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Finds that the dissemination of personally identifying information as proscribed in RCW 4.24.680 is not in the public interest.

Provides that a person shall not knowingly make available on the world wide web the personal information of a peace officer, justice, judge, commissioner, public defender, or prosecutor if the dissemination of the personal information poses an imminent and serious threat to the peace officer's, justice's, judge's, commissioner's, public defender's, or prosecutor's safety or the safety of that person's immediate family and the threat is reasonably apparent to the person making the information available on the world wide web to be serious and imminent.

Provides that any person whose personal information is made available on the world wide web as described in RCW 4.24.680(1) who suffers damages as a result of such conduct may bring an action against the person or organization who makes such information available, for actual damages sustained plus punitive damages in an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.