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1 AN ACT Relating to protecting elected officials and candidates,
2 executive state officers, election officials, and criminal justice
3 participants against threats and incidents of political violence by
4 authorizing the nondisclosure of their primary residential address
5 and increasing access to personal security measures; amending RCW
6 9A.46.020, 40.24.030, 43.43.037, 29B.05.030, 29B.55.030, 29B.25.090,
7 29B.40.180, 29A.24.031, 65.04.140, 84.40.020, 84.40.160, 40.14.030,
8 4.24.680, 29B.40.090, 29B.40.130, and 42.52.160; reenacting and
9 amending RCW 29A.08.710; adding a new section to chapter 44.04 RCW;
10 adding a new section to chapter 29B.05 RCW; adding a new section to
11 chapter 42.56 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 44 RCW; prescribing
12 penalties; and declaring an emergency.

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

14 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.46.020 and 2024 c 292 s 1 are each amended to
15 read as follows:

16 (1) A person is guilty of harassment if:

17 (a) Without lawful authority, the person knowingly threatens:

18 (i) To cause bodily injury immediately or in the future to the
19 person threatened or to any other person; or

20 (ii) To cause physical damage to the property of a person other
21 than the actor; or

1 (iii) To subject the person threatened or any other person to
2 physical confinement or restraint; or

3 (iv) Maliciously to do any other act which is intended to
4 substantially harm the person threatened or another with respect to
5 his or her physical health or safety; and

6 (b) The person by words or conduct places the person threatened
7 in reasonable fear that the threat will be carried out. "Words or
8 conduct" includes, in addition to any other form of communication or
9 conduct, the sending of an electronic communication.

10 (2) (a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, a person who
11 harasses another is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

12 (b) A person who harasses another is guilty of a class C felony
13 if any of the following apply: (i) The person has previously been
14 convicted in this or any other state of any crime of harassment, as
15 defined in RCW 9A.46.060, of the same victim or members of the
16 victim's family or household or any person specifically named in a
17 no-contact or no-harassment order; (ii) the person harasses another
18 person under subsection (1) (a) (i) of this section by threatening to
19 kill the person threatened or any other person; (iii) the person
20 harasses a criminal justice participant, elected official, or
21 election official who is performing his or her official duties at the
22 time the threat is made; or (iv) the person harasses a criminal
23 justice participant, elected official, or election official because
24 of an action taken or decision made by the criminal justice
25 participant, elected official, or election official during the
26 performance of his or her official duties. For the purposes of
27 (b) (iii) and (iv) of this subsection, the fear from the threat must
28 be a fear that a reasonable criminal justice participant, elected
29 official, or election official would have under all the
30 circumstances. Threatening words do not constitute harassment if it
31 is apparent to the criminal justice participant, elected official, or
32 election official that the person does not have the present and
33 future ability to carry out the threat.

34 (3) Any criminal justice participant, elected official, or
35 election official who is a target for threats or harassment
36 prohibited under subsection (2) (b) (iii) or (iv) of this section, and
37 any person residing with him or her, shall be eligible for the
38 address confidentiality program created under RCW 40.24.030.

39 (4) For purposes of this section (~~(7-a)~~):

1 ~~(a)~~ A criminal justice participant includes any ~~((a))~~ (i)
2 federal, state, or local law enforcement agency employee; ~~((b))~~
3 (ii) federal, state, or local prosecuting attorney or deputy
4 prosecuting attorney; ~~((c))~~ (iii) staff member of any adult
5 corrections institution or local adult detention facility; ~~((d))~~
6 (iv) staff member of any juvenile corrections institution or local
7 juvenile detention facility; ~~((e))~~ (v) community corrections
8 officer, probation, or parole officer; ~~((f))~~ (vi) member of the
9 indeterminate sentence review board; ~~((g))~~ (vii) advocate from a
10 crime victim/witness program; or ~~((h))~~ (viii) defense attorney.

11 ~~((5) For the purposes of this section, an)~~ (b) "Elected
12 official" has the same meaning as in RCW 29B.10.180.

13 (c) An election official includes any staff member of the office
14 of the secretary of state or staff member of a county auditor's
15 office, regardless of whether the member is employed on a temporary
16 or part-time basis, whose duties relate to voter registration or the
17 processing of votes as provided in Title 29A RCW.

18 ~~((6))~~ (5) The penalties provided in this section for harassment
19 do not preclude the victim from seeking any other remedy otherwise
20 available under law.

21 **Sec. 2.** RCW 40.24.030 and 2024 c 292 s 2 are each amended to
22 read as follows:

23 (1)(a) An adult person, a parent or guardian acting on behalf of
24 a minor, or a guardian acting on behalf of an individual subject to
25 guardianship as defined in RCW 11.130.010, (b) any election official
26 as described in RCW 9A.46.020 or 9A.90.120 who is a target for
27 threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.46.020 or
28 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), and any person residing with such
29 person, (c) any criminal justice participant as defined in RCW
30 9A.46.020 who is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under
31 RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv) and any criminal justice
32 participant as defined in RCW 9A.90.120 who is a target for threats
33 or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), and
34 any person residing with such person, and (d) any protected health
35 care services provider, employee, or an affiliate of such provider,
36 who provides, attempts to provide, assists in the provision, or
37 attempts to assist in the provision of protected health care services
38 as defined in RCW 7.115.010, and any family members residing with
39 such person, may apply to the secretary of state to have an address

1 designated by the secretary of state serve as the person's address or
2 the address of the minor or incapacitated person. The secretary of
3 state shall approve an application if it is filed in the manner and
4 on the form prescribed by the secretary of state and if it contains:

5 (i) A sworn statement, under penalty of perjury, by the applicant
6 that the applicant has good reason to believe (A) that the applicant,
7 or the minor or incapacitated person on whose behalf the application
8 is made, is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault,
9 trafficking, or stalking and that the applicant fears for the
10 applicant's safety or the applicant's children's safety, or the
11 safety of the minor or incapacitated person on whose behalf the
12 application is made; (B) that the applicant, as an election official
13 as described in RCW 9A.46.020 or 9A.90.120, is a target for threats
14 or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.46.020 or 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii)
15 or (iv); (C) that the applicant, as a criminal justice participant as
16 defined in RCW 9A.46.020, is a target for threats or harassment
17 prohibited under RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), or that the
18 applicant, as a criminal justice participant as defined in RCW
19 9A.90.120 is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW
20 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv); or (D) that the applicant, as a
21 protected health care services provider, employee, or an affiliate of
22 such provider, who provides, attempts to provide, assists in the
23 provision, or attempts to assist in the provision of protected health
24 care services as defined in RCW 7.115.010, is a target for threats or
25 harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120 or 9A.46.020;

26 (ii) If applicable, a sworn statement, under penalty of perjury,
27 by the applicant, that the applicant has reason to believe they are a
28 victim of (A) domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking
29 perpetrated by an employee of a law enforcement agency, (B) threats
30 or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv) or
31 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), or (C) threats or harassment as
32 described in (a)(i)(D) of this subsection;

33 (iii) A designation of the secretary of state as agent for
34 purposes of service of process and for the purpose of receipt of
35 mail;

36 (iv) The residential address and any telephone number where the
37 applicant can be contacted by the secretary of state, which shall not
38 be disclosed because disclosure will increase the risk of (A)
39 domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, or stalking, (B)
40 threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or

1 (iv) or 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), or (C) threats or harassment
2 as described in (a)(i)(D) of this subsection;

3 (v) The signature of the applicant and of any individual or
4 representative of any office designated in writing under RCW
5 40.24.080 who assisted in the preparation of the application, and the
6 date on which the applicant signed the application.

