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CERTIFICATE

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By House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Simpson, Hinkle, Armstrong and Linville)

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AN ACT Relating to special purpose district commissioner per diem compensation; and amending RCW 35.61.150, 52.14.010, 53.12.260, 54.12.080, 57.12.010, 68.52.220, 70.44.050, 85.05.410, 85.06.380, 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 RCW 35.61.050(2) shall perform their duties and may provide, by 9 10 resolution passed by the commissioners, for the payment of compensation to each of its commissioners at a rate of up to ((seventy)) ninety 11 12 dollars for each day or portion of a day ((devoted to the business)) spent in actual attendance at official meetings or in performance of 13 other official services or duties on behalf of the district. However, 14 15 the compensation for each commissioner must not exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six hundred ((twenty)) forty dollars per year. 16

Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her compensation payable under this section as to any month or months during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the 1 clerk of the board. The waiver, to be effective, must be filed any 2 time after the commissioner's election and prior to the date on which 3 the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver shall specify the 4 month or period of months for which it is made.

The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted 5 for inflation by the office of financial management every five 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. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 12 13 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas 14 exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 15 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 16 17 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 18 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar 19 threshold is to take effect. 20

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

28 **Sec. 2.** RCW 52.14.010 and 1998 c 121 s 2 are each amended to read 29 as follows:

The affairs of the district shall be managed by a board of fire commissioners composed of three registered voters residing in the district except as provided in RCW 52.14.015 and 52.14.020. Each member shall each receive ((seventy)) <u>ninety</u> dollars per day or portion thereof, not to exceed ((six)) <u>eight</u> thousand ((seven)) <u>six</u> hundred ((twenty)) <u>forty</u> dollars per year, for <u>time spent in actual</u> attendance at <u>official meetings of the</u> board ((meetings and for)) <u>or in</u> 1 performance of other services ((in)) or duties on behalf of the 2 district.

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

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 secretary 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 The board shall fix the compensation to be paid the secretary and 17 all other agents and employees of the district. The board may, by 18 resolution adopted by unanimous vote, authorize any of its members to 19 serve as volunteer firefighters without compensation. A commissioner 20 actually serving as a volunteer firefighter may enjoy the rights and 21 benefits of a volunteer firefighter.

The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted 22 for inflation by the office of financial management every five years, 23 24 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any 25 26 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, 27 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States 28 department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 29 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 30 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas 31 exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 32 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 33 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 34 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 35 36 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect. 37

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

8 Sec. 3. RCW 53.12.260 and 1998 c 121 s 3 are each amended to read 9 as follows:

(1) Each commissioner of a port district shall receive ((seventy)) 10 11 <u>ninety</u> dollars per day or portion thereof spent (a) in actual 12 attendance at official meetings of the port district commission, or (b) in performance of other official services ((in)) or duties on behalf of 13 the district. The total per diem compensation of a port commissioner 14 shall not exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six hundred 15 16 ((twenty)) forty dollars in a year, or ((eight)) ten thousand ((four)) 17 eight hundred dollars in any year for a port district with gross operating income of twenty-five million or more in the preceding 18 19 calendar year.

20 (2) Port commissioners shall receive additional compensation as 21 follows: (a) Each commissioner of a port district with gross operating revenues of twenty-five million dollars or more in the preceding 22 23 calendar year shall receive a salary of five hundred dollars per month; 24 and (b) each commissioner of a port district with gross operating 25 revenues of from one million dollars to less than twenty-five million 26 dollars in the preceding calendar year shall receive a salary of two 27 hundred dollars per month.

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

30 (4) For any commissioner who has not elected to become a member of 31 public employees retirement system before May 1, 1975, the compensation provided pursuant to this section shall not be considered salary for 32 33 purposes of the provisions of any retirement system created pursuant to the general laws of this state nor shall attendance at such meetings or 34 other service on behalf of the district constitute service as defined 35 36 in RCW 41.40.010(9): PROVIDED, That in the case of a port district when commissioners are receiving compensation and contributing to the 37

public employees retirement system, these benefits shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 53.12.260 and 53.12.265.

