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## ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6111

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By Senate Committee on Government Operations (originally sponsored by Senators Drew, McCaslin, Gaspard, Sellar, Haugen, Snyder, Fraser, Franklin, Sheldon, Bauer, Owen, Spanel, Pelz, M. Rasmussen, Winsley, Oke and Skratek; by request of Commission on Ethics in Government & Campaign Financing, Governor Lowry and Attorney General)

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1 AN ACT Relating to ethics in public service; amending RCW 2 42.18.270, 42.18.217, 42.18.230, 42.18.260, 27.26.070, 28B.50.060, 3 28C.18.040, 35.02.130, 35.21.418, 43.33A.110, 43.72.020, 51.36.110, 66.08.080, 67.16.160, 80.50.030, and 86.09.286; adding a new section to 4 5 chapter 42.23 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 42 RCW; creating new sections; recodifying RCW 42.18.217, 42.18.230, 42.18.260, 42.18.270, 6 7 42.18.330, and 42.22.050; repealing RCW 42.18.010, 42.18.020, 42.18.030, 42.18.040, 42.18.050, 42.18.060, 42.18.070, 42.18.080, 8 42.18.100, 42.18.110, 42.18.120, 9 42.18.090, 42.18.130, 42.18.140, 10 42.18.150, 42.18.170, 42.18.180, 42.18.190, 42.18.200, 42.18.210, 42.18.250, 42.18.213, 42.18.215, 42.18.221, 42.18.240, 42.18.280, 11 12 42.18.290, 42.18.300, 42.18.310, 42.18.320, 42.18.900, 42.20.010, 42.21.010, 42.21.020, 42.21.030, 42.21.040, 42.21.050, 42.21.080, 13 14 42.21.090, 42.22.010, 42.22.020, 42.22.030, 42.22.040, 42.22.060, 42.22.070, 42.22.120, 44.60.010, 44.60.020, 44.60.030, 44.60.040, 15 16 44.60.050, 44.60.070, 44.60.080, 44.60.090, 44.60.100, 44.60.110, 17 44.60.120, and 44.60.130; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date. 18

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

Sec. 1. Government derives its powers from the 1 NEW SECTION. 2 people. Ethics in government are the foundation on which the structure of government rests. State officials and employees of government hold 3 a public trust that obligates them, in a special way, to honesty and 4 5 integrity in fulfilling the responsibilities to which they are elected and appointed. Paramount in that trust is the principle that public 6 7 office, whether elected or appointed, may not be used for personal gain 8 or private advantage.

The citizens of the state expect all state officials and employees to perform their public responsibilities in accordance with the highest ethical and moral standards and to conduct the business of the state only in a manner that advances the public's interest. State officials and employees are subject to the sanctions of law and scrutiny of the media; ultimately, however, they are accountable to the people and must consider this public accountability as a particular obligation of the public service. Only when affairs of government are conducted, at all levels, with openness as provided by law and an unswerving commitment to the public good does government work as it should.

The obligations of government rest equally on the state's citizenry. The effectiveness of government depends, fundamentally, on the confidence citizens can have in the judgments and decisions of their elected representatives. Citizens, therefore, should honor and respect the principles and the spirit of representative democracy, recognizing that both elected and appointed officials, together with state employees, seek to carry out their public duties with professional skill and dedication to the public interest. Such service merits public recognition and support.

All who have the privilege of working for the people of Washington state can have but one aim: To give the highest public service to its citizens.

31 PART I

## 32 GENERAL ETHICS PROVISIONS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 101. DEFINITIONS. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

36 (1) "Agency" means any state board, commission, bureau, committee, 37 department, institution, division, or tribunal in the legislative,

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- 1 executive, or judicial branch of state government. "Agency" includes
- 2 all elective offices, the state legislature, those institutions of
- 3 higher education created and supported by the state government, and
- 4 those courts that are parts of state government.
- 5 (2) "Head of agency" means the chief executive officer of an
- 6 agency. In the case of an agency headed by a commission, board,
- 7 committee, or other body consisting of more than one natural person,
- 8 agency head means the person or board authorized to appoint agency
- 9 employees and regulate their conduct.
- 10 (3) "Assist" means to act, or offer or agree to act, in such a way
- 11 as to help, aid, advise, furnish information to, or otherwise provide
- 12 assistance to another person, believing that the action is of help,
- 13 aid, advice, or assistance to the person and with intent so to assist
- 14 such person.
- 15 (4) "Beneficial interest" means the right to receive any income or
- 16 other advantage pursuant to a contract, sale, lease, purchase, or
- 17 grant. An ownership interest in a mutual fund or similar investment
- 18 pooling fund in which the owner has no management powers does not
- 19 constitute a beneficial interest in the entities in which the fund or
- 20 pool invests.
- 21 (5) "Compensation" means anything of economic value, however
- 22 designated, that is paid, loaned, granted, or transferred, or to be
- 23 paid, loaned, granted, or transferred for, or in consideration of,
- 24 personal services to any person.
- 25 (6) "Confidential information" means (a) specific information,
- 26 rather than generalized knowledge, that is not available to the general
- 27 public on request or (b) information made confidential by law.
- 28 (7) "Ethics boards" means the commission on judicial conduct, the
- 29 legislative ethics board, and the executive ethics board.
- 30 (8) "Family" has the same meaning as "immediate family" in RCW
- 31 42.17.020.
- 32 (9) "Gift" means anything of economic value for which no
- 33 consideration is given. "Gift" does not include:
- 34 (a) Items from family members or friends where it is clear beyond
- 35 a reasonable doubt that the gift was not made as part of any design to
- 36 gain or maintain influence in the agency of which the recipient is an
- 37 officer or employee;

- 1 (b) Items related to the outside business of the recipient that are 2 customary and not related to the recipient's performance of official 3 duties;
  - (c) Items exchanged among officials and employees or a social event hosted or sponsored by a state officer or state employee for coworkers;
- 6 (d) Payments by a governmental or nongovernmental entity of 7 reasonable expenses incurred in connection with a speech, presentation, 8 appearance, or trade mission made in an official capacity. As used in 9 this subsection, "reasonable expenses" are limited to travel, lodging, 10 and subsistence expenses incurred the day before through the day after 11 the event;
- 12 (e) Items a state officer or state employee is authorized by law to 13 accept;
- (f) Payment of enrollment and course fees and reasonable travel
  expenses attributable to attending seminars and educational programs
  sponsored by a bona fide nonprofit professional, educational, or trade
  association, or charitable institution. As used in this subsection,
  "reasonable expenses" are limited to travel, lodging, and subsistence
  expenses incurred the day before through the day after the event;
- 20 (g) Items returned by the recipient to the donor within thirty days 21 of receipt or donated to a charitable organization within thirty days 22 of receipt;
  - (h) Campaign contributions reported under chapter 42.17 RCW; and
- (i) Discounts available to an individual as a member of an employee group, occupation, or similar broad-based group.
- (10) "Honorarium" means money or thing of value offered to a state officer or state employee for a speech, appearance, article, or similar item or activity in connection with the state officer's or state employee's official role.
- (11) "Participate" means to participate in state action or a proceeding personally and substantially as a state officer or state employee, through approval, disapproval, decision, recommendation, the rendering of advice, investigation, or otherwise but does not include preparation, consideration, or enactment of legislation or the performance of legislative duties.
- 36 (12) "Person" means any individual, partnership, association, 37 corporation, firm, institution, or other entity, whether or not 38 operated for profit.

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- 1 (13) "Regulatory agency" means any state board, commission, 2 department, or officer, except those in the legislative or judicial 3 branches, authorized by law to conduct adjudicative proceedings, issue 4 permits or licenses, or to control or affect interests of identified 5 persons.
- 6 (14) "Responsibility" in connection with a transaction involving 7 the state, means the direct administrative or operating authority, 8 whether intermediate or final, and either exercisable alone or through 9 subordinates, effectively to approve, disapprove, or otherwise direct 10 state action in respect of such transaction.
- 11 (15) "State action" means any action on the part of an agency, 12 including, but not limited to:
- 13 (a) A decision, determination, finding, ruling, or order; and
- (b) A grant, payment, award, license, contract, transaction, sanction, or approval, or the denial thereof, or failure to act with respect to a decision, determination, finding, ruling, or order.
- 17 (16) "State officer" means every person holding a position of public trust in or under an executive, legislative, or judicial office 18 19 of the state. "State officer" includes judges of the superior court, judges of the court of appeals, justices of the supreme court, members 20 of the legislature together with the secretary of the senate and the 21 chief clerk of the house of representatives, holders of elective 22 offices in the executive branch of state government, chief executive 23 24 officers of state agencies, members of boards, commissions, 25 committees with authority over one or more state agencies or 26 institutions, and employees of the state who are engaged supervisory, policy-making, or policy-enforcing work. For the purposes 27 of this chapter, "state officer" also includes any person exercising or 28 29 undertaking to exercise the powers or functions of a state officer.
- 30 (17) "State employee" means an individual who is employed by an 31 agency in any branch of state government. For purposes of this 32 chapter, employees of the superior courts are not state officers or 33 state employees.
- 34 (18) "Thing of economic value", in addition to its ordinary 35 meaning, includes:
- 36 (a) A loan, property interest, interest in a contract or other 37 chose in action, and employment or another arrangement involving a 38 right to compensation;