7 (2) Any elected official as defined in RCW 29B.10.180 and any
8 person residing with such person may apply to the secretary of state
9 to have an address designated by the secretary of state serve as the
10 person's address. The secretary of state shall approve an application
11 if it is filed in the manner and on the form prescribed by the
12 secretary of state and if it contains:

13 (a) A designation of the secretary of state as agent for purposes
14 of service of process and for the purpose of receipt of mail;

15 (b) The residential address and any telephone number where the
16 applicant can be contacted by the secretary of state; and

17 (c) The signature of the applicant and the date on which the
18 applicant signed the application.

19 (3) Applications shall be filed with the office of the secretary
20 of state.

21 ~~((3))~~ (4) Upon filing a properly completed application, the
22 secretary of state shall certify the applicant as a program
23 participant. Applicants shall be certified for four years following
24 the date of filing unless the certification is withdrawn or
25 invalidated before that date. The secretary of state shall by rule
26 establish a renewal procedure.

27 ~~((4))~~ (5)(a) During the application process, the secretary of
28 state shall provide each applicant a form to direct the department of
29 licensing to change the address of registration for vehicles or
30 vessels solely or jointly registered to the applicant and the address
31 associated with the applicant's driver's license or identicard to the
32 applicant's address as designated by the secretary of state upon
33 certification in the program. The directive to the department of
34 licensing is only valid if signed by the applicant. The directive may
35 only include information required by the department of licensing to
36 verify the applicant's identity and ownership information for
37 vehicles and vessels. This information is limited to the:

38 (i) Applicant's full legal name;

39 (ii) Applicant's Washington driver's license or identicard
40 number;

1 (iii) Applicant's date of birth;

2 (iv) Vehicle identification number and license plate number for
3 each vehicle solely or jointly registered to the applicant; and

4 (v) Hull identification number or vessel document number and
5 vessel decal number for each vessel solely or jointly registered to
6 the applicant.

7 (b) Upon certification of the applicants, the secretary of state
8 shall transmit completed and signed directives to the department of
9 licensing.

10 (c) Within 30 days of receiving a completed and signed directive,
11 the department of licensing shall update the applicant's address on
12 registration and licensing records.

13 (d) Applicants are not required to sign the directive to the
14 department of licensing to be certified as a program participant.

15 ~~((5))~~ (6) A person who knowingly provides false or incorrect
16 information upon making an application or falsely attests in an
17 application that disclosure of the applicant's address would endanger
18 (a) the applicant's safety or the safety of the applicant's children
19 or the minor or incapacitated person on whose behalf the application
20 is made, (b) the safety of any election official as described in RCW
21 9A.46.020 or 9A.90.120 who is a target for threats or harassment
22 prohibited under RCW 9A.46.020 or 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), (c)
23 the safety of any criminal justice participant as defined in RCW
24 9A.46.020 who is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under
25 RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv) or of any criminal justice
26 participant as defined in RCW 9A.90.120 who is a target for threats
27 or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), or
28 (d) the safety of any person as described in subsection (1)(a)(i)(D)
29 of this section who is a target for threats or harassment, or any
30 family members residing with such person, shall be punished under RCW
31 40.16.030 or other applicable statutes.

32 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.43.037 and 1965 ex.s. c 96 s 2 are each amended
33 to read as follows:

34 (1) The chief of the Washington state patrol is directed to
35 provide such security and protection for both houses of the
36 legislative building while in session as in the opinion of the
37 speaker of the house and the president of the senate may be necessary
38 therefor upon the advice of the respective sergeant-at-arms of each
39 legislative body.

1 (2)(a) The chief of the Washington state patrol or the chief's
2 designee shall provide personal security and protection for
3 legislators upon request at public events where the local law
4 enforcement agency is unable or unwilling to provide such security
5 and protection.

6 (b) For the purposes of this subsection, a "public event" means
7 any event with a legislative nexus, as described in RCW 42.52.175,
8 for which the attendance of the legislator is advertised to the
9 public.

10 (3) At the request of a legislator in accordance with section 4
11 of this act, the chief of the Washington state patrol shall conduct
12 the security assessment described in section 4 of this act if the
13 sergeant-at-arms of that legislator's respective chamber is unable to
14 conduct the assessment in a timely manner.

15 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. (1) Upon request of a legislator, the
16 sergeant-at-arms of the legislator's respective legislative body or
17 the sergeant-at-arms' designee shall conduct a security assessment of
18 that legislator's residence and make recommendations, if any, for
19 additional personal security measures necessary to address dangers or
20 threats that would not exist but for the individual's status or
21 duties as a legislator. The sergeant-at-arms may contract out for the
22 security assessment. If the sergeant-at-arms or the sergeant-at-arms'
23 designee is unable to complete the legislator's request in a timely
24 manner, the legislator may make a request of the chief of the
25 Washington state patrol to conduct the security assessment. Upon such
26 request, the chief of the Washington state patrol shall conduct the
27 security assessment. A legislator may alternatively request that the
28 security assessment be performed by a local law enforcement agency.

29 (2) "Personal security measures" may include, but is not limited
30 to:

31 (a) Nonstructural security devices, such as security hardware,
32 locks, alarm systems, motion detectors, security camera systems, and
33 subscriptions for security systems;

34 (b) Structural security devices, such as wiring, lighting, gates,
35 doors, and fencing, so long as such devices are intended solely to
36 provide security and not to improve the property or increase its
37 value;

1 (c) Security personnel and services that are bona fide,
2 legitimate, professional, and provided by a person licensed under
3 chapter 18.170 RCW; and

4 (d) Cybersecurity software, devices, and services, including
5 those services that remove residential addresses from existing
6 websites, and credit monitoring and identity theft monitoring
7 services.

8 (3)(a) As applied to public records requests of a legislator's
9 office, audio recordings, video recordings, or photographs created by
10 a security recording device that qualifies as a personal security
11 measure are not public records within the meaning of RCW 42.56.010
12 because they do not contain information relating to the conduct of
13 government or the performance of any governmental or proprietary
14 function, and are therefore not subject to chapter 42.56 RCW. Such
15 audio recordings, video recordings, or photographs provided by the
16 legislator to another agency, although meeting the definition of
17 public record under RCW 42.56.010 unless otherwise provided by law,
18 are confidential and not subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56
19 RCW.

20 (b) Records other than those described in (a) of this subsection
21 that are created by a personal security measure are confidential and
22 not subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 44.04
24 RCW to read as follows:

25 The speaker of the house and the president of the senate are
26 encouraged to hold a security briefing for representatives and
27 senators before the commencement of each regular term of office
28 pursuant to RCW 44.04.021.

