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1            AN ACT Relating to special purpose district commissioner per diem  
2 compensation; and amending RCW 35.61.150, 52.14.010, 53.12.260,  
3 54.12.080, 57.12.010, 68.52.220, 70.44.050, 85.05.410, 85.06.380,  
4 85.08.320, 85.24.080, 86.09.283, 87.03.460, 36.57A.050, and 85.38.075.

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

6            **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.61.150 and 2002 c 88 s 6 are each amended to read  
7 as follows:

8            Metropolitan park commissioners selected by election according to  
9 RCW 35.61.050(2) shall perform their duties and may provide, by  
10 resolution passed by the commissioners, for the payment of compensation  
11 to each of its commissioners at a rate of up to (~~seventy~~) ninety  
12 dollars for each day or portion of a day devoted to the business of the  
13 district. However, the compensation for each commissioner must not  
14 exceed (~~six~~) eight thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred (~~twenty~~) forty  
15 dollars per year.

16            Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
17 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
18 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
19 clerk of the board. The waiver, to be effective, must be filed any

1 time after the commissioner's election and prior to the date on which  
2 the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver shall specify the  
3 month or period of months for which it is made.

4 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
5 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
6 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
7 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
8 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
9 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
10 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
11 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
12 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
13 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
14 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 52.14.010 and 1998 c 121 s 2 are each amended to read  
16 as follows:

17 The affairs of the district shall be managed by a board of fire  
18 commissioners composed of three registered voters residing in the  
19 district except as provided in RCW 52.14.015 and 52.14.020. Each  
20 member shall each receive (~~seventy~~) ninety dollars per day or portion  
21 thereof, not to exceed (~~six~~) eight thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred  
22 (~~twenty~~) forty dollars per year, for attendance at board meetings and  
23 for performance of other services in behalf of the district.

24 In addition, they shall receive necessary expenses incurred in  
25 attending meetings of the board or when otherwise engaged in district  
26 business, and shall be entitled to receive the same insurance available  
27 to all firefighters of the district: PROVIDED, That the premiums for  
28 such insurance, except liability insurance, shall be paid by the  
29 individual commissioners who elect to receive it.

30 Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
31 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
32 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
33 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
34 must be filed any time after the commissioner's election and prior to  
35 the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
36 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

1 The board shall fix the compensation to be paid the secretary and  
2 all other agents and employees of the district. The board may, by  
3 resolution adopted by unanimous vote, authorize any of its members to  
4 serve as volunteer firefighters without compensation. A commissioner  
5 actually serving as a volunteer firefighter may enjoy the rights and  
6 benefits of a volunteer firefighter.

7 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
8 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
9 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
10 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
11 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
12 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
13 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
14 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
15 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
16 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
17 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

18 **Sec. 3.** RCW 53.12.260 and 1998 c 121 s 3 are each amended to read  
19 as follows:

20 (1) Each commissioner of a port district shall receive (~~seventy~~)  
21 ninety dollars per day or portion thereof spent (a) in actual  
22 attendance at official meetings of the port district commission, or (b)  
23 in performance of other service in behalf of the district. The total  
24 per diem compensation of a port commissioner shall not exceed (~~six~~)  
25 eight thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred (~~twenty~~) forty dollars in a  
26 year, or (~~eight~~) ten thousand (~~four~~) eight hundred dollars in any  
27 year for a port district with gross operating income of twenty-five  
28 million or more in the preceding calendar year.

29 (2) Port commissioners shall receive additional compensation as  
30 follows: (a) Each commissioner of a port district with gross operating  
31 revenues of twenty-five million dollars or more in the preceding  
32 calendar year shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per month;  
33 and (b) each commissioner of a port district with gross operating  
34 revenues of from one million dollars to less than twenty-five million  
35 dollars in the preceding calendar year shall receive a salary of two  
36 hundred dollars per month.

1 (3) In lieu of the compensation specified in this section, a port  
2 commission may set compensation to be paid to commissioners.