- 1 (b) An option, irrespective of the conditions to the exercise of 2 the option; and
- 3 (c) A promise or undertaking for the present or future delivery or 4 procurement.
- 5 (19) (a) "Transaction involving the state" means a proceeding,
- 6 application, submission, request for a ruling or other determination,
- 7 contract, claim, case, or other similar matter that the state officer,
- 8 state employee, or former state officer or state employee in question
- 9 believes, or has reason to believe:
- 10 (i) Is, or will be, the subject of state action; or
- 11 (ii) Is one to which the state is or will be a party; or
- 12 (iii) Is one in which the state has a direct and substantial
- 13 proprietary interest.
- 14 (b) "Transaction involving the state" does not include the
- 15 following: Preparation, consideration, or enactment of legislation,
- 16 including appropriation of moneys in a budget, or the performance of
- 17 legislative duties by an officer or employee; or a claim, case,
- 18 lawsuit, or similar matter if the officer or employee did not
- 19 participate in the underlying transaction involving the state that is
- 20 the basis for the claim, case, or lawsuit.
- 21 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 102.** ACTIVITIES INCOMPATIBLE WITH PUBLIC
- 22 DUTIES. No state officer or state employee may have an interest,
- 23 financial or otherwise, direct or indirect, or engage in a business or
- 24 transaction or professional activity, or incur an obligation of any
- 25 nature, that is in conflict with the proper discharge of the state
- 26 officer's or state employee's duties.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 103.** FINANCIAL INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS. No
- 28 state officer or state employee may be beneficially interested,
- 29 directly or indirectly, in a contract, sale, lease, purchase, or grant
- 30 that may be made by, through, or is under the supervision of the
- 31 officer or employee, in whole or in part, or accept, directly or
- 32 indirectly, any compensation, gratuity, or reward from any other person
- 33 beneficially interested in the contract, sale, lease, purchase, or
- 34 grant.
- 35 (2) No state officer or state employee may participate in a
- 36 transaction involving the state in his or her official capacity with a
- 37 person of which the officer or employee is an officer, agent, employee,

- 1 or member, or in which the officer or employee owns a beneficial
- 2 interest.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 104.** ASSISTING IN TRANSACTIONS. (1) Except in
- 4 the course of official duties or incident to official duties, no state
- 5 officer or state employee may assist another person, directly or
- 6 indirectly, whether or not for compensation, in a transaction involving
- 7 the state:
- 8  $\,$  (a) In which the state officer or state employee has at any time
- 9 participated; or
- 10 (b) If the transaction involving the state is or has been under the
- 11 official responsibility of the state officer or state employee within
- 12 a period of two years preceding such assistance.
- 13 (2) No state officer or state employee may share in compensation
- 14 received by another for assistance that the officer or employee is
- 15 prohibited from providing under subsection (1) or (3) of this section.
- 16 (3) A business entity of which a state officer or state employee is
- 17 a partner, managing officer, or employee shall not assist another
- 18 person in a transaction involving the state if the state officer or
- 19 state employee is prohibited from doing so by subsection (1) of this
- 20 section.
- 21 (4) This chapter does not prevent a state officer or state employee
- 22 from assisting, in a transaction involving the state:
- 23 (a) The state officer's or state employee's parent, spouse, or
- 24 child, or a child thereof for whom the officer or employee is serving
- 25 as guardian, executor, administrator, trustee, or other personal
- 26 fiduciary, if the state officer or state employee did not participate
- 27 in the transaction; or
- 28 (b) Another state employee involved in disciplinary or other
- 29 personnel administration proceedings.
- 30 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 105.** CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. No state
- 31 officer or state employee may accept employment or engage in any
- 32 business or professional activity that the officer or employee might
- 33 reasonably expect would require or induce him or her to disclose
- 34 confidential information acquired by the official or employee by reason
- 35 of the official's or employee's official position.
- 36 (2) No state officer or state employee may disclose confidential
- 37 information gained by reason of the officer's or employee's official

- 1 position or otherwise use the information for his or her personal gain 2 or benefit or the gain or benefit of another.
- 3 (3) No state officer or state employee may disclose confidential 4 information to any person not entitled or authorized to receive the 5 information.
- 6 (4) No state officer or state employee may intentionally conceal a 7 record if the officer or employee knew the record was required to be 8 released under chapter 42.17 RCW, was under a personal obligation to 9 release the record, and failed to do so. This subsection does not 10 apply where the decision to withhold the record was made in good faith.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 106. TESTIMONY OF STATE OFFICERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES. This chapter does not prevent a state officer or state employee from giving testimony under oath or from making statements required to be made under penalty of perjury or contempt.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 107. SPECIAL PRIVILEGES. Except as required to perform duties within the scope of employment, no state officer or state employee may use his or her position to secure special privileges or exemptions for himself or herself, or his or her spouse, child, parents, or other persons.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 108. POSTPUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYMENT. (1) No former state officer or state employee may, within a period of one year from the date of termination of state employment, accept employment or receive compensation from an employer if:
- 24 (a) The officer or employee, during the two years immediately 25 preceding termination of state employment, was engaged in the 26 negotiation or administration on behalf of the state or agency of one 27 or more contracts with that employer and was in a position to make 28 discretionary decisions affecting the outcome of such negotiation or 29 the nature of such administration;
- 30 (b) Such a contract or contracts have a total value of more than 31 ten thousand dollars; and
- 32 (c) The duties of the employment with the employer or the 33 activities for which the compensation would be received include 34 fulfilling or implementing, in whole or in part, the provisions of such 35 a contract or contracts or include the supervision or control of 36 actions taken to fulfill or implement, in whole or in part, the

- 1 provisions of such a contract or contracts. This subsection shall not 2 be construed to prohibit a state officer or state employee from 3 accepting employment with a state employee organization.
- (2) No person who has served as a state officer or state employee may, within a period of two years following the termination of state employment, have a direct or indirect beneficial interest in a contract or grant that was expressly authorized or funded by specific legislative or executive action in which the former state officer or state employee participated.
- 10 (3) No former state officer or state employee may accept an offer 11 of employment or receive compensation from an employer if the officer 12 or employee knows or has reason to believe that the offer of employment 13 or compensation was intended, in whole or in part, directly or 14 indirectly, to influence the officer or employee or as compensation or 15 reward for the performance or nonperformance of a duty by the officer 16 or employee during the course of state employment.
- (4) No former state officer or state employee may accept an offer of employment or receive compensation from an employer if the circumstances would lead a reasonable person to believe the offer has been made, or compensation given, for the purpose of influencing the performance or nonperformance of duties by the officer or employee during the course of state employment.

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- (5) No former state officer or state employee may at any time subsequent to his or her state employment assist another person, whether or not for compensation, in any transaction involving the state in which the former state officer or state employee at any time participated during state employment. This subsection shall not be construed to prohibit any employee or officer of a state employee organization from rendering assistance to state officers or state employees in the course of employee organization business.
- 31 (6) As used in this section, "employer" means a person as defined 32 in section 101 of this act or an affiliate of such employer.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 109. FORMER STATE OFFICERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES.
  This chapter shall not be construed to prevent a former state officer or state employee from rendering assistance to others if the assistance is provided without compensation in any form and is limited to one or more of the following:

- 1 (1) Providing the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of state 2 agencies or state employees;
- 3 (2) Providing free transportation to another for the purpose of 4 conducting business with a state agency;
- 5 (3) Assisting a natural person or nonprofit corporation in 6 obtaining or completing application forms or other forms required by a 7 state agency for the conduct of a state business; or
  - (4) Providing assistance to the poor and infirm.
- 9 **Sec. 110.** RCW 42.18.270 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 27 are each amended to read as follows:
- 11 (1) The head of an agency, upon finding that any former <u>state</u>
  12 <u>officer or state</u> employee of such agency or any other person has
  13 violated any provision of this chapter <u>or rules or policies adopted</u>
  14 <u>under it</u>, may, in addition to any other powers the head of such agency
  15 may have, bar or impose reasonable conditions upon:
- 16 (a) The appearance before such agency of such former <u>state officer</u>
  17 <u>or state</u> employee or other person; and
- (b) The conduct of, or negotiation or competition for, business with such agency by such former state officer or state employee or other person, such period of time as may reasonably be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this chapter.
- (2) Findings of violations referred to in subsection (1)(b) of this section shall be made on record after notice and hearing, conducted in accordance with the Washington Administrative Procedure Act, chapter 34.05 RCW. Such findings and orders are subject to judicial review.
- 26 (3) This section does not apply to the legislative or judicial 27 branches of government.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 111. COMPENSATION FOR OFFICIAL DUTIES. No state officer or state employee may, directly or indirectly, ask for or give or receive or agree to receive any compensation, gift, reward, or gratuity from a source except the state of Washington for performing or omitting or deferring the performance of any official duty, unless otherwise authorized by law.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 112. COMPENSATION FOR OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES. (1)
  No state officer or state employee may receive any thing of economic
  value under any contract or grant outside of his or her official

1 duties. The prohibition in this subsection does not apply where each 2 of the following conditions are met:

- (a) The contract or grant is bona fide and actually performed;
- 4 (b) The performance or administration of the contract or grant is 5 not within the course of the officer's or employee's official duties, 6 or is not under the officer's or employee's official supervision;
- 7 (c) The performance of the contract or grant is not prohibited by 8 section 104 of this act or by applicable laws or rules governing 9 outside employment for the officer or employee;
- 10 (d) The contract or grant is neither performed for nor compensated 11 by any person from whom such officer or employee would be prohibited by 12 section 115(4) of this act from receiving a gift;
- (e) The contract or grant is not one expressly created or authorized by the officer or employee in his or her official capacity or by his or her agency;
- 16 (f) The contract or grant would not require unauthorized disclosure 17 of confidential information.
- 18 (2) In addition to satisfying the requirements of subsection (1) of 19 this section, a state officer or state employee may have a beneficial 20 interest in a grant or contract with a state agency only if:
- 21 (a) The contract or grant is awarded or issued as a result of an 22 open and competitive bidding process in which more than one bid or 23 grant application was received; or
- (b) The contract or grant is awarded or issued as a result of an open and competitive bidding or selection process in which the officer's or employee's bid or proposal was the only bid or proposal received and the officer or employee has been advised by the appropriate ethics board, before execution of the contract or grant, that the contract or grant would not present an unacceptable conflict with the officer's or employee's official duties; or
- 31 (c) The process for awarding the contract or issuing the grant is 32 not open and competitive, but the officer or employee has been advised 33 by the appropriate ethics board that the contract or grant would not 34 present an unacceptable conflict with the officer's or employee's 35 official duties.
- 36 (3) A state officer or state employee awarded a contract or issued 37 a grant in compliance with subsection (2) of this section shall file