29 **Sec. 6.** RCW 29B.05.030 and 2024 c 164 s 403 are each amended to
30 read as follows:

31 ((All)) (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section,
32 all statements and reports filed under this title shall be public
33 records of the agency where they are filed, and shall be available
34 for public inspection and copying during normal business hours at the
35 expense of the person requesting copies, provided that the charge for
36 such copies shall not exceed actual cost to the agency.

37 (2)(a) Elected officials may, using a form developed by the
38 commission, request that the commission redact from reports filed

1 pursuant to RCW 29B.25.020, 29B.25.030, 29B.25.100, 29B.25.110,
2 29B.25.120, 29B.25.130, 29B.25.140, 29B.30.020, 29B.50.010,
3 29B.50.080, and 29B.50.100, their residential address and the same
4 residential address of any person residing with them who appears in a
5 report. The residential address identified on such form is
6 confidential and may not be disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW.

7 (b) An elected official making a request for redaction under (a)
8 of this subsection must identify the residential address to be
9 redacted and the specific report that contains such address. Upon
10 receipt of the request, the residential address identified is
11 confidential and may not be disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW except
12 as provided for under (c) of this subsection, and the commission
13 shall conduct a reasonable search and redact such addresses from the
14 reports in a timely manner. A request made under this subsection may
15 not be construed as a standing request for redactions of residential
16 addresses in future reports.

17 (c) The commission may disclose the residential address of an
18 elected official or any person residing with the elected official:

19 (i) Upon receipt of the express written consent of the elected
20 official; or

21 (ii) To the news media, as defined in RCW 5.68.010, in response
22 to a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW from the news
23 media. At the time of the request, the requester shall disclose to
24 the commission the requester's legal name and the requester's
25 associated news media. Any residential address disclosed pursuant to
26 this subsection may not be further disseminated by the recipient.
27 Immediately upon receiving a request for a report described under (a)
28 this subsection, the commission shall notify all elected officials
29 whose information is included in such a report. The notice must
30 include the name of the requester and the requester's associated news
31 media. The requirement to provide notice under this subsection may
32 not delay the production of records in response to a public records
33 request.

34 (d) This subsection (2) applies to reports filed with the
35 commission before the effective date of this section and to reports
36 filed on or after the effective date of this section.

37 (3) For purposes of this section:

38 (a) "Dwelling unit" means a structure or that part of a
39 structure, which is used as a home, residence, or sleeping place by
40 one person or multiple persons maintaining a common household, such

1 as single-family residences, units of multiplexes, apartment
2 buildings, and mobile homes.

3 (b) "Residence" means the primary residential real property used
4 exclusively as a personal dwelling unit by the elected official.

5 (c) "Residential address" means the physical address of a
6 residence used by the elected official.

7 NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 29B.05
8 RCW to read as follows:

9 (1) Any person required to disclose the address of another in a
10 report filed pursuant to RCW 29B.25.020, 29B.25.030, 29B.25.100,
11 29B.25.110, 29B.25.120, 29B.25.130, 29B.25.140, 29B.30.020,
12 29B.50.010, 29B.50.080, or 29B.50.100, shall establish a process for
13 an elected official to:

14 (a) Provide an address that is not the elected official's
15 residential address; and

16 (b) Request that the filer of a report described under this
17 subsection redact, before filing the report with the commission, the
18 elected official's residential address and the same residential
19 address of any person residing with the elected official who appears
20 in a report. The elected official must identify the residential
21 address to be redacted and the specific report containing that
22 address.

23 (2) Upon receiving a request from an elected official to redact
24 the elected official's residential address, a person required to file
25 a report described in this section must redact the address before
26 filing the report with the commission or otherwise making the report
27 available for public inspection.

28 (3) For purposes of this section, "residential address" has the
29 same meaning as in RCW 29B.05.030.

30 **Sec. 8.** RCW 29B.55.030 and 2025 c 377 s 28 are each amended to
31 read as follows:

32 (1) The statement of financial affairs required by RCW 29B.55.010
33 shall disclose the following information for the reporting individual
34 and each member of the reporting individual's immediate family:

35 (a) Occupation, name of employer, and business address;

36 (b) Each bank account, savings account, and insurance policy in
37 which a direct financial interest was held that exceeds twenty
38 thousand dollars at any time during the reporting period; each other

1 item of intangible personal property in which a direct financial
2 interest was held that exceeds two thousand dollars during the
3 reporting period; the name, address, and nature of the entity; and
4 the nature and highest value of each direct financial interest during
5 the reporting period;

6 (c) The name and address of each creditor to whom the value of
7 two thousand dollars or more was owed; the original amount of each
8 debt to each creditor; the amount of each debt owed to each creditor
9 as of the date of filing; the terms of repayment of each debt; and
10 the security given, if any, for each such debt. Debts arising from a
11 "retail installment transaction" as defined in chapter 63.14 RCW
12 (retail installment sales act) need not be reported;

13 (d) Every public or private office, directorship, and position
14 held as trustee; except that an elected official or executive state
15 officer need not report the elected official's or executive state
16 officer's service on a governmental board, commission, association,
17 or functional equivalent, when such service is part of the elected
18 official's or executive state officer's official duties;

19 (e) All persons for whom any legislation, rule, rate, or standard
20 has been prepared, promoted, or opposed for current or deferred
21 compensation. For the purposes of this subsection, "compensation"
22 does not include payments made to the person reporting by the
23 governmental entity for which the person serves as an elected
24 official or state executive officer or professional staff member for
25 the person's service in office; the description of such actual or
26 proposed legislation, rules, rates, or standards; and the amount of
27 current or deferred compensation paid or promised to be paid;

28 (f) The name and address of each governmental entity,
29 corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship,
30 association, union, or other business or commercial entity from whom
31 compensation has been received in any form of a total value of two
32 thousand dollars or more; the value of the compensation; and the
33 consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation;

34 (g) The name of any corporation, partnership, joint venture,
35 association, union, or other entity in which is held any office,
36 directorship, or any general partnership interest, or an ownership
37 interest of ten percent or more; the name or title of that office,
38 directorship, or partnership; the nature of ownership interest; and:

39 (i) With respect to a governmental unit in which the official seeks
40 or holds any office or position, if the entity has received

1 compensation in any form during the preceding twelve months from the
2 governmental unit, the value of the compensation and the
3 consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation;
4 and (ii) the name of each governmental unit, corporation,
5 partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship, association, union,
6 or other business or commercial entity from which the entity has
7 received compensation in any form in the amount of ten thousand
8 dollars or more during the preceding twelve months and the
9 consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation. As
10 used in (g)(ii) of this subsection, "compensation" does not include
11 payment for water and other utility services at rates approved by the
12 Washington state utilities and transportation commission or the
13 legislative authority of the public entity providing the service.
14 With respect to any bank or commercial lending institution in which
15 is held any office, directorship, partnership interest, or ownership
16 interest, it shall only be necessary to report either the name,
17 address, and occupation of every director and officer of the bank or
18 commercial lending institution and the average monthly balance of
19 each account held during the preceding twelve months by the bank or
20 commercial lending institution from the governmental entity for which
21 the individual is an official or candidate or professional staff
22 member, or all interest paid by a borrower on loans from and all
23 interest paid to a depositor by the bank or commercial lending
24 institution if the interest exceeds two thousand four hundred
25 dollars;