3 (4) For any commissioner who has not elected to become a member of  
4 public employees retirement system before May 1, 1975, the compensation  
5 provided pursuant to this section shall not be considered salary for  
6 purposes of the provisions of any retirement system created pursuant to  
7 the general laws of this state nor shall attendance at such meetings or  
8 other service on behalf of the district constitute service as defined  
9 in RCW 41.40.010(9): PROVIDED, That in the case of a port district  
10 when commissioners are receiving compensation and contributing to the  
11 public employees retirement system, these benefits shall continue in  
12 full force and effect notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 53.12.260  
13 and 53.12.265.

14 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
15 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
16 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
17 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
18 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
19 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
20 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
21 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
22 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
23 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
24 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

25 **Sec. 4.** RCW 54.12.080 and 1998 c 121 s 4 are each amended to read  
26 as follows:

27 (1) Commissioners of public utility districts are eligible to  
28 receive salaries as follows:

29 (a) Each public utility district commissioner of a district  
30 operating utility properties shall receive a salary of one thousand  
31 dollars per month during a calendar year if the district received total  
32 gross revenue of over fifteen million dollars during the fiscal year  
33 ending June 30th before the calendar year. However, the board of  
34 commissioners of such a public utility district may pass a resolution  
35 increasing the rate of salary up to thirteen hundred dollars per month.

36 (b) Each public utility district commissioner of a district  
37 operating utility properties shall receive a salary of seven hundred

1 dollars per month during a calendar year if the district received total  
2 gross revenue of from two million dollars to fifteen million dollars  
3 during the fiscal year ending June 30th before the calendar year.  
4 However, the board of commissioners of such a public utility district  
5 may pass a resolution increasing the rate of salary up to nine hundred  
6 dollars per month.

7 (c) Commissioners of other districts shall serve without salary.  
8 However, the board of commissioners of such a public utility district  
9 may pass a resolution providing for salaries not exceeding four hundred  
10 dollars per month for each commissioner.

11 (2) In addition to salary, all districts may provide by resolution  
12 for the payment of per diem compensation to each commissioner at a rate  
13 not exceeding (~~seventy~~) ninety dollars for each day or major part  
14 thereof devoted to the business of the district, and days upon which he  
15 or she attends meetings of the commission of his or her district or  
16 meetings attended by one or more commissioners of two or more districts  
17 called to consider business common to them, but such compensation paid  
18 during any one year to a commissioner shall not exceed nine thousand  
19 eight hundred dollars. Per diem compensation shall not be paid for  
20 services of a ministerial or professional nature.

21 (3) Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
22 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
23 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
24 district as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
25 must be filed any time after the commissioner's election and prior to  
26 the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
27 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

28 (4) Each district commissioner shall be reimbursed for reasonable  
29 expenses actually incurred in connection with such business and  
30 meetings, including his or her subsistence and lodging and travel while  
31 away from his or her place of residence.

32 (5) Any district providing group insurance for its employees,  
33 covering them, their immediate family, and dependents, may provide  
34 insurance for its commissioner with the same coverage.

35 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
36 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
37 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
38 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any

1 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
2 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
3 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
4 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
5 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
6 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
7 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

8       **Sec. 5.** RCW 57.12.010 and 2001 c 63 s 1 are each amended to read  
9 as follows:

10       The governing body of a district shall be a board of commissioners  
11 consisting of three members, or five or seven members as provided in  
12 RCW 57.12.015. The board shall annually elect one of its members as  
13 president and another as secretary.

14       The board shall by resolution adopt rules governing the transaction  
15 of its business and shall adopt an official seal. All proceedings  
16 shall be by resolution recorded in a book kept for that purpose which  
17 shall be a public record.

18       A district shall provide by resolution for the payment of  
19 compensation to each of its commissioners at a rate of (~~seventy~~)  
20 ninety dollars for each day or portion thereof devoted to the business  
21 of the district. However the compensation for each commissioner shall  
22 not exceed (~~six~~) eight thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred (~~twenty~~)  
23 forty dollars per year. In addition, the secretary may be paid a  
24 reasonable sum for clerical services.

25       Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
26 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
27 during the commissioner's term of office, by a written waiver filed  
28 with the district at any time after the commissioner's election and  
29 prior to the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid.  
30 The waiver shall specify the month or period of months for which it is  
31 made.