4 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted for inflation by the office of financial management every five years, 5 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index 6 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any 7 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 8 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, 9 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States 10 department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 11 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 12 13 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 14 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 15 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 16 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 17 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar 18 threshold is to take effect. 19

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

27 **Sec. 4.** RCW 54.12.080 and 1998 c 121 s 4 are each amended to read 28 as follows:

29 (1) Commissioners of public utility districts are eligible to 30 receive salaries as follows:

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

(b) Each public utility district commissioner of a district 1 2 operating utility properties shall receive a salary of seven hundred dollars per month during a calendar year if the district received total 3 gross revenue of from two million dollars to fifteen million dollars 4 5 during the fiscal year ending June 30th before the calendar year. However, the board of commissioners of such a public utility district 6 7 may pass a resolution increasing the rate of salary up to nine hundred 8 dollars per month.

9 (c) Commissioners of other districts shall serve without salary. 10 However, the board of commissioners of such a public utility district 11 may pass a resolution providing for salaries not exceeding four hundred 12 dollars per month for each commissioner.

13 (2) In addition to salary, all districts may provide by resolution 14 for the payment of per diem compensation to each commissioner at a rate not exceeding ((seventy)) ninety dollars for each day or ((major part 15 16 thereof devoted to the business of the district, and days upon which he 17 or she attends)) portion thereof spent in actual attendance at official meetings of the district commission or in performance of other official 18 services or duties on behalf of the district, to include meetings of 19 the commission of his or her district or meetings attended by one or 20 21 more commissioners of two or more districts called to consider business 22 common to them, but such compensation paid during any one year to a commissioner shall not exceed ((nine thousand eight)) twelve thousand 23 24 six hundred dollars. Per diem compensation shall not be paid for services of a ministerial or professional nature. 25

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

33 (4) Each district commissioner shall be reimbursed for reasonable 34 expenses actually incurred in connection with such business and 35 meetings, including his or her subsistence and lodging and travel while 36 away from his or her place of residence.

37 (5) Any district providing group insurance for its employees,

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covering them, their immediate family, and dependents, may provide
insurance for its commissioner with the same coverage.

The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted 3 for inflation by the office of financial management every five years, 4 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index 5 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any 6 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 7 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, 8 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States 9 department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 10 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 11 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas 12 13 exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 14 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 15 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 16 17 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect. 18

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

26 **Sec. 5.** RCW 57.12.010 and 2001 c 63 s 1 are each amended to read 27 as follows:

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

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

A district shall provide by resolution for the payment of compensation to each of its commissioners at a rate of ((seventy)) <u>ninety</u> dollars for each day or portion thereof ((devoted to the <u>business</u>)) <u>spent in actual attendance at official meetings of the</u> <u>district commission, or in performance of other official services or</u> <u>duties on behalf</u> of the district. However the compensation for each commissioner shall not exceed ((six)) <u>eight</u> thousand ((seven)) <u>six</u> hundred ((twenty)) <u>forty</u> dollars per year. In addition, the secretary may be paid a reasonable sum for clerical services.

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

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

21 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted 22 for inflation by the office of financial management every five years, beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index 23 24 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 25 26 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, 27 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 28 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 29 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas 30 exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 31 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 32 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 33 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 34 35 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect. 36

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1 <u>authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation</u> 2 <u>for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or</u> 3 <u>duties while representing more than one of his or her districts.</u> 4 <u>However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation</u> 5 <u>if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.</u>