26 (h) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as
27 prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of
28 Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds ten thousand
29 dollars in which any direct financial interest was acquired during
30 the preceding calendar year, and a statement of the amount and nature
31 of the financial interest and of the consideration given in exchange
32 for that interest;

33 (i) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as
34 prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of
35 Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds ten thousand
36 dollars in which any direct financial interest was divested during
37 the preceding calendar year, and a statement of the amount and nature
38 of the consideration received in exchange for that interest, and the
39 name and address of the person furnishing the consideration;

1 (j) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as
2 prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of
3 Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds ten thousand
4 dollars in which a direct financial interest was held. If a
5 description of the property has been included in a report previously
6 filed, the property may be listed, for purposes of this subsection
7 (1)(j), by reference to the previously filed report;

8 (k) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as
9 prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of
10 Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds twenty thousand
11 dollars, in which a corporation, partnership, firm, enterprise, or
12 other entity had a direct financial interest, in which corporation,
13 partnership, firm, or enterprise a ten percent or greater ownership
14 interest was held;

15 (l) A list of each occasion, specifying date, donor, and amount,
16 at which food and beverage in excess of \$100 was accepted under RCW
17 42.52.150(7);

18 (m) A list of each occasion, specifying date, donor, and amount,
19 at which items specified in RCW 42.52.150(1)(c) (iv) and (vi) were
20 accepted; and

21 (n) Such other information as the commission may deem necessary
22 in order to properly carry out the purposes and policies of this
23 title, as the commission shall prescribe by rule.

24 (2)(a) When judges, prosecutors, sheriffs, executive state
25 officers, participants in the address confidentiality program under
26 RCW 40.24.030, or their immediate family members are required to
27 disclose real property that is the personal residence of the judge,
28 prosecutor, sheriff, executive state officer, or address
29 confidentiality program participant, the requirements of subsection
30 (1)(h) through (k) of this section may be satisfied for that property
31 by substituting:

32 (i) The city or town;

33 (ii) The type of residence, such as a single-family or
34 multifamily residence, and the nature of ownership; and

35 (iii) Such other identifying information the commission
36 prescribes by rule for the mailing address where the property is
37 located.

38 (b) Nothing in this subsection relieves the judge, prosecutor,
39 executive state officer, or sheriff of any other applicable
40 obligations to disclose potential conflicts or to recuse oneself.

1 (3) (a) Except as specified in (b) of this subsection, the primary
2 residential address and associated parcel number of the residence of
3 an elected official or executive state officer disclosed on the
4 statement of financial affairs filed with the commission are
5 confidential and may not be disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW.

6 (b) The commission may disclose information described in (a) of
7 this subsection:

8 (i) If the filer has provided the commission with express written
9 consent to disclose such information; or

10 (ii) To the news media, as defined in RCW 5.68.010, in response
11 to a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW from the news
12 media. At the time of the request, the requester shall disclose to
13 the commission the requester's legal name and the requester's
14 associated news media. Any residential address or associated parcel
15 number that is disclosed pursuant to this subsection may not be
16 further disseminated by the requester. Immediately upon receiving a
17 request for the statement of financial affairs of an elected official
18 or executive state officer, the commission shall notify such person
19 of the request. The notice must include the name of the requester and
20 the requester's associated news media. The requirement to provide
21 notice under this subsection may not delay the production of records
22 in response to a public records request.

23 (c) (i) This subsection (3) applies to all statements of financial
24 affairs filed with the commission before the effective date of this
25 section and to statements of financial affairs filed on or after the
26 effective date of this section.

27 (ii) For statements of financial affairs filed after the
28 effective date of this section, the commission shall develop a method
29 for filers to indicate at the time of filing which residences
30 included in their statement of financial affairs are exempt from
31 disclosure pursuant to (a) of this subsection.

32 (iii) For statements of financial affairs filed before the
33 effective date of this section, the filer must, using a form
34 developed by the commission, identify the residence exempt from
35 disclosure pursuant to (a) of this subsection and the specific report
36 that contains such residence. The residence identified on such form
37 is confidential and may not be disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW.

38 (d) For purposes of this subsection (3):

39 (i) "Dwelling unit" has the same meaning as in RCW 29B.05.030.

1 (ii) "Executive state officer" has the same meaning as in RCW
2 29B.55.020.

3 (iii) "Residence" means the primary residential real property
4 used exclusively as a personal dwelling unit by the elected official
5 or executive state officer.

6 (iv) "Residential address" means the physical address of a
7 residence used by the elected official or executive state officer.

8 (4) (a) Where an amount is required to be reported under
9 subsection (1) (a) through (m) of this section, it may be reported
10 within a range as provided in (b) of this subsection.

11 (b)

Code A	Less than thirty thousand dollars;
Code B	At least thirty thousand dollars, but less than sixty thousand dollars;
Code C	At least sixty thousand dollars, but less than one hundred thousand dollars;
Code D	At least one hundred thousand dollars, but less than two hundred thousand dollars;
Code E	At least two hundred thousand dollars, but less than five hundred thousand dollars;
Code F	At least five hundred thousand dollars, but less than seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars;
Code G	At least seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, but less than one million dollars; or
Code H	One million dollars or more.

28 (c) An amount of stock may be reported by number of shares
29 instead of by market value. No provision of this subsection may be
30 interpreted to prevent any person from filing more information or
31 more detailed information than required.

32 ~~((+4))~~ (5) Items of value given to an official's or employee's
33 spouse, domestic partner, or family member are attributable to the
34 official or employee, except the item is not attributable if an
35 independent business, family, or social relationship exists between
36 the donor and the spouse, domestic partner, or family member.

1 **Sec. 9.** RCW 29B.25.090 and 2024 c 164 s 426 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

3 (1)(a) In addition to the information required under RCW
4 29B.25.020 and 29B.25.040, each candidate or political committee must
5 file with the commission a report of all contributions received and
6 expenditures made as a political committee on the next reporting date
7 pursuant to the timeline established in this section.

8 (b) In addition to the information required under RCW 29B.25.030
9 and 29B.25.040, on the day an incidental committee files a statement
10 of organization with the commission, each incidental committee must
11 file with the commission a report of any election campaign
12 expenditures under RCW 29B.25.100(7), as well as the source of the 10
13 largest cumulative payments of (~~ten thousand dollars~~) \$10,000 or
14 greater it received in the current calendar year from a single
15 person, including any persons tied as the 10th largest source of
16 payments it received, if any.

17 (2) Each treasurer of a candidate or political committee, or an
18 incidental committee, required to file a statement of organization
19 under this title, shall file with the commission a report, for each
20 election in which a candidate, political committee, or incidental
21 committee is participating, containing the information required by
22 RCW 29B.25.100 at the following intervals:

23 (a) On the 21st day and the seventh day immediately preceding the
24 date on which the election is held; and

25 (b) On the 10th day of the first full month after the election.

26 (3)(a) Each treasurer of a candidate or political committee shall
27 file with the commission a report on the 10th day of each month
28 during which the candidate or political committee is not
29 participating in an election campaign, only if the committee has
30 received a contribution or made an expenditure in the preceding
31 calendar month and either the total contributions received or total
32 expenditures made since the last such report exceed (~~two hundred~~
33 ~~dollars~~) \$200.

