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By House Environment (originally sponsored by Representatives Fitzgibbon, Dunshee, Farrell, S. Hunt, Peterson, Fey, and Tarleton)

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1 AN ACT Relating to building energy use disclosure requirements;
2 amending RCW 19.27A.140, 19.27A.170, 43.21B.110, and 43.21B.110;
3 adding new sections to chapter 19.27A RCW; creating a new section;
4 prescribing penalties; providing an effective date; and providing an
5 expiration date.

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

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that reducing
8 the energy use of buildings is an important component of the state's
9 effort to meet its greenhouse gas emissions reduction obligations
10 required by state law. Recent analysis considered by the 2014 climate
11 change task force established by executive order indicates that more
12 than one-third of the state's greenhouse gas emissions are
13 attributable to sources that are associated with building energy use:
14 Electricity generation and residential, commercial, and industrial
15 uses of oil, coal, and natural gas.

16 (2) The establishment of meaningful, enforceable requirements for
17 buildings to disclose their energy use data creates an important
18 signal to building owners, prospective building owners, tenants, and
19 others in real estate markets about the true environmental and
20 financial costs associated with the use of that building. The
21 disclosure of this information allows real estate market participants

1 to make decisions that will save them money by lowering their utility
2 bills and can provide an important incentive for real estate market
3 participants to invest in emissions-reducing and energy-saving
4 upgrades. Real-world experience confirms that the addition of
5 building energy use information to real estate markets provides
6 incentive for buildings to lower their energy use and associated
7 greenhouse gas emissions: Analysis by the United States environmental
8 protection agency has shown that commercial buildings that
9 participate in a benchmarking program achieve a seven percent
10 reduction in energy use over their first three years in the program.
11 By simply providing information to real estate markets through
12 required disclosure, the state will achieve substantial greenhouse
13 gas emission reductions by reducing the energy use of buildings.

14 (3) In 2009, the legislature established requirements that
15 certain nonresidential building owners maintain information about
16 their building energy use at the time of sale. In the years following
17 the 2009 legislature's enactment of the current building energy use
18 disclosure requirements, local governments in Washington and
19 elsewhere have built upon the lessons learned from the state's
20 implementation of its groundbreaking benchmarking efforts. These
21 jurisdictions have been able to introduce more complete benchmarking
22 information across their real estate markets by requiring procedures
23 to support the consistent submission of building energy use
24 information, including the establishment of penalties for violations
25 of energy use disclosure requirements.

26 (4) In recognition of the benefits of establishing compliance
27 mechanisms to accompany benchmarking requirements, the state energy
28 strategy recommends improvements to the state's benchmarking law.
29 This strategic energy report includes a recommendation that the state
30 receive energy benchmarking data to assess the impact of the program
31 and to better ensure statewide compliance with building energy
32 benchmarking requirements. This act moves the state towards meeting
33 the goals laid out in the state energy strategy by encouraging
34 market-wide participation in the energy benchmarking program and by
35 encouraging the consideration of building energy use information
36 during market transactions.

37 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 19.27A
38 RCW to read as follows:

1 (1)(a) The proprietor of each reporting building shall establish
2 a United States environmental protection agency portfolio manager
3 account and shall request that a qualifying utility servicing the
4 reporting building provide the proprietor with energy consumption and
5 energy cost data for all accounts associated with the reporting
6 building. The proprietor shall identify to the qualifying utility the
7 accounts associated with each reporting building.

8 (b) A proprietor of a reporting building shall disclose the
9 United States environmental protection agency's energy star statement
10 of energy performance produced using a portfolio manager account to a
11 prospective buyer, lessee, or lender for the preceding calendar year.
12 A proprietor who delivers the United States environmental protection
13 agency's energy star statement of energy performance to a prospective
14 buyer, lessee, or lender is not required to provide additional
15 information regarding energy consumption and the information is
16 deemed to be adequate to inform the prospective buyer, lessee, or
17 lender regarding the United States environmental protection agency's
18 energy star statement of energy performance for each month of the
19 preceding calendar year for the building that is being sold, leased,
20 financed, or refinanced.