32       No commissioner shall be employed full time by the district. A  
33 commissioner shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses actually  
34 incurred in connection with district business, including subsistence  
35 and lodging while away from the commissioner's place of residence and  
36 mileage for use of a privately-owned vehicle at the mileage rate  
37 authorized in RCW 43.03.060.

1        The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
2 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
3 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
4 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
5 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
6 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
7 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
8 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
9 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
10 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
11 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

12        **Sec. 6.** RCW 68.52.220 and 1998 c 121 s 6 are each amended to read  
13 as follows:

14        The affairs of the district shall be managed by a board of cemetery  
15 district commissioners composed of three members. Members of the board  
16 shall receive expenses necessarily incurred in attending meetings of  
17 the board or when otherwise engaged in district business. The board  
18 may provide, by resolution passed by the commissioners, for the payment  
19 of compensation to each of its commissioners at a rate of up to  
20 ((~~seventy~~)) ninety dollars for each day or portion of a day devoted to  
21 the business of the district. However, the compensation for each  
22 commissioner must not exceed ((~~six~~)) eight thousand ((~~seven~~)) six  
23 hundred ((~~twenty~~)) forty dollars per year.

24        Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
25 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
26 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
27 clerk of the board. The waiver, to be effective, must be filed any  
28 time after the commissioner's election and prior to the date on which  
29 the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver shall specify the  
30 month or period of months for which it is made. The board shall fix  
31 the compensation to be paid the secretary and other employees of the  
32 district. Cemetery district commissioners and candidates for cemetery  
33 district commissioner are exempt from the requirements of chapter 42.17  
34 RCW.

35        The initial cemetery district commissioners shall assume office  
36 immediately upon their election and qualification. Staggering of terms  
37 of office shall be accomplished as follows: (1) The person elected

1 receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected to a six-year  
2 term of office if the election is held in an odd-numbered year or a  
3 five-year term of office if the election is held in an even-numbered  
4 year; (2) the person who is elected receiving the next greatest number  
5 of votes shall be elected to a four-year term of office if the election  
6 is held in an odd-numbered year or a three-year term of office if the  
7 election is held in an even-numbered year; and (3) the other person who  
8 is elected shall be elected to a two-year term of office if the  
9 election is held in an odd-numbered year or a one-year term of office  
10 if the election is held in an even-numbered year. The initial  
11 commissioners shall assume office immediately after they are elected  
12 and qualified but their terms of office shall be calculated from the  
13 first day of January after the election.

14 Thereafter, commissioners shall be elected to six-year terms of  
15 office. Commissioners shall serve until their successors are elected  
16 and qualified and assume office as provided in RCW ((29.04.170))  
17 29A.20.040.

18 The polling places for a cemetery district election may be located  
19 inside or outside the boundaries of the district, as determined by the  
20 auditor of the county in which the cemetery district is located, and no  
21 such election shall be held irregular or void on that account.

22 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
23 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
24 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
25 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
26 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
27 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
28 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
29 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
30 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
31 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
32 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

33 **Sec. 7.** RCW 70.44.050 and 1998 c 121 s 7 are each amended to read  
34 as follows:

35 A district shall provide by resolution for the payment of  
36 compensation to each of its commissioners at a rate of ((seventy))  
37 ninety dollars for each day or portion thereof devoted to the business



1 of the district, and days upon which he or she attends meetings of the  
2 commission of his or her own district, or meetings attended by one or  
3 more commissioners of two or more districts called to consider business  
4 common to them, except that the total compensation paid to such  
5 commissioner during any one year shall not exceed (~~six~~) eight  
6 thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred (~~twenty~~) forty dollars. The  
7 commissioners may not be compensated for services performed of a  
8 ministerial or professional nature.

9 Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
10 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
11 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
12 district as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
13 must be filed any time after the commissioner's election and prior to  
14 the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
15 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

16 Any district providing group insurance for its employees, covering  
17 them, their immediate family, and dependents, may provide insurance for  
18 its commissioners with the same coverage. Each commissioner shall be  
19 reimbursed for reasonable expenses actually incurred in connection with  
20 such business and meetings, including his or her subsistence and  
21 lodging and travel while away from his or her place of residence. No  
22 resolution shall be adopted without a majority vote of the whole  
23 commission. The commission shall organize by election of its own  
24 members of a president and secretary, shall by resolution adopt rules  
25 governing the transaction of its business and shall adopt an official  
26 seal. All proceedings of the commission shall be by motion or  
27 resolution recorded in a book or books kept for such purpose, which  
28 shall be public records.