34 (b) Each incidental committee shall file with the commission a
35 report on the 10th day of each month during which the incidental
36 committee is not otherwise required to report under this section only
37 if the committee has:

38 (i) Received a payment that would change the information required
39 under RCW 29B.25.100(2)(d) as included in its last report; or

1 (ii) Made any election campaign expenditure reportable under RCW
2 29B.25.100(7) since its last report, and the total election campaign
3 expenditures made since the last report exceed (~~two hundred~~
4 ~~dollars~~) \$200.

5 (4) The report filed 21 days before the election shall report all
6 contributions received and expenditures made as of the end of one
7 business day before the date of the report. The report filed seven
8 days before the election shall report all contributions received and
9 expenditures made as of the end of one business day before the date
10 of the report. Reports filed on the 10th day of the month shall
11 report all contributions received and expenditures made from the
12 closing date of the last report filed through the last day of the
13 month preceding the date of the current report.

14 (5) For the period beginning the first day of the fourth month
15 preceding the date of the special election, or for the period
16 beginning the first day of the fifth month before the date of the
17 general election, and ending on the date of that special or general
18 election, each Monday the treasurer for a candidate or a political
19 committee shall file with the commission a report of each bank
20 deposit made during the previous seven calendar days. The report
21 shall contain the name of each person contributing the funds and the
22 amount contributed by each person. However, persons who contribute no
23 more than (~~twenty-five dollars~~) \$25 in the aggregate are not
24 required to be identified in the report. A copy of the report shall
25 be retained by the treasurer for the treasurer's records. In the
26 event of deposits made by candidates, political committee members, or
27 paid staff other than the treasurer, the copy shall be immediately
28 provided to the treasurer for the treasurer's records. Each report
29 shall be certified as correct by the treasurer.

30 (6)(a) The treasurer for a candidate or a political committee
31 shall maintain books of account accurately reflecting all
32 contributions and expenditures on a current basis within five
33 business days of receipt or expenditure. During the 10 calendar days
34 immediately preceding the date of the election the books of account
35 shall be kept current within one business day. As specified in the
36 political committee's statement of organization filed under RCW
37 29B.25.020, the books of account must be open for public inspection
38 by appointment at a place agreed upon by both the treasurer and the
39 requestor, for inspections between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on any day
40 from the 10th calendar day immediately before the election through

1 the day immediately before the election, other than Saturday, Sunday,
2 or a legal holiday. It is a violation of this title for a candidate
3 or political committee to refuse to allow and keep an appointment for
4 an inspection to be conducted during these authorized times and days.
5 The appointment must be allowed at an authorized time and day for
6 such inspections that is within 48 hours of the time and day that is
7 requested for the inspection. The treasurer may provide digital
8 access or copies of the books of account in lieu of scheduling an
9 appointment at a designated place for inspection. If the treasurer
10 and requestor are unable to agree on a location and the treasurer has
11 not provided digital access to the books of account, the default
12 location for an appointment shall be a place of public accommodation
13 selected by the treasurer within a reasonable distance from the
14 treasurer's office.

15 (b) At the time of making the appointment, a person wishing to
16 inspect the books of account must provide the treasurer the name and
17 telephone number of the person wishing to inspect the books of
18 account. The person inspecting the books of account must show photo
19 identification before the inspection begins.

20 (c) A treasurer may refuse to show the books of account to any
21 person who does not make an appointment or provide the required
22 identification. The commission may issue limited rules to modify the
23 requirements set forth in this section in consideration of other
24 technology and best practices.

25 (d) In accordance with RCW 29B.05.030 and section 7 of this act,
26 if a treasurer receives a request from an elected official to redact
27 the elected official's residential address, the treasurer shall
28 redact from the books of account the residential address of the
29 elected official and the same address of any person residing with the
30 elected official who appears in the books of account before making
31 the books of account open for public inspection.

32 (7) Copies of all reports filed pursuant to this section shall be
33 readily available for public inspection by appointment, pursuant to
34 subsection (6) of this section.

35 (8) The treasurer or candidate shall preserve books of account,
36 bills, receipts, and all other financial records of the campaign or
37 political committee for not less than five calendar years following
38 the year during which the transaction occurred or for any longer
39 period as otherwise required by law.

1 (9) All reports filed pursuant to subsection (1) or (2) of this
2 section shall be certified as correct by the candidate and the
3 treasurer.

4 (10) Where there is not a pending complaint concerning a report,
5 it is not evidence of a violation of this section to submit an
6 amended report within 21 days of filing an initial report if:

7 (a) The report is accurately amended;

8 (b) The amended report is filed more than 30 days before an
9 election;

10 (c) The total aggregate dollar amount of the adjustment for the
11 amended report is within three times the contribution limit per
12 election or (~~two hundred dollars~~) \$200, whichever is greater; and

13 (d) The committee reported all information that was available to
14 it at the time of filing, or made a good faith effort to do so, or if
15 a refund of a contribution or expenditure is being reported.

16 (11)(a) When there is no outstanding debt or obligation, the
17 campaign fund is closed, the campaign is concluded in all respects,
18 and the political committee has ceased to function and intends to
19 dissolve, the treasurer shall file a final report. Upon submitting a
20 final report, the political committee so intending to dissolve must
21 file notice of intent to dissolve with the commission and the
22 commission must post the notice on its website.

23 (b) Any political committee may dissolve 60 days after it files
24 its notice to dissolve, only if:

25 (i) The political committee does not make any expenditures other
26 than those related to the dissolution process or engage in any
27 political activity or any other activities that generate additional
28 reporting requirements under this title after filing such notice;

29 (ii) No complaint or court action under this title is pending
30 against the political committee; and

31 (iii) All penalties assessed by the commission or court order
32 have been paid by the political committee.

33 (c) The political committee must continue to report regularly as
34 required under this title until all the conditions under (b) of this
35 subsection are resolved.

36 (d) Upon dissolution, the commission must issue an acknowledgment
37 of dissolution, the duties of the treasurer shall cease, and there
38 shall be no further obligations under this title. Dissolution does
39 not absolve the candidate or board of the committee from

1 responsibility for any future obligations resulting from the finding
2 after dissolution of a violation committed prior to dissolution.

3 (12) The commission must adopt rules for the dissolution of
4 incidental committees.

5 **Sec. 10.** RCW 29B.40.180 and 2024 c 164 s 460 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) A person, other than an individual, may not be an
8 intermediary or an agent for a contribution.

9 (2) An individual may not make a contribution on behalf of
10 another person or entity, or while acting as the intermediary or
11 agent of another person or entity, without disclosing to the
12 recipient of the contribution both his or her full name, street
13 address, occupation, name of employer, if any, or place of business
14 if self-employed, and the same information for each contributor for
15 whom the individual serves as intermediary or agent.

16 (3) (a) An elected official, whether acting as an intermediary or
17 agent for a contribution or a contributor using an intermediary or
18 agent, or who resides with any such a person, may, using a form
19 developed by the commission, request that the commission redact from
20 pertinent records the street address of the elected official's
21 residence and the same street address of any person residing with the
22 elected official who appears in a report. The elected official must
23 identify the street address to be redacted and the specific report
24 containing such address. Upon receipt of such request, the identified
25 street address contained in the identified reports and the request
26 form is confidential and may not be disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW
27 except as provided for under (b) of this subsection, and the
28 commission shall conduct a reasonable search and redact such
29 addresses from the reports in a timely manner. A request made under
30 this subsection may not be construed as a standing request to redact
31 the address in future records.