21 (2) By April 1, 2017, and April 1st of each year thereafter, the
22 proprietor of a reporting building must transfer the United States
23 environmental protection agency's energy star portfolio manager
24 building characteristics, energy consumption, and energy cost data
25 for each month of the preceding calendar year to the commerce
26 portfolio manager account using the portfolio manager sharing
27 feature.

28 (3) If any proprietor of a reporting building discloses
29 information in good faith concerning a building's energy consumption,
30 energy cost, or other benchmarking data in accordance with this
31 chapter, no cause of action shall arise from the disclosure and the
32 proprietor is not liable to others for the disclosure or its
33 consequences.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 19.27A
35 RCW to read as follows:

36 (1) The department shall establish a United States environmental
37 protection agency energy star portfolio manager account to support
38 data sharing transfers from proprietors.

1 (2)(a) The department shall make publicly available the building
2 characteristics, annual energy consumption, energy cost, ratings, and
3 other energy use data of reporting buildings.

4 (b) For each reporting building, the department shall identify
5 the city, county, and qualifying utility that provides service to the
6 reporting building. The department must periodically update the
7 building characteristics, energy consumption, and energy cost data
8 and ratings that it makes available under this subsection.

9 (3) Beginning June 1, 2017, and by June 1st of each subsequent
10 year, the department shall analyze the data sharing transfers from
11 proprietors and other supporting information to determine:

12 (a) Which reporting buildings in Washington have disclosed and
13 transferred the information required by section 2 of this act during
14 the preceding calendar year; and

15 (b) Which reporting buildings in Washington have failed to
16 disclose and transfer the information required by section 2 of this
17 act.

18 (4) If the department makes publicly available reporting building
19 energy consumption, energy cost data, or other benchmarking data or
20 information in good faith in accordance with this chapter, no cause
21 of action shall arise from the disclosure and the department is not
22 liable to others for the disclosure or its consequences.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 19.27A
24 RCW to read as follows:

25 The department is authorized to enforce the disclosure
26 requirements of RCW 19.27A.170 and section 2 of this act. The
27 department is authorized to investigate and determine if a qualifying
28 utility or proprietor has not complied with the requirements of RCW
29 19.27A.170 or section 2 of this act. The department shall work with
30 qualifying utilities and proprietors to come into compliance with the
31 energy benchmarking requirements of this chapter.

32 **Sec. 5.** RCW 19.27A.140 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 43 s 245 are each
33 amended to read as follows:

34 The definitions in this section apply to RCW 19.27A.130 through
35 19.27A.190 ~~((and))~~, 19.27A.020, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of this act
36 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

1 (1) "Benchmark" means the energy used by a facility as recorded
2 monthly for at least one year and the facility characteristics
3 information inputs required for a portfolio manager account.

4 (2) "Conditioned space" means conditioned space, as defined in
5 the Washington state energy code.

6 (3) "Consumer-owned utility" includes a municipal electric
7 utility formed under Title 35 RCW, a public utility district formed
8 under Title 54 RCW, an irrigation district formed under chapter 87.03
9 RCW, a cooperative formed under chapter 23.86 RCW, a mutual
10 corporation or association formed under chapter 24.06 RCW, a port
11 district formed under Title 53 RCW, or a water-sewer district formed
12 under Title 57 RCW, that is engaged in the business of distributing
13 electricity to one or more retail electric customers in the state.

14 (4) "Cost-effectiveness" means that a project or resource is
15 forecast:

16 (a) To be reliable and available within the time it is needed;
17 and

18 (b) To meet or reduce the power demand of the intended consumers
19 at an estimated incremental system cost no greater than that of the
20 least-cost similarly reliable and available alternative project or
21 resource, or any combination thereof.

22 (5) "Council" means the state building code council.

23 (6) "Embodied energy" means the total amount of fossil fuel
24 energy consumed to extract raw materials and to manufacture,
25 assemble, transport, and install the materials in a building and the
26 life-cycle cost benefits including the recyclability and energy
27 efficiencies with respect to building materials, taking into account
28 the total sum of current values for the costs of investment, capital,
29 installation, operating, maintenance, and replacement as estimated
30 for the lifetime of the product or project.