- 1 the contract or grant with the appropriate ethics board within thirty 2 days after the date of execution.
- (4) This section does not prevent a state officer or state employee 3 4 from receiving compensation contributed from the treasury of the United States, another state, county, or municipality if the compensation is 5 received pursuant to arrangements entered into between such state, 6 7 county, municipality, or the United States and the officer's or 8 employee's agency. This section does not prohibit a state officer or 9 state employee from serving or performing any duties under an 10 employment contract with a governmental entity.
- 11 (5) As used in this section, "officer" and "employee" do not include officers and employees who, in accordance with the terms of their employment or appointment, are serving without compensation from the state of Washington or are receiving from the state only reimbursement of expenses incurred or a predetermined allowance for such expenses.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 113. HONORARIA. (1) No state officer or state employee may receive honoraria unless specifically authorized by policies that have been adopted by the agencies where they serve as state officers or state employees and that have been approved by the appropriate ethics board.
- 22 (2) An ethics board may disapprove a policy that permits honoraria 23 under the following circumstances, among others:
- 24 (a) The person offering the honoraria is seeking or is reasonably 25 expected to seek contractual relations with or a grant from the 26 employer of the state officer or state employee, and the officer or 27 employee is in a position to participate in the terms or the award of 28 the contract or grant;
- (b) The person offering the honoraria is regulated by the employer of the state officer or state employee and the officer or employee is in a position to participate in the regulation; or
- 32 (c) The person offering the honoraria (i) is seeking or opposing or 33 is reasonably likely to seek or oppose enactment of legislation or 34 adoption of administrative rules or actions, or policy changes by the 35 state officer's or state employee's agency; and (ii) the officer or 36 employee may participate in the enactment or adoption.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 114. GIFTS. No state officer or state employee may receive, accept, take, seek, or solicit, directly or indirectly, any thing of economic value as a gift, gratuity, or favor from a person if it could be reasonably expected that the gift, gratuity, or favor would influence the vote, action, or judgment of the officer or employee, or be considered as part of a reward for action or inaction.
- 7 NEW SECTION. Sec. 115. LIMITATIONS ON GIFTS. (1) No state officer or state employee may accept gifts, other than those specified 8 9 in subsections (2) and (5) of this section, with an aggregate value in 10 excess of fifty dollars from a single source in a calendar year or a single gift from multiple sources with a value in excess of fifty 11 12 For purposes of this section, "single source" means any dollars. person, as defined in section 101 of this act, whether acting directly 13 14 or through any agent or other intermediary, and "single gift" includes 15 any event, item, or group of items used in conjunction with each other or any trip including transportation, lodging, and attendant costs, not 16 excluded from the definition of gift under section 101 of this act. 17 18 The value of gifts given to an officer's or employee's family member 19 shall be attributed to the official or employee for the purpose of determining whether the limit has been exceeded, unless an independent 20 business, family, or social relationship exists between the donor and 21 22 the family member.
- (2) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, the following items are presumed not to influence under section 114 of this act, and may be accepted without regard to the limit established by subsection (1) of this section:
  - (a) Unsolicited flowers, plants, and floral arrangements;

- 28 (b) Unsolicited advertising or promotional items of nominal value, 29 such as pens and note pads;
- 30 (c) Unsolicited tokens or awards of appreciation in the form of a 31 plaque, trophy, desk item, wall memento, or similar item;
- 32 (d) Unsolicited items received by a state officer or state employee 33 for the purpose of evaluation or review, if the officer or employee has 34 no personal beneficial interest in the eventual use or acquisition of 35 the item by the officer's or employee's agency;
- (e) Informational material, publications, or subscriptions related to the recipient's performance of official duties;

- 1 (f) Food and beverages consumed at hosted receptions where 2 attendance is related to the state officer's or state employee's 3 official duties;
- 4 (g) Admission to, and the cost of food and beverages consumed at, 5 events sponsored by or in conjunction with a civic, charitable, 6 governmental, or community organization; and
- 7 (h) Unsolicited gifts from dignitaries from another state or a 8 foreign country that are intended to be personal in nature.
- 9 (3) The presumption in subsection (2) of this section is rebuttable 10 and may be overcome based on the circumstances surrounding the giving 11 and acceptance of the item.
- (4) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (5) of this section, a state officer or state employee of a regulatory agency or of an agency that seeks to acquire goods or services who participates in those regulatory or contractual matters may receive, accept, take, or seek, directly or indirectly, only the following items from a person regulated by the agency or from a person who seeks to provide goods or services to the agency:
- 19 (a) Unsolicited advertising or promotional items of nominal value, 20 such as pens and note pads;
- 21 (b) Unsolicited tokens or awards of appreciation in the form of a 22 plaque, trophy, desk item, wall memento, or similar item;
- (c) Unsolicited items received by a state officer or state employee for the purpose of evaluation or review, if the officer or employee has no personal beneficial interest in the eventual use or acquisition of the item by the officer's or employee's agency;
- 27 (d) Informational material, publications, or subscriptions related 28 to the recipient's performance of official duties;
- (e) Food and beverages consumed at hosted receptions where attendance is related to the state officer's or state employee's official duties;
- (f) Admission to, and the cost of food and beverages consumed at, sevents sponsored by or in conjunction with a civic, charitable, governmental, or community organization; and
- 35 (g) Those items excluded from the definition of gift in section 101
  36 of this act except:
- (i) Payments by a governmental or nongovernmental entity of reasonable expenses incurred in connection with a speech, presentation, appearance, or trade mission made in an official capacity;

- 1 (ii) Payments for seminars and educational programs sponsored by a 2 bona fide nonprofit professional, educational, or trade association, or 3 charitable institution; and
- 4 (iii) Flowers, plants, and floral arrangements.
- 5 (5) A state officer or state employee may accept gifts in the form of food and beverage on infrequent occasions in the ordinary course of meals where attendance by the officer or employee is related to the performance of official duties. Gifts in the form of food and beverage that exceed fifty dollars on a single occasion shall be reported as provided in chapter 42.17 RCW.
- 11 **Sec. 116.** RCW 42.18.217 and 1987 c 426 s 3 are each amended to 12 read as follows:
- 13 <u>(1)</u> No state <u>officer or state</u> employee may employ or use any 14 person, money, or property under the <u>officer's or</u> employee's official 15 control or direction, or in his or her official custody, for the private benefit or gain of the <u>officer</u>, employee, or another.
- 17 (2) This section does not prohibit the use of public resources to
  18 benefit others as part of a state officer's or state employee's public
  19 duties.
- 20 (3) The appropriate ethics boards may adopt rules providing
  21 exceptions to this section for occasional use of the state officer or
  22 state employee, of de minimis cost and value, if the activity does not
  23 result in interference with the proper performance of public duties.
- 24 **Sec. 117.** RCW 42.18.230 and 1987 c 426 s 5 are each amended to 25 read as follows:
- $((\frac{1}{1}))$  No person shall give, pay, loan, transfer, or deliver, directly or indirectly, to any other person any thing of economic value believing or having reason to believe that there exist circumstances making the receipt thereof a violation of ((RCW 42.18.170, 42.18.190, 30 and 42.18.213)) section 104, 111, 112, 114, or 115 of this act.
- 31 (((2) No person shall give, transfer, or deliver, directly or 32 indirectly, to a state employee, any thing of economic value as a gift, 33 gratuity, or favor if either:
- 34 (a) Such person would not give the gift, gratuity, or favor but for 35 such employee's office or position with the state; or
- 36 (b) Such person is in a status specified in clause (a), (b), or (c)
  37 of RCW 42.18.200(2).

Exceptions to this subsection (2) may be made by regulations issued
pursuant to RCW 42.18.240 in situations referred to in RCW
42.18.200(3).))

4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 118. USE OF PUBLIC RESOURCES FOR POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS. (1) No state officer or state employee may use or authorize 5 the use of facilities of an agency, directly or indirectly, for the 6 7 purpose of assisting a campaign for election of a person to an office or for the promotion of or opposition to a ballot proposition. Knowing 8 9 acquiescence by a person with authority to direct, control, or influence the actions of the state officer or state employee using 10 public resources in violation of this section constitutes a violation 11 12 of this section. Facilities of an agency include, but are not limited to, use of stationery, postage, machines, and equipment, use of state 13 14 employees of the agency during working hours, vehicles, office space, publications of the agency, and clientele lists of persons served by 15 16 the agency.