32 (b) The commission may disclose the street address for the
33 residence of an elected official or any person residing with such
34 person:

35 (i) Upon receipt of the express written consent of the elected
36 official to disclose the elected official's street address; or

37 (ii) To the news media, as defined in RCW 5.68.010, in response
38 to a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW from the news
39 media. At the time of their request, the requester shall disclose to

1 the commission the requester's legal name and the requester's
2 associated news media. Any street address disclosed pursuant to this
3 subsection may not be further disseminated by the recipient.
4 Immediately upon receiving a request for a report filed under this
5 section, the commission shall notify all elected officials whose
6 information is included in such a report. The notice must include the
7 name of the requester and the requester's associated news media. The
8 requirement to provide notice under this subsection may not delay the
9 production of records in response to a public records request.

10 (c) For purposes of this subsection (3), "residence" has the same
11 meaning as in RCW 29B.05.030.

12 **Sec. 11.** RCW 29A.24.031 and 2013 c 11 s 31 are each amended to
13 read as follows:

14 (1) A candidate who desires to have his or her name printed on
15 the ballot for election to an office other than president of the
16 United States, vice president of the United States, or an office for
17 which ownership of property is a prerequisite to voting shall
18 complete and file a declaration of candidacy. The secretary of state
19 shall adopt, by rule, a declaration of candidacy form for the office
20 of precinct committee officer and a separate standard form for
21 candidates for all other offices filing under this chapter. Included
22 on the standard form shall be:

23 ~~((1))~~ (a)(i) A place for the candidate to declare that he or
24 she is a registered voter within the jurisdiction of the office for
25 which he or she is filing, and the address at which he or she is
26 registered;

27 ~~((2))~~ (ii) Except as provided in (a)(iii) of this subsection,
28 the address at which the candidate is registered that is provided on
29 a declaration of candidacy is confidential and may not be disclosed
30 under chapter 42.56 RCW. This subsection (1)(a)(ii) applies to
31 declarations of candidacy filed before the effective date of this
32 section and to declarations of candidacy filed on or after the
33 effective date of this section.

34 (iii) The address at which the candidate is registered may be
35 disclosed:

36 (A) If the candidate has provided express written consent to
37 disclose the candidate's address;

38 (B) To the news media, as defined in RCW 5.68.010, in response to
39 a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW from the news media.

1 The requester must include in the request for public records the
2 requester's legal name and the requester's associated news media. Any
3 address disclosed pursuant to this subsection may not be further
4 disseminated by the recipient. Immediately upon receiving a request
5 for a report filed under this section, the agency receiving the
6 request shall notify all candidates whose information is included in
7 such a report. The notice must include the name of the requester and
8 the requester's associated news media. The requirement to provide
9 notice under this subsection may not delay the production of records
10 in response to a public records request; or

11 (C) Upon request of the public disclosure commission for the
12 purpose of carrying out its official duties;

13 (b) A place for the candidate to indicate the candidate's consent
14 for the disclosure of the candidate's address provided on the
15 declaration;

16 (c) A place for the candidate to indicate the position for which
17 he or she is filing;

18 ~~((3))~~ (d) A place for the candidate to state a party
19 preference, if the office is a partisan office;

20 ~~((4))~~ (e) A place for the candidate to indicate the amount of
21 the filing fee accompanying the declaration of candidacy or for the
22 candidate to indicate that he or she is filing a filing fee petition
23 in lieu of the filing fee under RCW 29A.24.091;

24 ~~((5))~~ (f)(i) A place for the candidate to sign the declaration
25 of candidacy under oath, ~~((stating))~~ swearing or affirming that the
26 information provided on the form is true, acknowledging that
27 knowingly providing a false statement on the declaration of candidacy
28 constitutes a crime under RCW 9A.72.040, and swearing or affirming
29 that he or she will support the Constitution and laws of the United
30 States and the Constitution and laws of the state of Washington~~((-))~~;

31 (ii) In the case of a declaration of candidacy filed
32 electronically, the filer shall be notified before submission that
33 submission of the form constitutes ~~((agreement))~~ a sworn statement or
34 affirmation under oath that the information provided with the filing
35 is true, that the filer acknowledges that knowingly providing a false
36 statement on the declaration of candidacy constitutes a crime in RCW
37 9A.72.040, and that he or she will support the Constitutions and laws
38 of the United States and the state of Washington, and that he or she
39 agrees to electronic payment of the filing fee established in RCW
40 29A.24.091~~((-))~~; and

1 (g) The secretary of state may require any other information on
2 the form he or she deems appropriate to facilitate the filing
3 process.

4 (2) Any individual may submit a complaint to the secretary of
5 state or county auditor with whom the candidate filed the candidate's
6 declaration if the individual believes that a candidate provided an
7 address on the declaration of candidacy that is not the address at
8 which the candidate is registered. The secretary of state or county
9 auditor shall, within 24 hours of receiving such complaint, request
10 supporting documentation as specified by the secretary of state by
11 rule, from the candidate that shows the candidate's residential
12 address. Within five days of the complaint, the secretary of state or
13 county auditor shall issue a determination either affirming or
14 rejecting the allegation in the complaint. Any supporting document
15 provided under this subsection must be made available for public
16 inspection, but the secretary of state or county auditor shall first
17 redact the residential address of the candidate.

18 (3) For purposes of this section:

19 (a) "Dwelling unit" has the same meaning as in RCW 29B.05.030.

20 (b) "Residence" means the primary residential real property used
21 exclusively as a personal dwelling unit by the candidate.

22 (c) "Residential address" means the physical address of a
23 residence used by the candidate.

24 **Sec. 12.** RCW 29A.08.710 and 2023 c 466 s 27 and 2023 c 361 s 7
25 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

26 (1) The county auditor shall have custody of the original voter
27 registration records and voter registration sign up records for each
28 county. The original voter registration form must be filed without
29 regard to precinct and is considered confidential and unavailable for
30 public inspection and copying. An automated file of all registered
31 voters must be maintained pursuant to RCW 29A.08.125. An auditor may
32 maintain the automated file in lieu of filing or maintaining the
33 original voter registration forms if the automated file includes all
34 of the information from the original voter registration forms
35 including, but not limited to, a retrievable facsimile of each
36 voter's signature.

37 (2) (a) The following information contained in voter registration
38 records or files regarding a voter or a group of voters is available
39 for public inspection and copying, except as provided in RCW

1 40.24.060 and (b) of this subsection: The voter's name, address,
2 political jurisdiction, gender, year of birth, voting record, date of
3 registration, and registration number. No other information from
4 voter registration records or files is available for public
5 inspection or copying.

6 (b) (i) Disclosure of information on individuals under the age of
7 18 is subject to RCW 29A.08.725.

8 (ii) The address of an elected official, election official, a
9 criminal justice participant, and that of any person sharing the same
10 voter registration address as the elected official, election
11 official, or criminal justice participant is confidential and may not
12 be disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW, except as provided under
13 (b) (iii) of this subsection.