31 (7) "Energy consumption data" means the monthly amount of energy
32 consumed by a customer as recorded by the applicable energy meter for
33 the most recent twelve-month period.

34 (8) "Energy service company" has the same meaning as in RCW
35 43.19.670.

36 (9) "Enterprise services" means the department of enterprise
37 services.

38 (10) "Greenhouse gas" and "greenhouse gases" includes carbon
39 dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons,
40 perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride.

1 (11) "Investment grade energy audit" means an intensive
2 engineering analysis of energy efficiency and management measures for
3 the facility, net energy savings, and a cost-effectiveness
4 determination.

5 (12) "Investor-owned utility" means a corporation owned by
6 investors that meets the definition of "corporation" as defined in
7 RCW 80.04.010 and is engaged in distributing either electricity or
8 natural gas, or both, to more than one retail electric customer in
9 the state.

10 (13) "Major facility" means any publicly owned or leased
11 building, or a group of such buildings at a single site, having ten
12 thousand square feet or more of conditioned floor space.

13 (14) "National energy performance rating" means the score
14 provided by the energy star program, to indicate the energy
15 efficiency performance of the building compared to similar buildings
16 in that climate as defined in the United States environmental
17 protection agency "ENERGY STAR® Performance Ratings Technical
18 Methodology."

19 (15) "Net zero energy use" means a building with net energy
20 consumption of zero over a typical year.

21 (16) "Portfolio manager" means the United States environmental
22 protection agency's energy star portfolio manager (~~or an equivalent~~
23 ~~tool adopted by the department of enterprise services~~).

24 (17) "Preliminary energy audit" means a quick evaluation by an
25 energy service company of the energy savings potential of a building.

26 (18) "Qualifying public agency" includes all state agencies,
27 colleges, and universities.

28 (19) "Qualifying utility" means a consumer-owned or investor-
29 owned gas or electric utility that serves more than twenty-five
30 thousand customers in the state of Washington.

31 (20) "Reporting public facility" means any of the following:

32 (a) A building or structure, or a group of buildings or
33 structures at a single site, owned by a qualifying public agency,
34 that exceed ten thousand square feet of conditioned space;

35 (b) Buildings, structures, or spaces leased by a qualifying
36 public agency that exceeds ten thousand square feet of conditioned
37 space, where the qualifying public agency purchases energy directly
38 from the investor-owned or consumer-owned utility;

39 (c) A wastewater treatment facility owned by a qualifying public
40 agency; or

1 (d) Other facilities selected by the qualifying public agency.

2 (21) "State portfolio manager master account" means a portfolio
3 manager account established to provide a single shared portfolio that
4 includes reports for all the reporting public facilities.

5 (22) "Building characteristics" means the building size, age,
6 primary function, address, and other information required to create a
7 statement of energy performance.

8 (23) "Commerce portfolio manager account" means the portfolio
9 manager master account created by the department pursuant to section
10 3 of this act.

11 (24) "Department" means the department of commerce.

12 (25) "Proprietor" means the owner or operator of a building or an
13 agent acting on behalf of the owner or operator of a building.

14 (26) "Reporting building" means:

15 (a) A building that exceeds twenty thousand square feet of
16 conditioned space except for a building that:

17 (i) Is a factory group F building, a residential group R building
18 other than a group R-2 building containing five or more dwelling
19 units, or a miscellaneous and utility group U building, as defined in
20 the 2012 Washington state building code; or

21 (ii) Does not receive gas or electric service from a utility that
22 is not a qualifying utility.

23 (b) A campus of buildings that are served by a shared energy
24 utility account and together exceed twenty thousand square feet of
25 conditioned space, except for a campus of buildings that:

26 (i) Are comprised exclusively of any combination of factory group
27 F buildings, residential group R buildings other than a group R-2
28 building containing five or more dwelling units, or miscellaneous and
29 utility group U buildings, as defined in the 2012 Washington state
30 building code; or

31 (ii) Do not receive gas or electric service from a utility that
32 is not a qualifying utility.