6 Sec. 6. RCW 68.52.220 and 1998 c 121 s 6 are each amended to read 7 as follows:

The affairs of the district shall be managed by a board of cemetery 8 9 district commissioners composed of three members. ((Members of the board shall receive expenses necessarily incurred in attending meetings 10 11 of the board or when otherwise engaged in district business.)) The 12 board may provide, by resolution passed by the commissioners, for the payment of compensation to each of its commissioners at a rate of up to 13 ((seventy)) ninety dollars for each day or portion of a day ((devoted 14 to the business)) spent in actual attendance at official meetings of 15 the district commission, or in performance of other official services 16 or duties on behalf of the district. However, the compensation for 17 each commissioner must not exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six 18 hundred ((twenty)) forty dollars per year. 19

20 Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or her 21 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the 22 23 clerk of the board. The waiver, to be effective, must be filed any 24 time after the commissioner's election and prior to the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver shall specify the 25 26 month or period of months for which it is made. The board shall fix 27 the compensation to be paid the secretary and other employees of the district. Cemetery district commissioners and candidates for cemetery 28 district commissioner are exempt from the requirements of chapter 42.17 29 30 RCW.

31 The initial cemetery district commissioners shall assume office 32 immediately upon their election and qualification. Staggering of terms 33 of office shall be accomplished as follows: (1) The person elected 34 receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected to a six-year 35 term of office if the election is held in an odd-numbered year or a 36 five-year term of office if the election is held in an even-numbered 37 year; (2) the person who is elected receiving the next greatest number

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

10 Thereafter, commissioners shall be elected to six-year terms of 11 office. Commissioners shall serve until their successors are elected 12 and qualified and assume office as provided in RCW ((29.04.170)) 13 <u>29A.20.040</u>.

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

The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted 18 for inflation by the office of financial management every five years, 19 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index 20 21 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 22 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, 23 24 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 25 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 26 27 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 28 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 29 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 30 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 31 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar 32 threshold is to take effect. 33

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2 However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation

3 if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

4 Sec. 7. RCW 70.44.050 and 1998 c 121 s 7 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 A district shall provide by resolution for the payment of 7 compensation to each of its commissioners at a rate of ((seventy)) <u>ninety</u> dollars for each day or portion thereof ((devoted to the 8 9 business of the district, and days upon which he or she attends)) spent in actual attendance at official meetings of the district commission, 10 11 or in performance of other official services or duties on behalf of the 12 district, to include meetings of the commission of his or her own district, or meetings attended by one or more commissioners of two or 13 more districts called to consider business common to them, except that 14 the total compensation paid to such commissioner during any one year 15 16 shall not exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six hundred 17 ((twenty)) forty dollars. The commissioners may not be compensated for services performed of a ministerial or professional nature. 18

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

26 Any district providing group insurance for its employees, covering 27 them, their immediate family, and dependents, may provide insurance for its commissioners with the same coverage. Each commissioner shall be 28 reimbursed for reasonable expenses actually incurred in connection with 29 30 such business and meetings, including his or her subsistence and 31 lodging and travel while away from his or her place of residence. No resolution shall be adopted without a majority vote of the whole 32 commission. The commission shall organize by election of its own 33 34 members of a president and secretary, shall by resolution adopt rules 35 governing the transaction of its business and shall adopt an official 36 seal. All proceedings of the commission shall be by motion or

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1 resolution recorded in a book or books kept for such purpose, which 2 shall be public records.

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26 **Sec. 8.** RCW 85.05.410 and 1998 c 121 s 8 are each amended to read 27 as follows:

Members of the board of diking commissioners of any diking district 28 in this state may receive as compensation the sum of up to ((seventy)) 29 ninety dollars for actual attendance at official meetings of the 30 31 district and for each day or ((major)) part thereof ((for all necessary services actually performed in connection with their duties as 32 commissioners)), or in performance of other official services or duties 33 34 on behalf of the district and shall receive the same compensation as 35 other labor of a like character for all other necessary work or 36 services performed in connection with their duties: PROVIDED, That 37 such compensation shall not exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six hundred ((twenty)) forty dollars in one calendar year, except when the commissioners declare an emergency. Allowance of such compensation shall be established and approved at regular meetings of the board, and when a copy of the extracts of minutes of the board meeting relative thereto showing such approval is certified by the secretary of such board and filed with the county auditor, the allowance made shall be paid as are other claims against the district.