- (2) This section shall not apply to the following activities:
- (a) Action taken at an open public meeting by members of an elected legislative body to express a collective decision, or to actually vote upon a motion, proposal, resolution, order, or ordinance, or to support or oppose a ballot proposition as long as (i) required notice of the meeting includes the title and number of the ballot proposition, and (ii) members of the legislative body or members of the public are afforded an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing view;
- (b) A statement by an elected official in support of or in opposition to any ballot proposition at an open press conference or in response to a specific inquiry. For the purposes of this subsection, it is not a violation of this section for an elected official to respond to an inquiry regarding a ballot proposition, to make incidental remarks concerning a ballot proposition in an official communication, or otherwise comment on a ballot proposition without an actual, measurable expenditure of public funds. The public disclosure commission shall, after consultation with the ethics boards, adopt by rule a definition of measurable expenditure;
- 36 (c) Activities that are part of the normal and regular conduct of 37 the office or agency;

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- 1 (d) Initiation of written and verbal communications by state-wide 2 elected officials and legislators of their views on ballot propositions 3 that foreseeably may affect a matter that falls within their 4 constitutional or statutory responsibilities; and
- 5 (e) De minimis use of public facilities by state-wide elected 6 officials and legislators incidental to the preparation or delivery of 7 permissible communications.
- 8 (3) As to state officers and employees, this section operates to 9 the exclusion of RCW 42.17.130.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 119. INVESTMENTS. (1) Except for permissible investments as defined in this section, no state officer or state employee of any agency responsible for the investment of funds, who acts in a decision-making, advisory, or policy-influencing capacity with respect to investments, may have a direct or indirect interest in any property, security, equity, or debt instrument of a person, without prior written approval of the agency.

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- (2) Agencies responsible for the investment of funds shall adopt policies governing approval of investments and establishing criteria to be considered in the approval process. Criteria shall include the relationship between the proposed investment and investments held or under consideration by the state, the size and timing of the proposed investment, access by the state officer or state employee to nonpublic information relative to the proposed investment, and the availability of the investment in the public market. Agencies responsible for the investment of funds also shall adopt policies consistent with this chapter governing use by their officers and employees of financial information acquired by virtue of their state positions. A violation of such policies adopted to implement this subsection shall constitute a violation of this chapter.
- 30 (3) As used in this section, "permissible investments" means any mutual fund, deposit account, certificate of deposit, or money market fund maintained with a bank, broker, or other financial institution, a security publicly traded in an organized market if the interest in the security at acquisition is ten thousand dollars or less, or an interest in real estate, except if the real estate interest is in or with a party in whom the agency holds an investment.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 120. AGENCY POLICIES. (1) Each agency may establish policies consistent with law, for use within the agency to protect against violations of this chapter.
- 4 (2) Policies adopted under this section shall be approved by the 5 appropriate ethics board before they may take effect. The board may 6 disapprove agency policies if the board determines that the policies 7 conflict or are inconsistent with this chapter or rules adopted by the 8 board.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 121.** A new section is added to chapter 42.23 10 RCW to read as follows:
- 11 (1) No municipal officer may use his or her position to secure 12 special privileges or exemptions for himself, herself, or others.
- 13 (2) No municipal officer may, directly or indirectly, give or 14 receive or agree to receive any compensation, gift, reward, or gratuity 15 from a source except the employing municipality, for a matter connected 16 with or related to the officer's services as such an officer unless 17 otherwise provided for by law.
- 18 (3) No municipal officer may accept employment or engage in 19 business or professional activity that the officer might reasonably 20 expect would require or induce him or her by reason of his or her 21 official position to disclose confidential information acquired by 22 reason of his or her official position.
- (4) No municipal officer may disclose confidential information 24 gained by reason of the officer's position, nor may the officer 25 otherwise use such information for his or her personal gain or benefit.

## 26 PART II

## 27 ETHICS ENFORCEMENT BOARDS

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 201. LEGISLATIVE ETHICS BOARD. (1) The legislative ethics board is created, composed of nine members, selected
- 30 as follows:
- 31 (a) Two senators, one from each of the two largest caucuses, 32 appointed by the president of the senate;
- 33 (b) Two members of the house of representatives, one from each of 34 the two largest caucuses, appointed by the speaker of the house of 35 representatives;
- 36 (c) Five citizen members:

- 1 (i) One citizen member chosen by the governor from a list of three 2 individuals submitted by each of the four legislative caucuses; and
- 3 (ii) One citizen member selected by three of the four other citizen 4 members of the legislative ethics board.
- 5 (2) Except for initial members and members completing partial 6 terms, nonlegislative members shall serve a single five-year term.
- 7 (3) No more than three of the public members may be identified with 8 the same political party.
- 9 (4) Terms of initial nonlegislative board members shall be 10 staggered as follows: One member shall be appointed to a one-year 11 term; one member shall be appointed to a two-year term; one member 12 shall be appointed to a three-year term; one member shall be appointed 13 to a four-year term; and one member shall be appointed for a five-year 14 term.
- 15 (5) A vacancy on the board shall be filled in the same manner as 16 the original appointment.
- 17 (6) Legislative members shall serve two-year terms, from January 18 31st of an odd-numbered year until January 31st of the next 19 odd-numbered year.
- 20 (7) Each member shall serve for the term of his or her appointment 21 and until his or her successor is appointed.
- 22 (8) The citizen members shall annually select a chair from among 23 themselves.
- 24 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 202.** AUTHORITY OF LEGISLATIVE ETHICS BOARD.
- 25 (1) The legislative ethics board shall hear all matters related to the
- 26 statutes, rules, and policies that establish standards of ethical
- 27 conduct by members and employees of the legislature. Subject to the
- 28 limitations in section 223 of this act, the legislative ethics board
- 29 has jurisdiction over matters involving any alleged violation occurring
- 30 before January 1, 1995, based on the statutes, rules, and policies in
- 31 effect at the time of the violation.
- 32 (2) The legislative ethics board shall:
- 33 (a) Develop educational materials and training with regard to 34 legislative ethics for legislators and legislative employees;
- 35 (b) Issue advisory opinions;
- 36 (c) Adopt rules or policies, including but not limited to defining 37 working hours;

- 1 (d) Investigate, hear, and determine complaints by any person or on 2 its own motion;
  - (e) Impose sanctions including reprimands and monetary penalties;
- 4 (f) Recommend suspension or removal to the appropriate legislative 5 entity, or recommend prosecution to the appropriate authority; and
- 6 (g) Establish criteria regarding the levels of civil penalties 7 appropriate for different types of violations of this chapter and rules 8 and policies adopted under it.
  - (3) The board may:

- 10 (a) Issue subpoenas for the attendance and testimony of witnesses 11 and the production of documentary evidence relating to any matter under 12 examination by the board or involved in any hearing;
- 13 (b) Administer oaths and affirmations;
- 14 (c) Examine witnesses; and
- 15 (d) Receive evidence.
- 16 Sec. 203. TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION. NEW SECTION. On the effective date of this section, any complaints or other matters under 17 18 investigation or consideration by the boards of legislative ethics in the house of representatives and the senate operating pursuant to 19 chapter 44.60 RCW shall be transferred to the legislative ethics board 20 created by this act. All files, including but not limited to minutes 21 of meetings, investigative files, records of proceedings, exhibits, and 22 23 expense records, shall be transferred to the legislative ethics board 24 created in this act pursuant to their direction and the legislative 25 ethics board created in this act shall assume full jurisdiction over all pending complaints, investigations, and proceedings. 26
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 204. EXECUTIVE ETHICS BOARD. (1) The executive ethics board is created, composed of five members, appointed by the governor as follows:
- 30 (a) One member shall be a classified service employee as defined in 31 chapter 41.06 RCW;
- 32 (b) One member shall be a state officer or state employee in an 33 exempt position;
- 34 (c) One member shall be a citizen selected from a list of three 35 names submitted by the attorney general;
- 36 (d) One member shall be a citizen selected from a list of three 37 names submitted by the state auditor; and

- 1 (e) One member shall be a citizen selected at large by the 2 governor.
- 3 (2) Except for initial members and members completing partial 4 terms, members shall serve a single five-year term.
- 5 (3) No more than three members may be identified with the same 6 political party.
- 7 (4) Terms of initial board members shall be staggered as follows: 8 One member shall be appointed to a one-year term; one member shall be
- 9 appointed to a two-year term; one member shall be appointed to a three-
- 10 year term; one member shall be appointed to a four-year term; and one
- 11 member shall be appointed to a five-year term.
- 12 (5) A vacancy on the board shall be filled in the same manner as 13 the original appointment.
- 14 (6) Each member shall serve for the term of his or her appointment 15 and until his or her successor is appointed.
- 16 (7) The members shall annually select a chair from among 17 themselves.
- 18 (8) Staff shall be provided by the office of the attorney general.
- 19 NEW SECTION. Sec. 205. AUTHORITY OF EXECUTIVE ETHICS BOARD. (1)
- 20 The executive ethics board shall hear all matters related to the
- 21 statutes, rules, and policies that establish standards of ethical
- 22 conduct for state-wide elected officers and all other officers and
- 23 employees in the executive branch, boards and commissions, and
- 24 institutions of higher education. Subject to the limitations in
- 25 section 223 of this act, the executive ethics board has jurisdiction
- 26 over matters involving any alleged violation occurring before January
- 27 1, 1995, based on the statutes, rules, and policies in effect at the
- 28 time of the violation.
- 29 (2) The executive ethics board shall:
- 30 (a) Develop educational materials and training;
- 31 (b) Adopt rules or policies, including but not limited to defining
- 32 working hours;
- 33 (c) Issue advisory opinions;
- 34 (d) Investigate, hear, and determine complaints by any person or on
- 35 its own motion;
- 36 (e) Impose sanctions including reprimands and monetary penalties;
- 37 (f) Recommend to the appropriate authorities suspension, removal
- 38 from position, prosecution, or other appropriate remedy; and