33 **Sec. 6.** RCW 19.27A.170 and 2009 c 423 s 6 are each amended to
34 read as follows:

35 (1) ~~((On and after January 1, 2010,))~~Qualifying utilities shall
36 maintain records of the energy consumption data of all
37 ~~((nonresidential and qualifying public agency buildings))~~customer
38 accounts to which they provide service. This data must be maintained
39 ~~((for at least the most recent twelve months))~~ in a format compatible

1 for uploading to the United States environmental protection agency's
2 energy star portfolio manager. In carrying out the requirements of
3 this section, qualifying utilities shall disclose and update energy
4 consumption and energy cost data each billing period. The data
5 disclosed and updated by qualifying utilities must be continuous and
6 date back to no later than January 1, 2016.

7 ~~(2) ((On and after January 1, 2010, upon the written~~
8 ~~authorization or secure electronic authorization of a nonresidential~~
9 ~~building owner or operator,))~~ A qualifying utility shall upload the
10 energy consumption and energy cost data for the accounts specified by
11 the ~~((owner or operator))~~ proprietor for a building to the United
12 States environmental protection agency's energy star portfolio
13 manager in a form that does not disclose personally identifying
14 information.

15 (3) Until January 1, 2017, in carrying out the requirements of
16 this section, a qualifying utility shall use any method for providing
17 the specified data in order to maximize efficiency and minimize
18 overall program cost. Qualifying utilities are encouraged to consult
19 with the United States environmental protection agency and their
20 customers in developing reasonable reporting options. After January
21 1, 2017, qualifying utilities shall upload the reporting building
22 energy consumption and energy cost data by using energy star
23 portfolio manager web services in order to automatically upload the
24 specified data to the United States environmental protection agency's
25 energy star portfolio manager.

26 (4) ~~((Disclosure of nonpublic nonresidential benchmarking data~~
27 ~~and ratings required under subsection (5) of this section will be~~
28 ~~phased in as follows:~~

29 ~~(a) By January 1, 2011, for buildings greater than fifty thousand~~
30 ~~square feet; and~~

31 ~~(b) By January 1, 2012, for buildings greater than ten thousand~~
32 ~~square feet.~~

33 ~~(5) Based on the size guidelines in subsection (4) of this~~
34 ~~section, a building owner or operator, or their agent, of a~~
35 ~~nonresidential building shall disclose the United States~~
36 ~~environmental protection agency's energy star portfolio manager~~
37 ~~benchmarking data and ratings to a prospective buyer, lessee, or~~
38 ~~lender for the most recent continuously occupied twelve-month period.~~
39 ~~A building owner or operator, or their agent, who delivers United~~
40 ~~States environmental protection agency's energy star portfolio~~

1 ~~manager benchmarking data and ratings to a prospective buyer, lessee,~~
2 ~~or lender is not required to provide additional information regarding~~
3 ~~energy consumption, and the information is deemed to be adequate to~~
4 ~~inform the prospective buyer, lessee, or lender regarding the United~~
5 ~~States environmental protection agency's energy star portfolio~~
6 ~~manager benchmarking data and ratings for the most recent twelve-~~
7 ~~month period for the building that is being sold, leased, financed,~~
8 ~~or refinanced.~~

9 ~~(6) Notwithstanding subsections (4) and (5) of this~~
10 ~~section,))~~ Nothing in this section (~~increases or decreases the~~
11 ~~duties, if any, of a building owner, operator, or their agent under~~
12 ~~this chapter))~~ or section 2 of this act alters the duty of a seller,
13 agent, or broker to disclose the existence of a material fact
14 affecting the real property.

15 (5) Nothing in this section or section 3 of this act changes or
16 limits the authority of a public entity to adopt building energy use
17 disclosure requirements that are in addition to the requirements
18 imposed by this section. The adoption of building energy use
19 disclosure requirements that are in addition to the requirements of
20 this chapter by a public entity does not affect the obligation of a
21 utility or proprietor to comply with the requirements of this
22 chapter.

23 (6) If any qualifying utility discloses information in good faith
24 concerning energy consumption, energy cost, or other benchmarking
25 data in accordance with this chapter, no cause of action shall arise
26 from the disclosure and the qualifying utility is not liable to its
27 customer or others for the disclosure or its consequences. A
28 qualifying utility is not required to obtain a customer's written or
29 electronic permission to disclose energy consumption, energy cost, or
30 other benchmarking data in accordance with this chapter.