14 (iii) The address at which the elected official, election
15 official, or criminal justice participant is registered may be
16 disclosed:

17 (A) Upon receipt of the express written consent of the elected
18 official, election official, or criminal justice participant to
19 disclose their residential address; or

20 (B) To the news media, as defined in RCW 5.68.010, in response to
21 a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW from the news media.
22 The requester must include in the request for public records the
23 requester's legal name and the requester's associated news media. Any
24 address disclosed pursuant to this subsection may not be further
25 disseminated by the recipient. Immediately upon receiving a request
26 for the voter registration address of an elected official, the agency
27 receiving the request shall notify the elected official of the
28 request. The notice must include the name of the requester and the
29 requester's associated news media. The requirement to provide notice
30 under this subsection may not delay the production of records in
31 response to a public records request.

32 (iv) For purposes of this subsection (2) (b):

33 (A) "Criminal justice participant" has the same meaning as in RCW
34 65.04.140.

35 (B) "Elected official" has the same meaning as in RCW 29B.10.180.

36 **Sec. 13.** RCW 65.04.140 and 2021 c 122 s 7 are each amended to
37 read as follows:

38 (1) The county auditor in his or her capacity of recorder of
39 deeds is sole custodian of all books in which are recorded deeds,

1 mortgages, judgments, liens, incumbrances, and other instruments of
2 writing, indexes thereto, maps, charts, town plats, survey and other
3 books and papers constituting the records and files in said office of
4 recorder of deeds, and except as provided in subsections (2) and (3)
5 of this section, all such records and files are, and shall be,
6 matters of public information, free of charge to any and all persons
7 demanding to inspect or to examine the same, or to search the same
8 for titles of property. It is said recorder's duty to arrange in
9 suitable places the indexes of said books of record, and when
10 practicable, the record books themselves, to the end that the same
11 may be accessible to the public and convenient for said public
12 inspection, examination, and search, and not interfere with the said
13 auditor's personal control and responsibility for the same, or
14 prevent him or her from promptly furnishing the said records and
15 files of his or her said office to persons demanding any information
16 from the same. The said auditor or recorder (~~must and~~) shall, upon
17 demand, and without charge, freely permit any and all persons, during
18 reasonable office hours, to inspect, examine, and search any or all
19 of the records and files of his or her said office, and to gather any
20 information therefrom, and to make any desired notes or memoranda
21 about or concerning the same, and to prepare an abstract or abstracts
22 of title to any and all property therein contained. The county
23 auditor has fulfilled this obligation regarding those records that
24 can be accessed by the public on the county auditor's website.

25 (2) (a) A criminal justice participant, elected official, election
26 official, or any person who resides with such an individual, named in
27 a record described under subsection (1) of this section, may submit a
28 written request for nondisclosure to the auditor or recorder
29 requesting that the person's residential address and the associated
30 parcel number be redacted in any publicly available record described
31 under subsection (1) of this section. The request must be in the form
32 required by the auditor or recorder and signed under penalty of
33 perjury attesting that the person making the request is a criminal
34 justice participant, elected official, election official, or a person
35 residing with such an individual, and named in a record described
36 under subsection (1) of this section. The residential address
37 provided in the form is confidential and may not be disclosed under
38 chapter 42.56 RCW if the request is granted pursuant to (b) of this
39 subsection.

1 (b) Within 60 days of receiving a written request for
2 nondisclosure in accordance with (a) of this subsection, the auditor
3 or recorder shall grant or deny the request. A request must be
4 granted if the requester meets the requirements under (a) of this
5 subsection. If the request is granted, the residential address and
6 associated parcel number of a criminal justice participant, elected
7 official, election official, or a person residing with such an
8 individual, is confidential and may not be made available for public
9 inspection or otherwise disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW, except as
10 provided under subsection (3) of this section. The auditor or
11 recorder shall, within 60 days from the date the request is granted,
12 redact the residential address of the requester from any public
13 record described in subsection (1) of this section and any written
14 requests for nondisclosure. Redactions must be made in a manner that
15 does not permanently alter the original record.

16 (c) Within 30 days of granting the written request for
17 nondisclosure, the auditor or recorder shall notify the county
18 assessor and state archivist of the auditor's or recorder's decision.
19 The county assessor and state archivist shall comply with redaction
20 requirements set forth under RCW 84.40.020, 84.40.160, and 40.14.030.

21 (d) The auditor or recorder may charge a reasonable fee to a
22 person requesting to redact the person's residential addresses
23 pursuant to this section. Upon affidavit by the person submitting the
24 written request for nondisclosure that the person is unable to pay
25 the fees due to financial hardship, the auditor or recorder shall
26 waive all fees.

27 (3) The residential address and associated parcel number of an
28 individual described under subsection (2) of this section may be
29 disclosed as follows:

30 (a) Upon receipt of the express written consent of the criminal
31 justice participant, elected official, election official, or any
32 person residing with such an individual, who initially made the
33 written request for nondisclosure under subsection (2) of this
34 section; or

35 (b) To the news media, as defined in RCW 5.68.010, in response to
36 a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW from the news media.
37 At the time of their request, the requester shall disclose to the
38 auditor or recorder the requester's legal name and the requester's
39 associated news media. Any address disclosed pursuant to this
40 subsection may not be further disseminated by the recipient.

1 Immediately upon receiving a request for a record described under
2 subsection (1) of this section, the auditor or recorder shall notify
3 the individuals described under subsection (2) of this section whose
4 address is the subject of such record. The notice must include the
5 name of the requester and the requester's associated news media. The
6 requirement to provide notice under this subsection may not delay the
7 production of records in response to a public records request.

8 (4) A person whose written request for nondisclosure is granted
9 shall notify the auditor or recorder in a timely manner when the
10 person is no longer covered under subsection (2) of this section.
11 Upon receiving such notice, the auditor or recorder shall, within 30
12 days, notify the county assessor and state archivist and remove the
13 redactions accordingly.

14 (5) Any residential address contained in a notice provided to the
15 county assessor or state archivist pursuant to this section is
16 confidential and may not be disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW or
17 otherwise subject to public inspection.

18 (6) For purposes of this section:

19 (a) "Criminal justice participant" means a current or former
20 federal, state, or local prosecuting attorney; deputy prosecuting
21 attorney or other staff member of a prosecution agency; federal,
22 state, county, or municipal judge, magistrate, or commissioner;
23 federal, state, or local law enforcement agency staff member; staff
24 member of any adult corrections institution or local adult detention
25 facility; staff member of any juvenile corrections institution or
26 local juvenile detention facility; community corrections officer or
27 probation or parole officer; member of the indeterminate sentence
28 review board; advocate from a crime victim/witness program; or
29 criminal defense attorney employed by a public defense agency.

30 (b) "Dwelling unit" has the same meaning as in RCW 29B.05.030.

31 (c) "Elected official" has the same meaning as in RCW 29B.10.180.

32 (d) "Election official" has the same meaning as described in RCW
33 9A.46.020.

34 (e) "Residence" means the primary residential real property used
35 exclusively as a personal dwelling unit by the criminal justice
36 participant, elected official, election official, or any person who
37 resides with such an individual, named in a record described under
38 subsection (1) of this section.