- 1 (g) Establish criteria regarding the levels of civil penalties 2 appropriate for violations of this chapter and rules and policies
- 3 adopted under it.
- 4 (3) The board may:
- 5 (a) Issue subpoenas for the attendance and testimony of witnesses 6 and the production of documentary evidence relating to any matter under
- 7 examination by the board or involved in any hearing;
- 8 (b) Administer oaths and affirmations;
- 9 (c) Examine witnesses; and
- 10 (d) Receive evidence.
- 11 (4) The executive ethics board may review and approve agency
- 12 policies as provided for in this chapter.
- 13 (5) This section does not apply to state officers and state
- 14 employees of the judicial branch.
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 206.** AUTHORITY OF COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL
- 16 CONDUCT. The commission on judicial conduct shall enforce this chapter
- 17 and rules and policies adopted under it with respect to state officers
- 18 and employees of the judicial branch and may do so according to
- 19 procedures prescribed in Article IV, section 31 of the state
- 20 Constitution. In addition to the sanctions authorized in Article IV,
- 21 section 31 of the state Constitution, the commission may impose
- 22 sanctions authorized by this chapter.
- 23 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 207.** POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF CITIZEN BOARD
- 24 MEMBERS. No member of the executive ethics board and none of the five
- 25 citizen members of the legislative ethics board may (1) hold or
- 26 campaign for partisan elective office other than the position of
- 27 precinct committeeperson, or any full-time nonpartisan office; (2) be
- 28 an officer of any political party or political committee as defined in
- 29 chapter 42.17 RCW other than the position of precinct committeeperson;
- 30 (3) permit his or her name to be used, or make contributions, in
- 31 support of or in opposition to any state candidate or state ballot
- 32 measure; or (4) lobby or control, direct, or assist a lobbyist except
- 33 that such member may appear before any committee of the legislature on
- 34 matters pertaining to this chapter.
- 35 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 208.** HEARING AND SUBPOENA AUTHORITY. Except as
- 36 otherwise provided by law, the ethics boards may hold hearings,

- subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance, administer oaths, take the testimony of a person under oath, and in connection therewith, to require the production for examination of any books or papers relating to any matter under investigation or in question before the ethics board. The ethics board may make rules as to the issuance of subpoenas by individual members, as to service of complaints, decisions, orders, recommendations, and other process or papers of the ethics board.
- 8 NEW SECTION. Sec. 209. ENFORCEMENT OF SUBPOENA AUTHORITY. 9 case of refusal to obey a subpoena issued to a person, the superior court of a county within the jurisdiction of which the investigation, 10 11 proceeding, or hearing under this chapter is carried on or within the 12 jurisdiction of which the person refusing to obey is found or resides or transacts business, upon application by the appropriate ethics board 13 14 shall have jurisdiction to issue to the person an order requiring the 15 person to appear before the ethics board or its member to produce evidence if so ordered, or to give testimony touching the matter under 16 investigation or in question. Failure to obey such order of the court 17 18 may be punished by the court as contempt.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 210. FILING COMPLAINT. (1) A person may, personally or by his or her attorney, make, sign, and file with the appropriate ethics board a complaint on a form provided by the appropriate ethics board. The complaint shall state the name of the person alleged to have violated this chapter or rules or policies adopted under it and the particulars thereof, and contain such other information as may be required by the appropriate ethics board.
- (2) If it has reason to believe that any person has been engaged or is engaging in a violation of this chapter or rules or policies adopted under it, an ethics board may issue a complaint.
- NEW SECTION. INVESTIGATION. After the filing of any 29 Sec. 211. complaint, except as provided in section 214 of this act, the staff of 30 the appropriate ethics board shall investigate the complaint. 31 32 investigation shall be limited to the alleged facts contained in the The results of the investigation shall be reduced to 33 complaint. 34 writing and a determination shall be made that there is or that there is not reasonable cause to believe that a violation of this chapter or 35 36 rules or policies adopted under it has been or is being committed. A

- copy of the written determination shall be provided to the complainant
- 2 and to the person named in such complaint.
- 3 NEW SECTION. Sec. 212. PUBLIC HEARING--FINDINGS. (1) If the ethics board determines there is reasonable cause under section 211 of 4 this act that a violation of this chapter or rules or policies adopted 5 under it occurred, a public hearing on the merits of the complaint 6 7 shall be held.
- 8 (2) The ethics board shall designate the location of the hearing.
- 9 The case in support of the complaint shall be presented at the hearing 10 by staff of the ethics board.
- 11 (3) The respondent shall file a written answer to the complaint and
- appear at the hearing in person or otherwise, with or without counsel, 12
- 13 and submit testimony and be fully heard. The respondent has the right
- to cross-examine witnesses. 14

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- (4) Testimony taken at the hearing shall be under oath and 15 16 recorded.
- 17 (5) If, based upon a preponderance of the evidence, the ethics 18 board finds that the respondent has violated this chapter or rules or policies adopted under it, the board shall file an order stating 19 findings of fact and enforcement action as authorized under this 20 21
- 22 (6) If, upon all the evidence, the ethics board finds that the 23 respondent has not engaged in an alleged violation of this chapter or 24 rules or policies adopted under it, the ethics board shall state 25 findings of fact and shall similarly issue and file an order dismissing 26 the complaint.
- 27 (7) If the board makes a determination that there is not reasonable 28 cause to believe that a violation has been or is being committed or has 29 made a finding under subsection (6) of this section, the attorney general shall represent the officer or employee in any action 30 31 subsequently commenced based on the alleged facts in the complaint.
- 32 NEW SECTION. Sec. 213. REVIEW OF ORDER. Except as otherwise provided by law, reconsideration or judicial review of an ethics 33 34 board's order that a violation of this chapter or rules or policies adopted under it has occurred shall be governed by the provisions of 35 chapter 34.05 RCW applicable to review of adjudicative proceedings. 36

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 214. COMPLAINT AGAINST LEGISLATOR OR STATE-WIDE ELECTED OFFICIAL. (1) If a complaint alleges a violation of section 118 of this act by a legislator or state-wide elected official other than the attorney general, the attorney general shall conduct the investigation under section 211 of this act and recommend action to the appropriate ethics board.
- 7 (2) If a complaint alleges a violation of section 118 of this act 8 by the attorney general, the state auditor shall conduct the 9 investigation under section 211 of this act and recommend action to the 10 appropriate ethics board.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 215. CITIZEN ACTIONS. Any person who has 11 12 notified the appropriate ethics board and the attorney general in writing that there is reason to believe that section 118 of this act is 13 14 being or has been violated may, in the name of the state, bring a 15 citizen action for any of the actions authorized under this chapter. A citizen action may be brought only if the appropriate ethics board or 16 the attorney general have failed to commence an action under this 17 18 chapter within forty-five days after notice from the person, the person 19 has thereafter notified the appropriate ethics board and the attorney general that the person will commence a citizen's action within ten 20 days upon their failure to commence an action, and the appropriate 21 22 ethics board and the attorney general have in fact failed to bring an 23 action within ten days of receipt of the second notice.
- If the person who brings the citizen's action prevails, the judgment awarded shall escheat to the state, but the person shall be entitled to be reimbursed by the state of Washington for costs and attorneys' fees incurred. If a citizen's action that the court finds was brought without reasonable cause is dismissed, the court may order the person commencing the action to pay all costs of trial and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by the defendant.
- 31 Upon commencement of a citizen action under this section, at the 32 request of a state officer or state employee who is a defendant, the 33 office of the attorney general shall represent the defendant if the 34 attorney general finds that the defendant's conduct complied with this 35 chapter and was within the scope of employment.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 216. REFERRAL FOR ENFORCEMENT. As appropriate, an ethics board may refer a complaint:

- 1 (1) To an agency for initial investigation and proposed resolution 2 which shall be referred back to the appropriate ethics board for
- 3 action; or
- 4 (2) To the attorney general's office or prosecutor for appropriate 5 action.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 217. ACTION BY BOARDS. (1) Except as otherwise provided by law, an ethics board may order payment of the following amounts if it finds a violation of this chapter or rules or policies adopted under it after a hearing under section 206 of this act or other applicable law:
- 11 (a) Any damages sustained by the state that are caused by the 12 conduct constituting the violation;
- (b) From each such person, a civil penalty of up to five thousand dollars per violation or three times the economic value of any thing received or sought in violation of this chapter or rules or policies adopted under it, whichever is greater; and
- 17 (c) Costs, including reasonable investigative costs, which shall be 18 included as part of the limit under (b) of this subsection.
- 19 (2) Damages under this section may be enforced in the same manner 20 as a judgment in a civil case.
- Sec. 218. ACTION BY ATTORNEY GENERAL. 21 NEW SECTION. 22 written determination by the attorney general that the action of an 23 ethics board was clearly erroneous or if requested by an ethics board, 24 the attorney general may bring a civil action in the superior court of 25 the county in which the violation is alleged to have occurred against a state officer, state employee, former state officer, former state 26 27 employee, or other person who has violated or knowingly assisted 28 another person in violating any of the provisions of this chapter or 29 the rules or policies adopted under it. In such action the attorney general may recover the following amounts on behalf of the state of 30 31 Washington:
- 32 (1) Any damages sustained by the state that are caused by the 33 conduct constituting the violation;
- (2) From each such person, a civil penalty of up to five thousand dollars per violation or three times the economic value of any thing received or sought in violation of this chapter or the rules or policies adopted under it, whichever is greater; and

