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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 25.10.020 and 1994 c 211 s 1309 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
- 9 (1) The name of each limited partnership formed pursuant to this 10 chapter as set forth in its certificate of limited partnership:
- 11 (a) Shall contain the words "limited partnership" or the 12 abbreviation "L.P.";
- (b) May not contain the name of a limited partner unless (I) it is also the name of a general partner, or the corporate name of a corporate general partner, or (ii) the business of the limited partnership had been carried on under that name before the admission of that limited partner;
- (c) May not contain any of the following words or phrases: "Bank", "banking", "banker", "trust", "cooperative"; or any combination of the words "industrial" and "loan"; or any combination of any two or more of the words "building", "savings", "loan", "home", "association" and "society"; or any other words or phrases prohibited by any statute of this state;
- (d) Except as authorized by subsections (2) and (3) of this section, must be distinguishable upon the records of the secretary of state from:
- 27 (i) The name or reserved name of a foreign or domestic limited 28 partnership;
- 29 (ii) The name of any limited liability company reserved, 30 registered, or formed under the laws of this state or qualified to do 31 business as a foreign limited liability company in this state;
- 32 <u>(iii)</u> The corporate name of a corporation incorporated or 33 authorized to transact business in this state;
- (((iii))) (iv) A corporate name reserved or registered under RCW 23B.04.020 or 23B.04.030;

- 1 (((iv))) (v) The fictitious name adopted pursuant to RCW 23B.15.060 2 by a foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this state 3 because its real name is unavailable; and
- 4 (((v))) (vi) The corporate name of a not-for-profit corporation 5 incorporated or authorized to conduct affairs in this state((; and
- 6 (vi) The name of a limited liability company organized or 7 authorized to transact business in this state)).
- 8 (2) A limited partnership may apply to the secretary of state for 9 authorization to use a name that is not distinguishable upon the 10 records from one or more of the names described in subsection (1) of 11 this section. The secretary of state shall authorize use of the name 12 applied for if:
- 13 (a) The other limited partnership, corporation, or holder consents 14 to the use in writing and files with the secretary of state documents 15 necessary to change its name or the name reserved or registered to a 16 name that is distinguishable upon the records of the secretary of state 17 from the name of the applying limited partnership; or
- (b) The applicant delivers to the secretary of state a certified copy of the final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction establishing the applicant's right to use the name applied for in this state.
- (3) A limited partnership may use the name, including the fictitious name, of another domestic or foreign limited partnership, limited liability company, or corporation that is used in this state if the other limited partnership, limited liability company, or corporation is organized, incorporated, or authorized to transact business in this state and the proposed user limited partnership:
- 28 (a) Has merged with the other limited partnership, limited 29 liability company, or corporation; or
- 30 (b) Results from reorganization with the other limited partnership, 31 limited liability company, or corporation.
- 32 (4) A name shall not be considered distinguishable upon the records 33 of the secretary of state by virtue of:
- (a) A variation in the designation, under subsection (1)(a) of this section, used for the same name;
- 36 (b) The addition or deletion of an article or conjunction such as 37 "the" or "and" from the same name;
- 38 (c) Punctuation, capitalization, or special characters or symbols 39 in the same name; or

- 1 (d) Use of abbreviation or the plural form of a word in the same 2 name.
- 3 (5) This title does not control the use of assumed business names 4 or "trade names."
- 5 **Sec. 2.** RCW 25.10.330 and 1987 c 55 s 25 are each amended to read 6 as follows:

7 A limited partner may withdraw from a limited partnership at the time or upon the happening of events specified in and in accordance 8 with the partnership agreement. If the partnership agreement does not 9 specify the time or the events upon the happening of which a limited 10 partner may withdraw ((or a definite)), a limited partner may not 11 12 withdraw prior to the time for the dissolution and winding up of the limited partnership((, a limited partner may withdraw upon not less 13 14 than six months' prior written notice to each general partner at that 15 partner's address on the books of the limited partnership at its office in this state)). 16

- 17 **Sec. 3.** RCW 25.10.440 and 1991 c 269 s 30 are each amended to read 18 as follows:
- A limited partnership is dissolved and its affairs shall be wound up upon the happening of the first to occur of the following:
- (1) At the ((time)) date specified in the certificate of limited partnership as amended from time to time, or if no date is specified, at a date which is thirty years after the effective date of filing the original certificate of limited partnership;
- 25 (2) Upon the happening of events specified in the partnership 26 agreement;
  - (3) Written consent of all partners;

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28 (4) An event of withdrawal of a general partner unless at the time 29 there is at least one other general partner and the partnership agreement permits the business of the limited partnership to be carried 30 on by the remaining general partner and that partner does so, but the 31 32 limited partnership is not dissolved and is not required to be wound up 33 by reason of any event of withdrawal if, within ninety days after the withdrawal, all partners agree in writing to continue the business of 34 35 the limited partnership and to the appointment of one or more additional general partners if necessary or desired; 36

- 1 (5) Entry of a decree of judicial dissolution under RCW 25.10.450; 2 or
- 3 (6) Administrative dissolution under RCW 25.10.455."

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On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "partnership;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 25.10.020, 25.10.330, and 25.10.440."

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