8 Each commissioner is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable 9 expenses actually incurred in connection with such business, including 10 subsistence and lodging, while away from the commissioner's place of 11 residence, and mileage for use of a privately owned vehicle in 12 accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW.

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

The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted 20 21 for inflation by the office of financial management every five years, beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index 22 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any 23 24 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, 25 26 compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States 27 department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 28 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas 29 exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 30 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 31 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 32 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 33 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar 34 35 threshold is to take effect.

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5 Sec. 9. RCW 85.06.380 and 1998 c 121 s 9 are each amended to read 6 as follows:

7 In performing their duties under the provisions of this title the 8 board and members of the board of drainage commissioners may receive as 9 compensation up to ((seventy)) ninety dollars ((for)) per day or 10 portion thereof spent in actual attendance at official meetings of the district ((and for each day or major part thereof for all necessary 11 12 services actually performed in connection with their duties as commissioners)), or in performance of other official services or duties 13 on behalf of the district: PROVIDED, That such compensation shall not 14 exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six hundred ((twenty)) forty 15 16 dollars in one calendar year: PROVIDED FURTHER, That such services and 17 compensation are allowed and approved at a regular meeting of the board. Upon the submission of a copy, certified by the secretary, of 18 the extracts of the relevant minutes of the board showing such 19 20 approval, to the county auditor, the same shall be paid as other claims 21 against the district are paid. Each commissioner is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable expenses actually incurred in connection 22 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.

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

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19 **Sec. 10.** RCW 85.08.320 and 1998 c 121 s 10 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

21 The compensation of the superintendent of construction, the board of appraisers hereinafter provided for, and any special engineer, 22 23 attorney or agent employed by the district in connection with the improvement, the maximum wages to be paid, and the maximum price of 24 25 materials to be used, shall be fixed by the district board of 26 supervisors. Members of the board of supervisors may receive compensation up to ((seventy)) ninety dollars ((for attending each 27 official meeting of the district and for each day or major part thereof 28 29 for all necessary services actually performed in connection with their duties as supervisors)) per day or portion thereof spent in actual 30 attendance at official meetings of the district, or in performance of 31 other official services or duties on behalf of the district: PROVIDED, 32 That such compensation shall not exceed ((six)) eight thousand 33 ((seven)) six hundred ((twenty)) forty dollars in one calendar year. 34 35 Each supervisor shall be entitled to reimbursement for reasonable 36 expenses actually incurred in connection with business, including 37 subsistence and lodging while away from the supervisor's place of

residence and mileage for use of a privately owned vehicle in 1 2 accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW. All costs of construction or maintenance done under the direction of the board of supervisors shall 3 be paid upon vouchers or payrolls verified by two of the said 4 supervisors. All costs of construction and all other expenses, fees 5 and charges on account of such improvement shall be paid by warrants 6 7 drawn by the county auditor upon the county treasurer upon the proper 8 fund, and shall draw interest at a rate determined by the county legislative authority until paid or called by the county treasurer as 9 warrants of the county are called. 10

11 Any supervisor may waive all or any portion of his or her 12 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months 13 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the 14 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective, 15 must be filed any time after the supervisor's election and prior to the 16 date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver 17 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

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2 However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation

3 if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

4 Sec. 11. RCW 85.24.080 and 1998 c 121 s 11 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 The members of the board may receive as compensation up to 7 ((seventy)) ninety dollars ((for attendance at official meetings of the district and for each day or major part thereof for all necessary 8 9 services actually performed in connection with their duties as 10 commissioners)) per day or portion thereof spent in actual attendance at official meetings of the district, or in performance of other 11 12 official services or duties on behalf of the district: PROVIDED, That such compensation shall not exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six 13 hundred ((twenty)) forty dollars in one calendar year: 14 PROVIDED FURTHER, That the board may fix a different salary for the secretary 15 16 thereof in lieu of the per diem. Each commissioner is entitled to 17 reimbursement for reasonable expenses actually incurred in connection with such business, including subsistence and lodging, while away from 18 the commissioner's place of residence, and mileage for use of a 19 20 privately owned vehicle in accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW. The 21 salary and expenses shall be paid by the treasurer of the fund, upon orders made by the board. Each member of the board must before being 22 23 paid for expenses, take vouchers therefore from the person or persons 24 to whom the particular amount was paid, and must also make affidavit that the amounts were necessarily incurred and expended in the 25 26 performance of his or her duties.

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

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

calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 1 2 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States 3 department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 4 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 5 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas б exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 7 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 8 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 9 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 10 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar 11 12 threshold is to take effect.

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

20 **Sec. 12.** RCW 86.09.283 and 1998 c 121 s 13 are each amended to 21 read as follows:

The board of directors may each receive up to ((seventy)) ninety 22 23 dollars ((for attendance at official meetings of the board and for each 24 day or major part thereof for all necessary services actually performed 25 in connection with their duties as director)) per day or portion 26 thereof spent in actual attendance at official meetings of the board, or in performance of other official services or duties on behalf of the 27 The board shall fix the compensation to be paid to the 28 board. 29 directors, secretary, and all other agents and employees of the Compensation for the directors shall not exceed ((six)) 30 district. 31 eight thousand ((seven)) six hundred ((twenty)) forty dollars in one calendar year. A director is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable 32 expenses actually incurred in connection with such business, including 33 subsistence and lodging, while away from the director's place of 34 35 residence, and mileage for use of a privately owned vehicle in 36 accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW.

1 Any director may waive all or any portion of his or her 2 compensation payable under this section as to any month or months 3 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the 4 secretary as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective, 5 must be filed any time after the director's election and prior to the 6 date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver 7 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

8 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted for inflation by the office of financial management every five 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 12 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 13 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States 14 department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 15 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 16 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas 17 exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 18 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 19 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 20 21 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 22 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar threshold is to take effect. 23

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

31 **Sec. 13.** RCW 87.03.460 and 1998 c 121 s 14 are each amended to 32 read as follows:

In addition to their reasonable expenses in accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW, the directors shall each receive an amount for attending meetings and while performing other services for the district. The amount shall be fixed by resolution and entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the board. It shall not exceed ((seventy)) <u>ninety</u> dollars for each day or portion thereof spent by a director for such actual attendance at official meetings of the district, or in performance of other official services or duties on behalf of the district. The total amount of such additional compensation received by a director may not exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six hundred ((twenty)) forty dollars in a calendar year. The board shall fix the compensation of the secretary and all other employees.

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

15 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted for inflation by the office of financial management every five 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 19 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 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. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 22 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 23 24 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 25 26 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 27 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 28 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar 29 30 threshold is to take effect.

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions. 1 Sec. 14. RCW 36.57A.050 and 1998 c 121 s 15 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

Within sixty days of the establishment of the boundaries of the 3 transportation benefit area the members of the county 4 public legislative authority and the elected representative of each city 5 within the area shall provide for the selection of the governing body 6 7 of such area, the public transportation benefit area authority, which shall consist of elected officials selected by and serving at the 8 pleasure of the governing bodies of component cities within the area 9 and the county legislative authority of each county within the area. 10 If at the time a public transportation benefit area authority assumes 11 12 the public transportation functions previously provided under the 13 Interlocal Cooperation Act (chapter 39.34 RCW) there are citizen positions on the governing board of the transit system, those positions 14 may be retained as positions on the governing board of the public 15 transportation benefit area authority. 16

17 Within such sixty-day period, any city may by resolution of its withdraw from participation 18 legislative body in the public transportation benefit area. The county legislative authority and each 19 city remaining in the public transportation benefit area may disapprove 20 21 and prevent the establishment of any governing body of a public 22 transportation benefit area if the composition thereof does not meet 23 its approval.