31 NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 19.27A
32 RCW to read as follows:

33 (1)(a) If the department determines that a proprietor is not in
34 compliance with the disclosure requirements of RCW 19.27A.170 or
35 section 2 of this act, the department may issue a written notice of
36 violation to the proprietor. The notice must state the requirement
37 that was violated and any penalties imposed as a result of the
38 violation.

1 (b) The department may impose the following penalties on a
2 proprietor for the failure to disclose and transfer the building
3 energy use benchmarking data as required by section 2 of this act:

4 (i) If the proprietor is not in compliance with the disclosure
5 requirements of section 2 of this act within ninety days of receipt
6 of the notice of violation, the department may impose a penalty of up
7 to five hundred dollars;

8 (ii) If the proprietor is not in compliance with the disclosure
9 requirements of section 2 of this act within one hundred eighty days
10 of receipt of the notice of violation, the department may impose a
11 total cumulative penalty of up to one thousand dollars;

12 (iii) If the proprietor is not in compliance with the disclosure
13 requirements of section 2 of this act within two hundred seventy days
14 of receipt of the notice of violation, the department may impose a
15 total cumulative penalty of up to two thousand dollars; and

16 (iv) If the proprietor is not in compliance with the disclosure
17 requirements of section 2 of this act within three hundred sixty days
18 of receipt of the notice of violation, the department may impose a
19 total cumulative penalty of up to four thousand dollars.

20 (2) In addition to the penalties authorized in subsection (1) of
21 this section, the department may concurrently impose a separate and
22 additional fine of up to five hundred dollars if the proprietor has
23 previously been served with a notice of violation associated with the
24 building under this chapter.

25 (3) If the department determines that the proprietor has complied
26 with the disclosure requirements of section 2 of this act within
27 ninety days of receipt of the notice of violation and the proprietor
28 has not previously been served with a notice of violation by the
29 department, the department must waive the penalty for the violation.
30 The department may consider any technical difficulties experienced by
31 a proprietor with the portfolio manager system in determining whether
32 to assess or waive a penalty under this section.

33 (4) The authority of the department to issue penalties pursuant
34 to this section is phased in as follows:

35 (a) After October 1, 2017, for violations associated with
36 buildings greater than seventy-five thousand square feet that took
37 place in calendar year 2016 or later;

38 (b) After April 1, 2018, for violations associated with buildings
39 greater than fifty thousand square feet that took place in calendar
40 year 2017 or later; and

1 (c) After April 1, 2019, for violations associated with buildings
2 greater than twenty thousand square feet that took place in calendar
3 year 2018 or later.

4 (5) A proprietor may appeal any penalties imposed pursuant to
5 this section to the pollution control hearings board pursuant to the
6 procedures established by RCW 43.21B.300.

7 (6) All penalties recovered under this section shall be paid into
8 the state treasury and credited to the general fund.

9 **Sec. 8.** RCW 43.21B.110 and 2013 c 291 s 33 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 (1) The hearings board shall only have jurisdiction to hear and
12 decide appeals from the following decisions of the department, the
13 director, local conservation districts, the air pollution control
14 boards or authorities as established pursuant to chapter 70.94 RCW,
15 local health departments, the department of natural resources, the
16 department of fish and wildlife, the parks and recreation commission,
17 and authorized public entities described in chapter 79.100 RCW:

18 (a) Civil penalties imposed pursuant to RCW 18.104.155,
19 70.94.431, section 7 of this act, 70.105.080, 70.107.050, 76.09.170,
20 77.55.291, 78.44.250, 88.46.090, 90.03.600, 90.46.270, 90.48.144,
21 90.56.310, 90.56.330, and 90.64.102.

22 (b) Orders issued pursuant to RCW 18.104.043, 18.104.060,
23 43.27A.190, 70.94.211, 70.94.332, 70.105.095, 86.16.020, 88.46.070,
24 90.14.130, 90.46.250, 90.48.120, and 90.56.330.

25 (c) A final decision by the department or director made under
26 chapter 183, Laws of 2009.

