housekeepers, so long as they do not practice professional nursing within the meaning of 16 this chapter, (2) or preventing any person from the domestic 17 18 administration of family remedies or the furnishing of nursing 19 assistance in case of emergency; (3) nor shall it be construed as prohibiting such practice of nursing by students enrolled in approved 20 schools as may be incidental to their course of study nor shall it 21 prohibit such students working as nursing aides; (4) nor shall it be 22 23 construed as prohibiting auxiliary services provided by persons 24 carrying out duties necessary for the support of nursing service 25 including those duties which involve minor nursing services for persons performed in hospitals, nursing homes or elsewhere under the direction 26 of licensed physicians or the supervision of licensed, registered 27 nurses; (5) nor shall it be construed as prohibiting or preventing the 28 29 practice of nursing in this state by any legally qualified nurse of 30 another state or territory whose engagement requires him or her to accompany and care for a patient temporarily residing in this state 31 32 during the period of one such engagement, not to exceed six months in 33 length, if such person does not represent or hold himself or herself 34 out as a nurse licensed to practice in this state; (6) nor shall it be construed as prohibiting nursing or care of the sick, with or without 35 36 compensation, when done in connection with the practice of the religious tenets of any church by adherents thereof so long as they do 37 not engage in the practice of nursing as defined in this chapter; (7) 38

nor shall it be construed as prohibiting the practice of any legally 1 2 qualified nurse of another state who is employed by the United States government or any bureau, division or agency thereof, while in the 3 4 discharge of his or her official duties; (8) permitting the measurement of the powers or range of human vision, or the determination of the 5 accommodation and refractive state of the human eye or the scope of its 6 7 functions in general, or the fitting or adaptation of lenses or frames 8 for the aid thereof; (9) permitting the prescribing or directing the 9 use of, or using, any optical device in connection with ocular 10 exercises, visual training, vision training or orthoptics; (10) permitting the prescribing of contact lenses for, or the fitting or 11 adaptation of contact lenses to, the human eye; (11) prohibiting the 12 13 performance of routine visual screening; (12) permitting the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene as defined in chapters 18.32 and 18.29 14 15 RCW respectively; (13) permitting the practice of chiropractic as defined in chapter 18.25 RCW including the adjustment or manipulation 16 17 of the articulations of the spine; (14) permitting the practice of ((podiatry)) podiatric medicine and surgery as defined in chapter 18.22 18 19 RCW; (15) permitting the performance of major surgery, except such 20 minor surgery as the board may have specifically authorized by rule or regulation duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 21 22 34.05 RCW; (16) permitting the prescribing of controlled substances as 23 defined in schedules I through IV of the Uniform Controlled Substances 24 Act, chapter 69.50 RCW; (17) prohibiting the determination and 25 pronouncement of death.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 470. A new section is added to chapter 18.135 27 RCW to read as follows:

HEALTH CARE ASSISTANTS--APPLICATION OF THE UNIFORM DISCIPLINARY
ACT. The uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, governs
uncertified practice, the issuance and denial of certificates, and the
discipline of certificate holders under this chapter. The secretary
shall be the disciplining authority under this chapter.

33 **Sec. 471.** RCW 18.135.070 and 1984 c 281 s 7 are each amended to 34 read as follows:

The licensing authority of health care facilities or the ((disciplinary board of the delegating or supervising health care practitioner)) secretary shall investigate all complaints or