- 1 (3) Costs, including reasonable investigative costs, which shall be 2 included as part of the limit under subsection (2) of this section.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 219. HEARINGS CONDUCTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE LAW
  JUDGE. If the appropriate ethics board determines that a civil penalty
  exceeding five hundred dollars is possible, at the option of the ethics
  board enforcing this chapter or at the request of the person subject to
  the enforcement action, an administrative law judge shall be requested
  by the appropriate ethics board to conduct the hearing and rule on
  procedural and evidentiary matters.
- Sec. 220. RESCISSION OF STATE ACTION. 10 NEW SECTION. (1) The 11 attorney general may, on request of the governor or the appropriate agency, and in addition to other available rights of rescission, bring 12 13 an action in the superior court of Thurston county to cancel or rescind state action taken by a state officer or state employee, without 14 15 liability to the state of Washington, contractual or otherwise, if the governor or ethics board has reason to believe that: (a) A violation 16 17 of this chapter or rules or policies adopted under it has substantially 18 influenced the state action, and (b) the interest of the state requires the cancellation or rescission. The governor may suspend state action 19 pending the determination of the merits of the controversy under this 20 The court may permit persons affected by the governor's 21 22 actions to post an adequate bond pending such resolution to ensure 23 compliance by the defendant with the final judgment, decree, or other 24 order of the court.
- 25 (2) This section does not limit other available remedies.
- 26 **Sec. 221.** RCW 42.18.260 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 26 are each amended 27 to read as follows:
- (1) ((The head of an agency may dismiss, suspend, or take such other action as may be appropriate in the circumstances in respect to any state employee of his agency upon finding that such employee has violated this chapter or regulations promulgated hereunder. Such action may include the imposition of conditions of the nature described in RCW 42.18.270(1))) A violation of this chapter or rules or policies adopted under it is grounds for disciplinary action.
- 35 (2) The procedures for any such action shall correspond to those 36 applicable for disciplinary action for employee misconduct generally;

- 1 for those state officers and state employees not specifically exempted
- 2 ((therein)) in chapter 41.06 RCW, the rules set forth in ((the state
- 3 civil service law,)) chapter 41.06 RCW((-7)) shall apply. Any action
- 4 against the <u>state officer or state</u> employee shall be subject to
- 5 judicial review to the extent provided by law for disciplinary action
- 6 for misconduct of state officers and state employees of the same
- 7 category and grade.
- 8 NEW SECTION. Sec. 222. ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITY. In
- 9 addition to other authority under this chapter, the attorney general
- 10 may investigate persons not under the jurisdiction of an ethics board
- 11 whom the attorney general has reason to believe were involved in
- 12 transactions in violation of this chapter or rules or policies adopted
- 13 under it.
- 14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 223.** LIMITATIONS PERIOD. Any action taken
- 15 under this chapter must be commenced within the later of (1) five years
- 16 from the date of the violation or (2)(a) two years from the date the
- 17 violation was discovered or reasonably should have been discovered by
- 18 any person with direct or indirect supervisory responsibilities over
- 19 the person who allegedly committed the violation; or (b) if no person
- 20 has direct or indirect supervisory authority over the person who
- 21 allegedly committed the violation, two years from the date the
- 22 violation was discovered or reasonably should have been discovered by
- 23 the appropriate ethics board.
- 24 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 224.** The members of the legislative ethics
- 25 board created by section 201 of this act and the executive ethics board
- 26 created by section 203 of this act shall be appointed no later than
- 27 October 1, 1994. Notwithstanding the authority granted to these boards
- 28 by sections 202 and 204 of this act, until January 1, 1995, the
- 29 authority of each board shall be limited to conducting meetings and
- 30 incurring expenses solely for administrative and organizational
- 31 purposes.
- This section shall expire January 1, 1995.
- 33 PART III
- 34 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 1 NEW SECTION. Sec. 301. LIBERAL CONSTRUCTION. This chapter shall
- 2 be construed liberally to effectuate its purposes and policy and to
- 3 supplement existing laws as may relate to the same subject.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 302.** PARTS AND CAPTIONS NOT LAW. Parts and
- 5 captions used in this act do not constitute any part of the law.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 303.** The following sections are each recodified
- 7 as sections in chapter 42.-- RCW (sections 101 through 109, 111 through
- 8 115, 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302
- 9 of this act):
- 10 RCW 42.18.217
- 11 RCW 42.18.230
- 12 RCW 42.18.260
- 13 RCW 42.18.270
- 14 RCW 42.18.330
- 15 RCW 42.22.050
- 16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 304.** The following acts or parts of acts are
- 17 each repealed:
- 18 (1) RCW 42.18.010 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 1;
- 19 (2) RCW 42.18.020 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 2;
- 20 (3) RCW 42.18.030 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 3;
- 21 (4) RCW 42.18.040 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 4;
- 22 (5) RCW 42.18.050 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 5;
- 23 (6) RCW 42.18.060 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 6;
- 24 (7) RCW 42.18.070 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 7;
- 25 (8) RCW 42.18.080 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 8;
- 26 (9) RCW 42.18.090 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 9;
- 27 (10) RCW 42.18.100 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 10;
- 28 (11) RCW 42.18.110 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 11;
- 29 (12) RCW 42.18.120 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 12;
- 30 (13) RCW 42.18.130 and 1973 c 137 s 1 & 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 13;
- 31 (14) RCW 42.18.140 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 14;
- 32 (15) RCW 42.18.150 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 15;
- 33 (16) RCW 42.18.170 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 17;
- 34 (17) RCW 42.18.180 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 18;
- 35 (18) RCW 42.18.190 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 19;
- 36 (19) RCW 42.18.200 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 20;

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(20) RCW 42.18.210 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 21;
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        (21) RCW 42.18.213 and 1987 c 426 s 1;
        (22) RCW 42.18.215 and 1987 c 426 s 2;
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        (23) RCW 42.18.221 and 1989 c 96 s 6 & 1987 c 426 s 4;
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        (24) RCW 42.18.240 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 24;
        (25) RCW 42.18.250 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 25;
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        (26) RCW 42.18.280 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 28;
        (27) RCW 42.18.290 and 1973 c 137 s 2 & 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 29;
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        (28) RCW 42.18.300 and 1973 c 137 s 3 & 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 30;
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        (29) RCW 42.18.310 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 31;
        (30) RCW 42.18.320 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 32;
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        (31) RCW 42.18.900 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 40;
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        (32) RCW 42.20.010 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 34 & 1909 c 249 s 82;
        (33) RCW 42.21.010 and 1965 ex.s. c 150 s 1;
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        (34) RCW 42.21.020 and 1989 c 175 s 93, 1971 c 81 s 106, & 1965
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    ex.s. c 150 s 2;
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        (35) RCW 42.21.030 and 1965 ex.s. c 150 s 3;
        (36) RCW 42.21.040 and 1965 ex.s. c 150 s 4;
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        (37) RCW 42.21.050 and 1965 ex.s. c 150 s 5;
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        (38) RCW 42.21.080 and 1965 ex.s. c 150 s 8;
        (39) RCW 42.21.090 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 36;
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        (40) RCW 42.22.010 and 1959 c 320 s 1;
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        (41) RCW 42.22.020 and 1959 c 320 s 2;
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        (42) RCW 42.22.030 and 1961 c 268 s 8 & 1959 c 320 s 3;
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        (43) RCW 42.22.040 and 1989 c 11 s 13 & 1959 c 320 s 4;
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        (44) RCW 42.22.060 and 1959 c 320 s 6;
        (45) RCW 42.22.070 and 1959 c 320 s 7;
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        (46) RCW 42.22.120 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 37;
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        (47) RCW 44.60.010 and 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 1 & 1967 ex.s. c 150 s 1;
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        (48) RCW 44.60.020 and 1980 c 87 s 43, 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 2, & 1967
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    ex.s. c 150 s 2;
        (49) RCW 44.60.030 and 1967 ex.s. c 150 s 3;
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        (50) RCW 44.60.040 and 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 3 & 1967 ex.s. c 150 s 4;
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        (51) RCW 44.60.050 and 1984 c 287 s 92, 1979 c 151 s 159, 1977
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    ex.s. c 218 s 4, 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 34 s 135, & 1967 ex.s. c 150 s 5;
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        (52) RCW 44.60.070 and 1980 c 165 s 1, 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 5, & 1967
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    ex.s. c 150 s 6;
        (53) RCW 44.60.080 and 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 6 & 1967 ex.s. c 150 s 8;
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        (54) RCW 44.60.090 and 1967 ex.s. c 150 s 9;
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- 1 (55) RCW 44.60.100 and 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 7;
- 2 (56) RCW 44.60.110 and 1980 c 165 s 2 & 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 8;
- 3 (57) RCW 44.60.120 and 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 9; and
- 4 (58) RCW 44.60.130 and 1977 ex.s. c 218 s 10.

- 5 **Sec. 305.** RCW 27.26.070 and 1989 c 96 s 3 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 (1) The commission may cooperate with other agencies both inside and outside the state of Washington to establish a private, nonprofit 8 9 corporation for the purpose of providing automated bibliographic, interlibrary, reference, 10 computer-based telecommunications, 11 referral systems, computer network services, and related library 12 services that are equivalent to the services provided by the western library network on June 1, 1989. The commission may adopt policies and 13 14 rules consistent with the purposes and provisions of RCW 27.26.070 through 27.26.090 and section 11, chapter 96, Laws of 1989 and ((RCW 15 16 42.18.221)) chapter 42.--- RCW (sections 101 through 109, 111 through 115, 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302 17
- 19 (2) The commission may terminate the services provided by the western library network before June 30, 1997, if a successor 20 organization agrees to assume full responsibility for providing 21 22 services that are equivalent to the services provided by the western 23 library network on June 1, 1989, to the state library, other agencies 24 of state and local government, and other users of the western library 25 The commission may not terminate western library network services within six months after June 1, 1989. The commission may not 26 enter into a contract with a successor organization for the delivery of 27 network services after five and one-half years from June 1, 1989. 28

of this act) pursuant to the administrative procedure act.

- 29 **Sec. 306.** RCW 28B.50.060 and 1991 c 238 s 31 are each amended to 30 read as follows:
- A director of the state system of community and technical colleges shall be appointed by the college board and shall serve at the pleasure of the college board. The director shall be appointed with due regard to the applicant's fitness and background in education, and knowledge of and recent practical experience in the field of educational administration particularly in institutions beyond the high school level. The college board may also take into consideration an

1 applicant's proven management background even though not particularly 2 in the field of education.