29 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
30 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
31 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
32 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
33 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
34 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
35 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
36 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
37 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code

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2 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

3 **Sec. 8.** RCW 85.05.410 and 1998 c 121 s 8 are each amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 Members of the board of diking commissioners of any diking district  
6 in this state may receive as compensation the sum of up to (~~seventy~~)  
7 ninety dollars for attendance at official meetings of the district and  
8 for each day or major part thereof for all necessary services actually  
9 performed in connection with their duties as commissioners, and shall  
10 receive the same compensation as other labor of a like character for  
11 all other necessary work or services performed in connection with their  
12 duties: PROVIDED, That such compensation shall not exceed (~~six~~)  
13 eight thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred (~~twenty~~) forty dollars in one  
14 calendar year, except when the commissioners declare an emergency.  
15 Allowance of such compensation shall be established and approved at  
16 regular meetings of the board, and when a copy of the extracts of  
17 minutes of the board meeting relative thereto showing such approval is  
18 certified by the secretary of such board and filed with the county  
19 auditor, the allowance made shall be paid as are other claims against  
20 the district.

21 Each commissioner is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable  
22 expenses actually incurred in connection with such business, including  
23 subsistence and lodging, while away from the commissioner's place of  
24 residence, and mileage for use of a privately owned vehicle in  
25 accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW.

26 Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
27 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
28 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
29 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
30 must be filed any time after the commissioner's election and prior to  
31 the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
32 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

33 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
34 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
35 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
36 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
37 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for

1 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
2 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
3 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
4 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
5 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
6 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

7 **Sec. 9.** RCW 85.06.380 and 1998 c 121 s 9 are each amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 In performing their duties under the provisions of this title the  
10 board and members of the board of drainage commissioners may receive as  
11 compensation up to (~~seventy~~) ninety dollars for attendance at  
12 official meetings of the district and for each day or major part  
13 thereof for all necessary services actually performed in connection  
14 with their duties as commissioners: PROVIDED, That such compensation  
15 shall not exceed (~~six~~) eight thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred  
16 (~~twenty~~) forty dollars in one calendar year: PROVIDED FURTHER, That  
17 such services and compensation are allowed and approved at a regular  
18 meeting of the board. Upon the submission of a copy, certified by the  
19 secretary, of the extracts of the relevant minutes of the board showing  
20 such approval, to the county auditor, the same shall be paid as other  
21 claims against the district are paid. Each commissioner is entitled to  
22 reimbursement for reasonable expenses actually incurred in connection  
23 with such business, including subsistence and lodging, while away from  
24 the commissioner's place of residence and mileage for use of a  
25 privately-owned vehicle in accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW.

26 Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
27 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
28 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
29 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
30 must be filed any time after the commissioner's election and prior to  
31 the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
32 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

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2 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
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4 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
5 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
6 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

7 **Sec. 10.** RCW 85.08.320 and 1998 c 121 s 10 are each amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 The compensation of the superintendent of construction, the board  
10 of appraisers hereinafter provided for, and any special engineer,  
11 attorney or agent employed by the district in connection with the  
12 improvement, the maximum wages to be paid, and the maximum price of  
13 materials to be used, shall be fixed by the district board of  
14 supervisors. Members of the board of supervisors may receive  
15 compensation up to (~~seventy~~) ninety dollars for attending each  
16 official meeting of the district and for each day or major part thereof  
17 for all necessary services actually performed in connection with their  
18 duties as supervisors: PROVIDED, That such compensation shall not  
19 exceed (~~six~~) eight thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred (~~twenty~~) forty  
20 dollars in one calendar year. Each supervisor shall be entitled to  
21 reimbursement for reasonable expenses actually incurred in connection  
22 with business, including subsistence and lodging while away from the  
23 supervisor's place of residence and mileage for use of a privately  
24 owned vehicle in accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW. All costs of  
25 construction or maintenance done under the direction of the board of  
26 supervisors shall be paid upon vouchers or payrolls verified by two of  
27 the said supervisors. All costs of construction and all other  
28 expenses, fees and charges on account of such improvement shall be paid  
29 by warrants drawn by the county auditor upon the county treasurer upon  
30 the proper fund, and shall draw interest at a rate determined by the  
31 county legislative authority until paid or called by the county  
32 treasurer as warrants of the county are called.

