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By Senators Haugen, Stevens and Kline; by request of Office of Public Defense

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- AN ACT Relating to the advisory committee of the office of public 1 2 defense; and amending RCW 2.70.030.
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON: 3
- **Sec. 1.** RCW 2.70.030 and 1996 c 221 s 4 are each amended to read 4 5 as follows:
- (1) There is created an advisory committee consisting of the 6 7 following members:
 - (a) Three persons appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court, including the chair of the appellate indigent defense commission identified in subsection (3) of this section;
 - (b) Two nonattorneys appointed by the governor;
- (c) Two senators, one from each of the two largest caucuses, 12 appointed by the president of the senate; and two members of the house 13 14 representatives, one from each of the two largest caucuses, 15 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;
- 16 (d) One person appointed by the court of appeals executive 17 committee;
- (e) One person appointed by the Washington state bar association. 18

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(2) During the term of his or her appointment, no appointee may:
(a) Provide indigent defense services except on a pro bono basis; (b) serve as an appellate judge except on a pro tem basis or as an appellate court employee; or (c) serve as a prosecutor or prosecutor employee.

 (3) The initial advisory committee shall be comprised of the current members of the appellate indigent defense commission, as established by Supreme Court Order No. 25700-B, dated March 9, 1995, plus two additional legislator members appointed under subsection (1)(c) of this section. Members shall serve until the termination of their current terms, and may be reappointed. The two additional legislator members, who are not on the appellate indigent defense commission, shall each serve three-year terms. Members of the advisory committee shall receive no compensation for their services as members of the commission, but may be reimbursed for travel and other expenses in accordance with rules adopted by the office of financial management.

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