The director shall devote his or her time to the duties of his or her office and shall not have any direct pecuniary interest in or any stock or bonds of any business connected with or selling supplies to the field of education within this state, in keeping with chapter ((42.18 RCW, the executive conflict of interest act)) 42.--- RCW (sections 101 through 109, 111 through 115, 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302 of this act).

The director shall receive a salary to be fixed by the college board and shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in the discharge of his or her official duties in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060((, as now existing or hereafter amended)).

The director shall be the executive officer of the college board 14 15 and serve as its secretary and under its supervision shall administer 16 the provisions of this chapter and the rules((, regulations)) and orders established thereunder and all other laws of the state. 17 director shall attend, but not vote at, all meetings of the college 18 19 board. The director shall be in charge of offices of the college board 20 and responsible to the college board for the preparation of reports and the collection and dissemination of data and other public information 21 22 relating to the state system of community and technical colleges. 23 the direction of the college board, the director shall, together with 24 the chairman of the college board, execute all contracts entered into 25 by the college board.

The director shall, with the approval of the college board: (1) Employ necessary assistant directors of major staff divisions who shall serve at the director's pleasure on such terms and conditions as the director determines, and (2) subject to the provisions of chapter ((28B.16)) 41.06 RCW((, the higher education personnel law,)) the director shall, with the approval of the college board, appoint and employ such field and office assistants, clerks and other employees as may be required and authorized for the proper discharge of the functions of the college board and for whose services funds have been appropriated.

The board may, by written order filed in its office, delegate to the director any of the powers and duties vested in or imposed upon it by this chapter. Such delegated powers and duties may be exercised by the director in the name of the college board.

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- 1 **Sec. 307.** RCW 28C.18.040 and 1991 c 238 s 5 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
- 3 (1) The director shall serve as chief executive officer of the 4 board who shall administer the provisions of this chapter, employ such 5 personnel as may be necessary to implement the purposes of this 6 chapter, and utilize staff of existing operating agencies to the 7 fullest extent possible.
  - (2) The director shall not be the chair of the board.

- 9 (3) Subject to the approval of the board, the director shall 10 appoint necessary deputy and assistant directors and other staff who shall be exempt from the provisions of chapter 41.06 RCW. 11 director's appointees shall serve at the director's pleasure on such 12 13 terms and conditions as the director determines but subject to ((the 14 code of ethics contained in chapter 42.18 RCW)) chapter 42.--- RCW 15 (sections 101 through 109, 111 through 115, 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302 of this act). 16
- 17 (4) The director shall appoint and employ such other employees as 18 may be required for the proper discharge of the functions of the board.
- 19 (5) The director shall, as permissible under P.L. 101-392, as 20 amended, integrate the staff of the council on vocational education, 21 and contract with the state board for community and technical colleges 22 for assistance for adult basic skills and literacy policy development 23 and planning as required by P.L. 100-297, as amended.
- 24 **Sec. 308.** RCW 35.02.130 and 1991 c 360 s 3 are each amended to 25 read as follows:

The city or town officially shall become incorporated at a date 26 27 from one hundred eighty days to three hundred sixty days after the date of the election on the question of incorporation. An interim period 28 29 shall exist between the time the newly elected officials have been elected and qualified and this official date of incorporation. During 30 this interim period, the newly elected officials are authorized to 31 adopt ordinances and resolutions which shall become effective on or 32 33 after the official date of incorporation, and to enter into contracts 34 and agreements to facilitate the transition to becoming a city or town and to ensure a continuation of governmental services after the 35 36 official date of incorporation. Periods of time that would be required to elapse between the enactment and effective date of such ordinances, 37 38 including but not limited to times for publication or for filing

1 referendums, shall commence upon the date of such enactment as though 2 the city or town were officially incorporated.

During this interim period, the city or town governing body may adopt rules establishing policies and procedures under the state environmental policy act, chapter 43.21C RCW, and may use these rules and procedures in making determinations under the state environmental policy act, chapter 43.21C RCW.

During this interim period, the newly formed city or town and its 8 9 governing body shall be subject to the following as though the city or 10 town were officially incorporated: RCW 4.24.470 relating to immunity; chapter 42.17 RCW relating to open government; chapter 40.14 RCW 11 relating to the preservation and disposition of public records; 12 chapters  $42.20((\frac{42.22}{100}))$  and 42.23 RCW relating to ethics and 13 conflicts of interest; chapters 42.30 and 42.32 RCW relating to open 14 15 public meetings and minutes; RCW 35.22.288, 35.23.310, 35.24.220, 16 35.27.300, 35A.12.160, as appropriate, and chapter 35A.65 RCW relating 17 to the publication of notices and ordinances; RCW 35.21.875 and 35A.21.230 relating to the designation of an official newspaper; RCW 18 19 36.16.138 relating to liability insurance; RCW 35.22.620, 35.23.352, 20 and 35A.40.210, as appropriate, and statutes referenced therein relating to public contracts and bidding; and chapter 39.34 RCW 21 relating to interlocal cooperation. 22 Tax anticipation or revenue anticipation notes or warrants and other short-term obligations may be 23 24 issued and funds may be borrowed on the security of these instruments 25 during this interim period, as provided in chapter 39.50 RCW. 26 also may be borrowed from federal, state, and other governmental 27 agencies in the same manner as if the city or town were officially 28 incorporated.

29 RCW 84.52.020 and 84.52.070 shall apply to the extent that they may 30 be applicable, and the governing body of such city or town may take 31 appropriate action by ordinance during the interim period to adopt the 32 property tax levy for its first full calendar year following the 33 interim period.

The governing body of the new city or town may acquire needed facilities, supplies, equipment, insurance, and staff during this interim period as if the city or town were in existence. An interim city manager or administrator, who shall have such administrative powers and duties as are delegated by the governing body, may be appointed to serve only until the official date of incorporation.

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After the official date of incorporation the governing body of such a new city organized under the council manager form of government may extend the appointment of such an interim manager or administrator with such limited powers as the governing body determines, for up to ninety This governing body may submit ballot propositions to the voters of the city or town to authorize taxes to be collected on or after the official date of incorporation, or authorize an annexation of the city or town by a fire protection district or library district to be effective immediately upon the effective date of the incorporation as a city or town.

The boundaries of a newly incorporated city or town shall be deemed to be established for purposes of RCW 84.09.030 on the date that the results of the initial election on the question of incorporation are certified or the first day of January following the date of this election if the newly incorporated city or town does not impose property taxes in the same year that the voters approve the incorporation.

 The newly elected officials shall take office immediately upon their election and qualification with limited powers during this interim period as provided in this section. They shall acquire their full powers as of the official date of incorporation and shall continue in office until their successors are elected and qualified at the next general municipal election after the official date of incorporation: PROVIDED, That if the date of the next general municipal election is less than twelve months after the date of the first election of councilmembers, those initially elected councilmembers shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified at the next following general municipal election as provided in RCW 29.04.170. For purposes of this section, the general municipal election shall be the date on which city and town general elections are held throughout the state of Washington, pursuant to RCW 29.13.020.

The official date of incorporation shall be on a date from one hundred eighty to three hundred sixty days after the date of the election on the question of incorporation, as specified in a resolution adopted by the governing body during this interim period. A copy of the resolution shall be filed with the county legislative authority of the county in which all or the major portion of the newly incorporated city or town is located. If the governing body fails to adopt such a resolution, the official date of incorporation shall be three hundred

sixty days after the date of the election on the question of incorporation. The county legislative authority of the county in which 2 3

all or the major portion of the newly incorporated city or town is

- 4 located shall file a notice with the county assessor that the city or
- town has been authorized to be incorporated immediately after the 5
- favorable results of the election on the question of incorporation have 6
- 7 been certified. The county legislative authority shall file a notice
- 8 with the secretary of state that the city or town is incorporated as of
- 9 the official date of incorporation.
- 10 **Sec. 309.** RCW 35.21.418 and 1984 c 1 s 2 are each amended to read as follows: 11
- 12 A commission, established by an agreement between a Washington 13 municipality and the Province of British Columbia to carry out a treaty 14 between the United States of America and Canada as authorized in RCW 35.21.417, shall be public and shall have all powers and capacity 15 necessary and appropriate for the purposes of performing its functions 16 under the agreement, including, but not limited to, the following 17 18 powers and capacity: To acquire and dispose of real property other 19 than by condemnation; to enter into contracts; to sue and be sued in either Canada or the United States; to establish an endowment fund in 20 either or both the United States and Canada and to invest the endowment 21 fund in either or both countries; to solicit, accept, and use 22 23 donations, grants, bequests, or devises intended for furthering the 24 functions of the endowment; to adopt such rules or procedures as it 25 deems desirable for performing its functions; to engage advisors and 26 consultants; to establish committees and subcommittees; to adopt rules 27 for its governance; to enter into agreements with public and private entities; and to engage in activities necessary and appropriate for 28
- 30 The endowment fund and commission may not be subject to state or local taxation. A commission, so established, may not be subject to 31 32 statutes and laws governing Washington cities and municipalities in the 33 conduct of its internal affairs: PROVIDED, That all commission members 34 appointed by the municipality shall comply with chapter ((42.22 RCW))42.--- RCW (sections 101 through 109, 111 through 115, 118 through 120, 35 36 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302 of this act), and: 37 PROVIDED FURTHER, That all commission meetings held within the state of 38 Washington shall be held in compliance with chapter 42.30 RCW. All

implementing the agreement and the treaty.

