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- AN ACT Relating to liability of boards of directors or officers of nonprofit corporations; and amending RCW 4.24.264.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 4.24.264 and 1987 c 212 s 1101 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Except as provided in subsection $((\frac{2}{2}))$ of this section, a member of the board of directors or an officer of any nonprofit corporation is not individually liable for any discretionary decision or failure to make a discretionary decision within his or her official capacity as director or officer unless the decision or failure to decide constitutes gross negligence.
 - (2) A member of the board of directors or an officer of a nonprofit corporation is not individually liable for the nonprofit's failure to comply with provisions of the Washington administrative code, unless such failure to comply constitutes gross negligence.
- 16 <u>(3)</u> Nothing in this section shall limit or modify in any manner the 17 duties or liabilities of a director or officer of a corporation to the

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1 corporation or the corporation's members.

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