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- 1 allegations of violations of proper certification of a health care
- 2 assistant or violations of delegation of authority or supervision. A
- 3 substantiated violation shall constitute sufficient cause for
- 4 disciplinary action by the licensing authority of a health care
- 5 facility or the ((disciplinary board of the health care practitioner))
- 6 secretary.
- 7 **Sec. 472.** RCW 43.70.220 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 301 are each
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 The powers and duties of the department of licensing and the
- 10 director of licensing under the following statutes are hereby
- 11 transferred to the department of health and the secretary of health:
- 12 Chapters 18.06, 18.19, 18.22, 18.25, ((18.26,)) 18.29, 18.32, 18.34,
- 13 18.35, 18.36A, 18.50, 18.52, ((18.52A, 18.52B,)) 18.52C, 18.53, 18.54,
- 14 18.55, 18.57, 18.57A, 18.59, 18.71, 18.71A, ((18.72,)) 18.74, 18.78,
- 15 18.83, 18.84, 18.88, 18.89, 18.92, 18.108, 18.135, and 18.138 RCW.
- 16 More specifically, the health professions regulatory programs and
- 17 services presently administered by the department of licensing are
- 18 hereby transferred to the department of health.
- 19 **Sec. 473.** RCW 43.70.240 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 304 are each
- 20 amended to read as follows:
- 21 The secretary and each of the professional licensing ((and
- 22 disciplinary)) boards under the administration of the department shall
- 23 enter into written operating agreements on administrative procedures
- 24 with input from the regulated profession and the public. The intent of
- 25 these agreements is to provide a process for the department to consult
- 26 each board on administrative matters and to ensure that the
- 27 administration and staff functions effectively enable each board to
- 28 fulfill its statutory responsibilities. The agreements shall include,
- 29 but not be limited to, the following provisions:
- 30 (1) Administrative activities supporting the board's policies,
- 31 goals, and objectives;
- 32 (2) Development and review of the agency budget as it relates to
- 33 the board; and
- 34 (3) Board related personnel issues.
- 35 The agreements shall be reviewed and revised in like manner if
- 36 appropriate at the beginning of each fiscal year, and at other times
- 37 upon written request by the secretary or the board.

- The secretary shall report to the health care committees of the legislature, on or before February 28, 1990, on the implementation of
- 3 the written operating agreement and the need, if any, for modification
- 4 of this section.
- 5 **Sec. 474.** RCW 43.70.300 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 318 are each 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 In order to provide liaison with the department of health, provide
- 8 continuity between changes in board membership, achieve uniformity as
- 9 appropriate in licensure or regulated activities under the jurisdiction
- 10 of the department, and to better represent the public interest, the
- 11 secretary, or a designee appointed by the secretary, shall serve as an
- 12 ex officio member of every health professional licensure ((or
- 13 disciplinary)) board established under Title 18 RCW under the
- 14 administrative authority of the department of health. The secretary
- 15 shall have no vote unless otherwise authorized by law.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 475. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:
- 18 (1) RCW 18.26.010 and 1989 c 258 s 7 & 1967 c 171 s 1;
- 19 (2) RCW 18.26.020 and 1991 c 3 s 43, 1989 c 258 s 8, & 1967 c 171
- 20 s 2;
- 21 (3) RCW 18.26.028 and 1987 c 150 s 13 & 1986 c 259 s 22;
- 22 (4) RCW 18.26.040 and 1989 c 258 s 9 & 1980 c 46 s 1;
- 23 (5) RCW 18.26.050 and 1991 c 3 s 44, 1979 c 158 s 21, & 1967 c 171
- 24 s 5;
- 25 (6) RCW 18.26.060 and 1967 c 171 s 6;
- 26 (7) RCW 18.26.070 and 1991 c 3 s 45, 1984 c 287 s 28, & 1980 c 46
- 27 s 2;
- 28 (8) RCW 18.26.080 and 1967 c 171 s 8;
- 29 (9) RCW 18.26.090 and 1989 c 258 s 11 & 1967 c 171 s 9;
- 30 (10) RCW 18.26.110 and 1986 c 259 s 26, 1975 1st ex.s. c 39 s 2, &
- 31 1967 c 171 s 11;
- 32 (11) RCW 18.26.900 and 1967 c 171 s 31;
- 33 (12) RCW 18.32.500 and 1989 c 202 s 24, 1986 c 259 s 39, & 1977
- 34 ex.s. c 5 s 37;
- 35 (13) RCW 18.32.510 and 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 1;
- 36 (14) RCW 18.32.520 and 1991 c 3 s 71, 1989 c 202 s 25, 1986 c 259
- 37 s 40, 1979 c 158 s 36, & 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 2;