- 1 obligations or liabilities incurred by the commission shall be 2 satisfied exclusively from its own assets and insurance.
- 3 **Sec. 310.** RCW 43.33A.110 and 1989 c 179 s 1 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- 5 The state investment board may make appropriate rules and regulations for the performance of its duties. 6 The board shall 7 establish investment policies and procedures designed exclusively to maximize return at a prudent level of risk. However, in the case of 8 9 the department of labor and industries' accident, medical aid, and reserve funds, the board shall establish investment policies and 10 procedures designed to attempt to limit fluctuations in industrial 11 12 insurance premiums and, subject to this purpose, to maximize return at a prudent level of risk. The board shall adopt rules to ensure that 13 14 its members perform their functions in compliance with chapter ((42.18)15 RCW)) 42.--- RCW (sections 101 through 109, 111 through 115, 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302 of this 16 act). Rules adopted by the board shall be adopted pursuant to chapter 17 18 34.05 RCW.
- 19 **Sec. 311.** RCW 43.72.020 and 1993 c 492 s 403 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
- 21 (1) There is created an agency of state government to be known as 22 the Washington health services commission. The commission shall 23 consist of five members reflecting ethnic and racial diversity, 24 appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate. One member 25 shall be designated by the governor as chair and shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. The insurance commissioner shall serve as an 26 27 additional nonvoting member. Of the initial members, one shall be 28 appointed to a term of three years, two shall be appointed to a term of 29 four years, and two shall be appointed to a term of five years. Thereafter, members shall be appointed to five-year terms. Vacancies 30 31 shall be filled by appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term of the position being vacated. 32
- (2) Members of the commission shall have no pecuniary interest in any business subject to regulation by the commission and shall be subject to chapter ((42.18 RCW, the executive branch conflict of interest act)) 42.--- RCW (sections 101 through 109, 111 through 115,

- 1 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302 of this act).
- 3 (3) Members of the commission shall occupy their positions on a 4 full-time basis and are exempt from the provisions of chapter 41.06 5 RCW. Commission members and the professional commission staff are 6 subject to the public disclosure provisions of chapter 42.17 RCW. 7 Members shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the governor in 8 accordance with RCW 43.03.040. A majority of the members of the
- 10 **Sec. 312.** RCW 51.36.110 and 1993 c 515 s 6 are each amended to 11 read as follows:

commission constitutes a quorum for the conduct of business.

- 12 The director of the department of labor and industries or the 13 director's authorized representative shall have the authority to:
- 14 (1) Conduct audits and investigations of providers of medical, 15 chiropractic, dental, vocational, and other health services furnished 16 to industrially injured workers pursuant to Title 51 RCW. conduct of such audits or investigations, the director or 17 the 18 director's authorized representatives may examine all records, or portions thereof, including patient records, for which services were 19 rendered by a health services provider and reimbursed by the 20 department, notwithstanding the provisions of any other statute which 21 may make or purport to make such records privileged or confidential: 22 23 PROVIDED, That no original patient records shall be removed from the 24 premises of the health services provider, and that the disclosure of 25 any records or information obtained under authority of this section by 26 the department of labor and industries is prohibited and constitutes a violation of ((RCW 42.22.040)) section 105 of this act, unless such 27 disclosure is directly connected to the official duties of the 28 29 department: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That the disclosure of patient 30 information as required under this section shall not subject any physician or other health services provider to any liability for breach 31 of any confidential relationships between the provider and the patient: 32 33 AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That the director or the director's authorized 34 representative shall destroy all copies of patient medical records in 35 their possession upon completion of the audit, investigation, or

proceedings;

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- 1 (2) Approve or deny applications to participate as a provider of
- 2 services furnished to industrially injured workers pursuant to Title 51
- 3 RCW; and
- 4 (3) Terminate or suspend eligibility to participate as a provider
- 5 of services furnished to industrially injured workers pursuant to Title
- 6 51 RCW.
- 7 **Sec. 313.** RCW 66.08.080 and 1981 1st ex.s. c 5 s 3 are each
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 Except as provided by chapter ((42.18 RCW)) 42.--- RCW (sections
- 10 <u>101 through 109, 111 through 115, 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204</u>
- 11 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302 of this act), no member of the
- 12 board and no employee of the board shall have any interest, directly or
- 13 indirectly, in the manufacture of liquor or in any liquor sold under
- 14 this title, or derive any profit or remuneration from the sale of
- 15 liquor, other than the salary or wages payable to him in respect of his
- 16 office or position, and shall receive no gratuity from any person in
- 17 connection with such business.
- 18 **Sec. 314.** RCW 67.16.160 and 1973 1st ex.s. c 216 s 5 are each
- 19 amended to read as follows:
- No later than ninety days after July 16, 1973 the horse racing
- 21 commission shall promulgate, pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, reasonable
- 22 rules ((and regulations)) implementing to the extent applicable to the
- 23 circumstances of the horse racing commission the conflict of interest
- 24 laws of the state of Washington as set forth in chapters ((42.18,))
- 25 42.21 and ((42.22 RCW)) 42.--- RCW (sections 101 through 109, 111
- 26 through 115, 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301,
- 27 and 302 of this act).
- 28 **Sec. 315.** RCW 80.50.030 and 1990 c 12 s 3 are each amended to read
- 29 as follows:
- 30 (1) There is created and established the energy facility site
- 31 evaluation council.
- 32 (2)(a) The chairman of the council shall be appointed by the
- 33 governor with the advice and consent of the senate, shall have a vote
- 34 on matters before the council, shall serve for a term coextensive with
- 35 the term of the governor, and is removable for cause. The chairman may
- 36 designate a member of the council to serve as acting chairman in the

- 1 event of the chairman's absence. The chairman is a "state employee"
- 2 for the purposes of chapter ((42.18 RCW)) 42.--- RCW (sections 101
- 3 <u>through 109, 111 through 115, 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through</u>
- 4 <u>220</u>, <u>222</u>, <u>223</u>, <u>301</u>, <u>and 302 of this act)</u>. As applicable, when
- 5 attending meetings of the  $council(({ \{ , \} \}}))_{\perp}$  members may receive
- 6 reimbursement for travel expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and
- 7 43.03.060, and are eligible for compensation under RCW 43.03.240.
- 8 (b) The chairman or a designee shall execute all official
- 9 documents, contracts, and other materials on behalf of the council.
- 10 The Washington state energy office shall provide all administrative and
- 11 staff support for the council. The director of the energy office has
- 12 supervisory authority over the staff of the council and shall employ
- 13 such personnel as are necessary to implement this chapter. Not more
- 14 than three such employees may be exempt from chapter 41.06 RCW.
- 15 (3) The council shall consist of the directors, administrators, or
- 16 their designees, of the following departments, agencies, commissions,
- 17 and committees or their statutory successors:
- 18 (a) Department of ecology;
- 19 (b) Department of ((fisheries;
- 20 (c) Department of)) fish and wildlife;
- 21  $((\frac{d}{d}))$  (c) Parks and recreation commission;
- $((\frac{(e)}{(e)}))$  (d) Department of health;
- 23  $((\frac{f}))$  (e) State energy office;
- $((\frac{g}{g}))$  (f) Department of community, trade, and economic
- 25 development;
- 26  $((\frac{h}{}))$  (g) Utilities and transportation commission;
- $((\frac{(i)}{(i)}))$  (h) Office of financial management;
- 28  $((\frac{i}{j}))$  (i) Department of natural resources;
- 29 ((<del>(k)</del> Department of community development;
- 30  $\frac{(1)}{(j)}$  Department of agriculture;
- 31  $((\frac{m}{m}))$  (k) Department of transportation.
- 32 (4) The appropriate county legislative authority of every county
- 33 wherein an application for a proposed site is filed shall appoint a
- 34 member or designee as a voting member to the council. The member or
- 35 designee so appointed shall sit with the council only at such times as
- 36 the council considers the proposed site for the county which he or she
- 37 represents, and such member or designee shall serve until there has
- 38 been a final acceptance or rejection of the proposed site;

- 1 (5) The city legislative authority of every city within whose 2 corporate limits an energy plant is proposed to be located shall 3 appoint a member or designee as a voting member to the council. The 4 member or designee so appointed shall sit with the council only at such 5 times as the council considers the proposed site for the city which he 6 or she represents, and such member or designee shall serve until there 7 has been a final acceptance or rejection of the proposed site.
- 8 (6) For any port district wherein an application for a proposed 9 port facility is filed subject to this chapter, the port district shall 10 appoint a member or designee as a nonvoting member to the council. The member or designee so appointed shall sit with the council only at such 11 times as the council considers the proposed site for the port district 12 13 which he or she represents, and such member or designee shall serve until there has been a final acceptance or rejection of the proposed 14 15 The provisions of this subsection shall not apply if the port 16 district is the applicant, either singly or in partnership or association with any other person. 17
- 18 **Sec. 316.** RCW 86.09.286 and 1969 ex.s. c 234 s 35 are each amended to read as follows:
- No director or any other officer named in this chapter shall in any 20 manner be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract awarded 21 or to be awarded by the board, or in the profits to be derived 22 23 therefrom; and for any violation of this provision, such officer shall 24 be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and such conviction shall work a 25 forfeiture of his office, and he shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail 26 not exceeding six months, or by both fine and imprisonment: PROVIDED, 27 That nothing in this section contained shall be construed to prevent 28 29 any district officer from being employed by the district as foreman or 30 as a day laborer: PROVIDED FURTHER, That this section shall have no application to any person who is a state employee as defined in ((RCW 31 42.18.130)) section 101 of this act. 32
- 33 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 317.** Sections 101 through 109, 111 through 115, 34 118 through 120, 201, 202, 204 through 220, 222, 223, 301, and 302 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 42 RCW.

- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 318.** Sections 101 through 121, 206 through 223,
- 2 and 301 through 316 of this act shall take effect January 1, 1995.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 319.** If any provision of this act or its 4 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 5 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 6 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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