33 Any supervisor may waive all or any portion of his or her  
34 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
35 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
36 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,

1 must be filed any time after the supervisor's election and prior to the  
2 date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
3 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

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8 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
9 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
10 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
11 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
12 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
13 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
14 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

15 **Sec. 11.** RCW 85.24.080 and 1998 c 121 s 11 are each amended to  
16 read as follows:

17 The members of the board may receive as compensation up to  
18 ((~~seventy~~)) ninety dollars for attendance at official meetings of the  
19 district and for each day or major part thereof for all necessary  
20 services actually performed in connection with their duties as  
21 commissioners: PROVIDED, That such compensation shall not exceed  
22 ((~~six~~)) eight thousand ((~~seven~~)) six hundred ((~~twenty~~)) forty dollars  
23 in one calendar year: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the board may fix a  
24 different salary for the secretary thereof in lieu of the per diem.  
25 Each commissioner is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable expenses  
26 actually incurred in connection with such business, including  
27 subsistence and lodging, while away from the commissioner's place of  
28 residence, and mileage for use of a privately owned vehicle in  
29 accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW. The salary and expenses shall be  
30 paid by the treasurer of the fund, upon orders made by the board. Each  
31 member of the board must before being paid for expenses, take vouchers  
32 therefore from the person or persons to whom the particular amount was  
33 paid, and must also make affidavit that the amounts were necessarily  
34 incurred and expended in the performance of his or her duties.

35 Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her  
36 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
37 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the

1 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
2 must be filed any time after the commissioner's election and prior to  
3 the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
4 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

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12 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
13 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
14 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
15 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

16 **Sec. 12.** RCW 86.09.283 and 1998 c 121 s 13 are each amended to  
17 read as follows:

18 The board of directors may each receive up to (~~seventy~~) ninety  
19 dollars for attendance at official meetings of the board and for each  
20 day or major part thereof for all necessary services actually performed  
21 in connection with their duties as director. The board shall fix the  
22 compensation to be paid to the directors, secretary, and all other  
23 agents and employees of the district. Compensation for the directors  
24 shall not exceed (~~six~~) eight thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred  
25 (~~twenty~~) forty dollars in one calendar year. A director is entitled  
26 to reimbursement for reasonable expenses actually incurred in  
27 connection with such business, including subsistence and lodging, while  
28 away from the director's place of residence, and mileage for use of a  
29 privately owned vehicle in accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW.

30 Any director may waive all or any portion of his or her  
31 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
32 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
33 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
34 must be filed any time after the director's election and prior to the  
35 date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
36 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

1       The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
2 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
3 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
4 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
5 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
6 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
7 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
8 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
9 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
10 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
11 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

12       **Sec. 13.** RCW 87.03.460 and 1998 c 121 s 14 are each amended to  
13 read as follows:

14       In addition to their reasonable expenses in accordance with chapter  
15 42.24 RCW, the directors shall each receive an amount for attending  
16 meetings and while performing other services for the district. The  
17 amount shall be fixed by resolution and entered in the minutes of the  
18 proceedings of the board. It shall not exceed (~~seventy~~) ninety  
19 dollars for each day or portion thereof spent by a director for such  
20 attendance or performance. The total amount of such additional  
21 compensation received by a director may not exceed (~~six~~) eight  
22 thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred (~~twenty~~) forty dollars in a calendar  
23 year. The board shall fix the compensation of the secretary and all  
24 other employees.