27 (d) Except as provided in RCW 90.03.210(2), the issuance,
28 modification, or termination of any permit, certificate, or license
29 by the department or any air authority in the exercise of its
30 jurisdiction, including the issuance or termination of a waste
31 disposal permit, the denial of an application for a waste disposal
32 permit, the modification of the conditions or the terms of a waste
33 disposal permit, or a decision to approve or deny an application for
34 a solid waste permit exemption under RCW 70.95.300.

35 (e) Decisions of local health departments regarding the grant or
36 denial of solid waste permits pursuant to chapter 70.95 RCW.

37 (f) Decisions of local health departments regarding the issuance
38 and enforcement of permits to use or dispose of biosolids under RCW
39 70.95J.080.

1 (g) Decisions of the department regarding waste-derived
2 fertilizer or micronutrient fertilizer under RCW 15.54.820, and
3 decisions of the department regarding waste-derived soil amendments
4 under RCW 70.95.205.

5 (h) Decisions of local conservation districts related to the
6 denial of approval or denial of certification of a dairy nutrient
7 management plan; conditions contained in a plan; application of any
8 dairy nutrient management practices, standards, methods, and
9 technologies to a particular dairy farm; and failure to adhere to the
10 plan review and approval timelines in RCW 90.64.026.

11 (i) Any other decision by the department or an air authority
12 which pursuant to law must be decided as an adjudicative proceeding
13 under chapter 34.05 RCW.

14 (j) Decisions of the department of natural resources, the
15 department of fish and wildlife, and the department that are
16 reviewable under chapter 76.09 RCW, and the department of natural
17 resources' appeals of county, city, or town objections under RCW
18 76.09.050(7).

19 (k) Forest health hazard orders issued by the commissioner of
20 public lands under RCW 76.06.180.

21 (l) Decisions of the department of fish and wildlife to issue,
22 deny, condition, or modify a hydraulic project approval permit under
23 chapter 77.55 RCW.

24 (m) Decisions of the department of natural resources that are
25 reviewable under RCW 78.44.270.

26 (n) Decisions of an authorized public entity under RCW 79.100.010
27 to take temporary possession or custody of a vessel or to contest the
28 amount of reimbursement owed that are reviewable by the hearings
29 board under RCW 79.100.120.

30 (2) The following hearings shall not be conducted by the hearings
31 board:

32 (a) Hearings required by law to be conducted by the shorelines
33 hearings board pursuant to chapter 90.58 RCW.

34 (b) Hearings conducted by the department pursuant to RCW
35 70.94.332, 70.94.390, 70.94.395, 70.94.400, 70.94.405, 70.94.410, and
36 90.44.180.

37 (c) Appeals of decisions by the department under RCW 90.03.110
38 and 90.44.220.

39 (d) Hearings conducted by the department to adopt, modify, or
40 repeal rules.

1 (3) Review of rules and regulations adopted by the hearings board
2 shall be subject to review in accordance with the provisions of the
3 administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW.

4 **Sec. 9.** RCW 43.21B.110 and 2013 c 291 s 34 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The hearings board shall only have jurisdiction to hear and
7 decide appeals from the following decisions of the department, the
8 director, local conservation districts, the air pollution control
9 boards or authorities as established pursuant to chapter 70.94 RCW,
10 local health departments, the department of natural resources, the
11 department of fish and wildlife, the parks and recreation commission,
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21 modification, or termination of any permit, certificate, or license
22 by the department or any air authority in the exercise of its
23 jurisdiction, including the issuance or termination of a waste
24 disposal permit, the denial of an application for a waste disposal
25 permit, the modification of the conditions or the terms of a waste
26 disposal permit, or a decision to approve or deny an application for
27 a solid waste permit exemption under RCW 70.95.300.

28 (d) Decisions of local health departments regarding the grant or
29 denial of solid waste permits pursuant to chapter 70.95 RCW.

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2 technologies to a particular dairy farm; and failure to adhere to the
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35 shall be subject to review in accordance with the provisions of the
36 administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW.

37 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** Section 8 of this act expires June 30,
38 2019.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** Section 9 of this act takes effect June
2 30, 2019.

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