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(15) RCW 18.32.530 and 1989 c 202 s 26, 1986 c 259 s 41, & 1977
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    ex.s. c 5 s 3;
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        (16) RCW 18.32.534 and 1991 c 3 s 72 & 1989 c 125 s 1;
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        (17) RCW 18.32.560 and 1984 c 279 s 51 & 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 6;
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        (18) RCW 18.32.570 and 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 7;
        (19) RCW 18.32.580 and 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 8;
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        (20) RCW 18.32.590 and 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 9;
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        (21) RCW 18.32.600 and 1984 c 287 s 31 & 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 10;
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        (22) RCW 18.32.610 and 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 11;
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        (23) RCW 18.32.620 and 1984 c 279 s 62 & 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 12;
        (24) RCW 18.32.665 and 1986 c 259 s 36 & 1935 c 112 s 20;
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        (25) RCW 18.32.745 and 1991 c 3 s 73, 1977 ex.s. c 5 s 31, 1957 c
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    52 s 38, & 1953 c 93 s 7;
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        (26) RCW 18.35.220 and 1987 c 150 s 25 & 1983 c 39 s 17;
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        (27) RCW 18.54.150 and 1963 c 25 s 15;
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        (28) RCW 18.57.174 and 1986 c 300 s 9;
        (29) RCW 18.64.260 and 1987 c 202 s 184, 1969 ex.s. c 199 s 17,
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    1909 c 213 s 9, & 1899 c 121 s 17;
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        (30) RCW 18.71A.070 and 1990 c 196 s 7, 1979 c 158 s 58, & 1975 1st
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    ex.s. c 190 s 3;
        (31) RCW 18.72.010 and 1955 c 202 s 1;
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        (32) RCW 18.72.020 and 1986 c 259 s 115 & 1955 c 202 s 2;
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        (33) RCW 18.72.045 and 1991 c 215 s 1;
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        (34) RCW 18.72.090 and 1955 c 202 s 9;
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        (35) RCW 18.72.100 and 1991 c 3 s 166, 1984 c 287 s 45, 1979 ex.s.
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        (36) RCW 18.72.110 and 1955 c 202 s 11;
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        (37) RCW 18.72.120 and 1991 c 3 s 167 & 1955 c 202 s 12;
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        (38) RCW 18.72.130 and 1979 ex.s. c 111 s 4 & 1955 c 202 s 13;
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        (39) RCW 18.72.150 and 1986 c 259 s 116, 1979 ex.s. c 111 s 5, 1975
    c 61 s 4, & 1955 c 202 s 15;
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        (40) RCW 18.72.154 and 1986 c 259 s 107;
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        (41) RCW 18.72.155 and 1991 c 3 s 168 & 1979 ex.s. c 111 s 6;
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        (42) RCW 18.72.190 and 1989 c 373 s 18 & 1955 c 202 s 19;
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        (43) RCW 18.72.301 and 1989 c 119 s 1 & 1987 c 416 s 1;
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        (44) RCW 18.72.306 and 1991 c 3 s 169, 1989 c 119 s 2, & 1987 c 416
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        (50) RCW 18.72.400 and 1991 c 3 s 171 & 1983 c 71 s 3;
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        (51) RCW 18.72.900 and 1955 c 202 s 46;
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        (52) RCW 18.72.910 and 1955 c 202 s 48;
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        (53) RCW 18.83.135 and 1992 c 12 s 1, 1987 c 150 s 53, & 1984 c 279
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    s 86;
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        (54) RCW 18.83.155 and 1987 c 150 s 54 & 1984 c 279 s 89;
        (55) RCW 18.83.168 and 1986 c 27 s 7;
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        (56) RCW 18.92.047 and 1991 c 3 s 241 & 1989 c 125 s 2;
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        (57) RCW 18.130.140 and 1984 c 279 s 14;
        (58) RCW 18.135.080 and 1991 c 3 s 277 & 1984 c 281 s 8;
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        (59) RCW 43.131.337 and 1987 c 160 s 2; and
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        (60) RCW 43.131.338 and 1987 c 160 s 3.
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19 RECODIFICATIONS

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 476. RECODIFICATION. RCW 18.26.030, 18.26.320, 18.26.330, 18.26.340, 18.26.350, 18.26.360, 18.26.370, 18.26.380, and 18.26.390 are each recodified as sections in chapter 18.25 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 477. CAPTIONS. Captions as used in this act constitute no part of the law.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 478. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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