25       Any director may waive all or any portion of his or her  
26 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
27 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
28 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
29 must be filed any time after the director's election and prior to the  
30 date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
31 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

32       The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
33 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
34 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
35 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
36 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
37 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,

1 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
2 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
3 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
4 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
5 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

6 **Sec. 14.** RCW 36.57A.050 and 1998 c 121 s 15 are each amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 Within sixty days of the establishment of the boundaries of the  
9 public transportation benefit area the members of the county  
10 legislative authority and the elected representative of each city  
11 within the area shall provide for the selection of the governing body  
12 of such area, the public transportation benefit area authority, which  
13 shall consist of elected officials selected by and serving at the  
14 pleasure of the governing bodies of component cities within the area  
15 and the county legislative authority of each county within the area.  
16 If at the time a public transportation benefit area authority assumes  
17 the public transportation functions previously provided under the  
18 Interlocal Cooperation Act (chapter 39.34 RCW) there are citizen  
19 positions on the governing board of the transit system, those positions  
20 may be retained as positions on the governing board of the public  
21 transportation benefit area authority.

22 Within such sixty-day period, any city may by resolution of its  
23 legislative body withdraw from participation in the public  
24 transportation benefit area. The county legislative authority and each  
25 city remaining in the public transportation benefit area may disapprove  
26 and prevent the establishment of any governing body of a public  
27 transportation benefit area if the composition thereof does not meet  
28 its approval.

29 In no case shall the governing body of a single county public  
30 transportation benefit area be greater than nine members and in the  
31 case of a multicounty area, fifteen members. Those cities within the  
32 transportation benefit area and excluded from direct membership on the  
33 authority are hereby authorized to designate a member of the authority  
34 who shall be entitled to represent the interests of such city which is  
35 excluded from direct membership on the authority. The legislative body  
36 of such city shall notify the authority as to the determination of its  
37 authorized representative on the authority.



1 Each member of the authority is eligible to be reimbursed for  
2 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 and to  
3 receive compensation, as set by the authority, in an amount not to  
4 exceed forty-four dollars for each day during which the member attends  
5 official meetings of the authority or performs prescribed duties  
6 approved by the chairman of the authority. Except that the authority  
7 may, by resolution, increase the payment of per diem compensation to  
8 each member from forty-four dollars up to (~~seventy~~) ninety dollars  
9 per day or portion of a day for attendance at board meetings and for  
10 performance of other services on behalf of the authority. In no event  
11 may a member be compensated in any year for more than seventy-five  
12 days, except the chairman who may be paid compensation for not more  
13 than one hundred days: PROVIDED, That compensation shall not be paid  
14 to an elected official or employee of federal, state, or local  
15 government who is receiving regular full-time compensation from such  
16 government for attending meetings and performing prescribed duties of  
17 the authority.

18 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
19 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
20 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
21 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
22 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
23 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
24 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
25 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
26 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
27 reviser for publication in the Washington State Register at least one  
28 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

29 **Sec. 15.** RCW 85.38.075 and 1998 c 121 s 12 are each amended to  
30 read as follows:

31 The members of the governing body may each receive up to  
32 (~~seventy~~) ninety dollars for attendance at official meetings of the  
33 governing body and for each day or major part thereof for all necessary  
34 services actually performed in connection with their duties as a  
35 member. The governing body shall fix the compensation to be paid to  
36 the members, secretary, and all other agents and employees of the  
37 district. Compensation for the members shall not exceed (~~six~~) eight

1 thousand (~~seven~~) six hundred (~~twenty~~) forty dollars in one calendar  
2 year. A member is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable expenses  
3 actually incurred in connection with such business, including  
4 subsistence and lodging, while away from the member's place of  
5 residence, and mileage for use of a privately owned vehicle in  
6 accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW.

7 Any member may waive all or any portion of his or her compensation  
8 payable under this section as to any month or months during his or her  
9 term of office, by a written waiver filed with the secretary as  
10 provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective, must be filed  
11 any time after the member's election and prior to the date on which the  
12 compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver shall specify the  
13 month or period of months for which it is made.

14 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted  
15 for inflation by the office of financial management every ten years,  
16 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index  
17 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any  
18 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for  
19 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items,  
20 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States  
21 department of labor. The office of financial management must calculate  
22 the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code  
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24 month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect.

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