24 In no case shall the governing body of a single county public 25 transportation benefit area be greater than nine members and in the case of a multicounty area, fifteen members. Those cities within the 26 27 transportation benefit area and excluded from direct membership on the authority are hereby authorized to designate a member of the authority 28 who shall be entitled to represent the interests of such city which is 29 excluded from direct membership on the authority. The legislative body 30 31 of such city shall notify the authority as to the determination of its 32 authorized representative on the authority.

Each member of the authority is eligible to be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 and to receive compensation, as set by the authority, in an amount not to exceed forty-four dollars for each day during which the member attends official meetings of the authority or performs prescribed duties approved by the chairman of the authority. Except that the authority

may, by resolution, increase the payment of per diem compensation to 1 2 each member from forty-four dollars up to ((seventy)) <u>ninety</u> dollars per day or portion of a day for actual attendance at board meetings 3 ((and)) or for performance of other official services or duties on 4 5 behalf of the authority. In no event may a member be compensated in any year for more than seventy-five days, except the chairman who may б 7 be paid compensation for not more than one hundred days: PROVIDED, That compensation shall not be paid to an elected official or employee 8 9 of federal, state, or local government who is receiving regular full-10 time compensation from such government for attending meetings and performing prescribed duties of the authority. 11

12 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted 13 for inflation by the office of financial management every five years, beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index 14 during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any 15 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 16 17 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States 18 department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 19 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 20 21 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 22 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 23 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 24 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 25 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar 26 27 threshold is to take effect.

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions.

35 Sec. 15. RCW 85.38.075 and 1998 c 121 s 12 are each amended to 36 read as follows: 37 The members of the governing body may each receive up to

((seventy)) ninety dollars ((for)) per day or portion thereof spent in 1 2 actual attendance at official meetings of the governing body ((and for 3 each day or major part thereof for all necessary services actually performed in connection with their duties as a member)) or in 4 performance of other official services or duties on behalf of the 5 district. The governing body shall fix the compensation to be paid to 6 7 the members, secretary, and all other agents and employees of the 8 district. Compensation for the members shall not exceed ((six)) eight thousand ((seven)) six hundred ((twenty)) forty dollars in one calendar 9 year. A member is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable expenses 10 actually incurred in connection with such business, 11 including 12 subsistence and lodging, while away from the member's place of 13 residence, and mileage for use of a privately owned vehicle in 14 accordance with chapter 42.24 RCW.

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

22 The dollar thresholds established in this section must be adjusted for inflation by the office of financial management every five years, 23 24 beginning July 1, 2008, based upon changes in the consumer price index during that time period. "Consumer price index" means, for any 25 26 calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, for 27 Washington state, for wage earners and clerical workers, all items, compiled by the bureau of labor and statistics, United States 28 department of labor. If the bureau of labor and statistics develops 29 more than one consumer price index for areas within the state, the 30 index covering the greatest number of people, covering areas 31 exclusively within the boundaries of the state, and including all items 32 shall be used for the adjustments for inflation in this section. The 33 office of financial management must calculate the new dollar threshold 34 and transmit it to the office of the code reviser for publication in 35 36 the Washington State Register at least one month before the new dollar 37 threshold is to take effect.

A person holding office as commissioner for two or more special 1 purpose districts shall receive only that per diem compensation 2 authorized for one of his or her commissioner positions as compensation 3 for attending an official meeting or conducting official services or 4 duties while representing more than one of his or her districts. 5 6 However, such commissioner may receive additional per diem compensation 7 if approved by resolution of all boards of the affected commissions. Passed by the House April 17, 2007. Passed by the Senate April 12, 2007. Approved by the Governor May 14, 2007.

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