39 (f) "Residential address" means the physical address of a
40 residence used by the criminal justice participant, elected official,

1 election official, or any person who resides with such an individual,
2 named in a record described under subsection (1) of this section.

3 **Sec. 14.** RCW 84.40.020 and 2005 c 274 s 364 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1)(a) All real property in this state subject to taxation shall
6 be listed and assessed every year, with reference to its value on the
7 first day of January of the year in which it is assessed. Such
8 listing and all supporting documents and records shall be open to
9 public inspection during the regular office hours of the assessor's
10 office: PROVIDED, That confidential income data is hereby exempted
11 from public inspection as noted in RCW 42.56.070 and ((42.56.210))
12 42.56.230, and except as provided under (c) of this subsection, the
13 residential address and associated parcel number of the residence of
14 a criminal justice participant, elected official, election official,
15 or any person residing with such an individual, contained in records
16 described under this section or RCW 65.04.140 is confidential and may
17 not be disclosed under chapter 42.56 RCW or otherwise subject to
18 public inspection upon notice provided by the county auditor or
19 recorder in accordance with RCW 65.04.140 of the county auditor's or
20 recorder's decision to grant a written request for nondisclosure.
21 Within 60 days of receiving such notice, the county assessor shall
22 redact the residential address of a criminal justice participant,
23 elected official, election official, or person residing with such an
24 individual, contained in any publicly available record described
25 under this subsection. Redactions must be made in a manner that does
26 not permanently alter the original record. The county assessor may
27 charge a reasonable fee to a person requesting to redact the person's
28 residential addresses pursuant to this section. Upon affidavit by the
29 person submitting the request for nondisclosure that the person is
30 unable to pay the fees due to financial hardship, the county assessor
31 shall waive all fees.

32 (b) Within 30 days of receiving a notice from the county auditor
33 or recorder in accordance with RCW 65.04.140 that a person whose
34 residential address has been redacted pursuant to this subsection is
35 no longer qualified to receive such redaction, the county assessor
36 shall remove all redactions accordingly.

37 (c) The residential address of a criminal justice participant,
38 elected official, election official, or any person residing with such
39 an individual, may be disclosed as follows:

1 (i) Upon receipt of the express written consent of a criminal
2 justice participant, elected official, election official, or person
3 residing with such an individual, who initially made the written
4 request for nondisclosure under RCW 65.04.140; or

5 (ii) To the news media, as defined in RCW 5.68.010, in response
6 to a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW from the news
7 media. At the time of the request, the requester shall disclose to
8 the county assessor the requester's legal name and the requester's
9 associated news media. Any address disclosed pursuant to this
10 subsection may not be further disseminated by the recipient.
11 Immediately upon receiving a request for a record described under
12 subsection (1) of this section, the county assessor shall notify the
13 criminal justice participant, elected official, election official, or
14 person residing with such an individual whose address is the subject
15 of such record. The notice must include the name of the requester and
16 the requester's associated news media. The requirement to provide
17 notice under this subsection may not delay the production of records
18 in response to a public records request.

19 (d) For purposes of this section:

20 (i) "Criminal justice participant" has the same meaning as in RCW
21 65.04.140.

22 (ii) "Elected official" has the same meaning as in RCW
23 29B.10.180.

24 (iii) "Election official" has the same meaning as described in
25 RCW 9A.46.020.

26 (iv) "Residential address" has the same meaning as in RCW
27 65.04.140.

28 (2) All personal property in this state subject to taxation shall
29 be listed and assessed every year, with reference to its value and
30 ownership on the first day of January of the year in which it is
31 assessed: PROVIDED, That if the stock of goods, wares, merchandise or
32 material, whether in a raw or finished state or in process of
33 manufacture, owned or held by any taxpayer on January 1st of any year
34 does not fairly represent the average stock carried by such taxpayer,
35 such stock shall be listed and assessed upon the basis of the monthly
36 average of stock owned or held by such taxpayer during the preceding
37 calendar year or during such portion thereof as the taxpayer was
38 engaged in business.

1 **Sec. 15.** RCW 84.40.160 and 2013 c 23 s 359 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

3 ((The)) (1) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section,
4 the assessor shall list all real property according to the largest
5 legal subdivision as near as practicable. The assessor shall make out
6 in the plat and description book in numerical order a complete list
7 of all lands or lots subject to taxation, showing the names and
8 owners, if to him or her known and if unknown, so stated; the number
9 of acres and lots or parts of lots included in each description of
10 property and the value per acre or lot: PROVIDED, That the assessor
11 shall give to each tract of land where described by metes and bounds
12 a number, to be designated as Tax No., which said number
13 shall be placed on the tax rolls to indicate that certain piece of
14 real property bearing such number, and described by metes and bounds
15 in the plat and description book herein mentioned, and it shall not
16 be necessary to enter a description by metes and bounds on the tax
17 roll of the county, and the assessor's plat and description book
18 shall be kept as a part of the tax collector's records: AND PROVIDED,
19 FURTHER, That the board of county commissioners of any county may by
20 order direct that the property be listed numerically according to
21 lots and blocks or section, township and range, in the smallest
22 platted or government subdivision, and when so listed the value of
23 each block, lot or tract, the value of the improvements thereon and
24 the total value thereof, including improvements thereon, shall be
25 extended after the description of each lot, block or tract, which
26 last extension shall be in the column headed "Total value of each
27 tract, lot or block of land assessed with improvements as returned by
28 the assessor." In carrying the values of said property into the
29 column representing the equalized value thereof, the county assessor
30 shall include and carry over in one item the equalized valuation of
31 all lots in one block, or land in one section, listed consecutively,
32 which belong to any one person, firm, or corporation, and are
33 situated within the same taxing district, and in the assessed value
34 of which the county board of equalization has made no change. Where
35 assessed valuations are changed, the equalized valuation must be
36 extended and shown by item.

37 (2) The assessor shall prepare and possess a complete set of maps
38 drawn to indicate parcel configuration for lands in the county. The
39 assessor shall continually update the maps to reflect transfers,
40 conveyances, acquisitions, or any other transaction or event that

1 changes the boundaries of any parcel and shall renumber the parcels
2 or prepare new map pages for any portion of the maps to show
3 combinations or divisions of parcels.

4 (3) (a) The name of a criminal justice participant, elected
5 official, election official, or any person residing with such
6 individual, contained in records described under this section or
7 supporting documents used to create such records is confidential and
8 may not be made available for public inspection or disclosed under
9 chapter 42.56 RCW upon notice provided by the county auditor or
10 recorder in accordance with RCW 65.04.140 of the county auditor's or
11 recorder's decision to grant a written request for nondisclosure.
12 Within 30 days of such notice, the county assessor shall redact the
13 name of a criminal justice participant, elected official, election
14 official, or person residing with such individual contained in any
15 publicly available record described under this section. Redactions
16 must be made in a manner that does not permanently alter the original
17 record. The county assessor may charge a reasonable fee to a person
18 requesting to redact the person's name pursuant to this section. Upon
19 affidavit by the person submitting the request for nondisclosure that
20 the person is unable to pay the fees due to financial hardship, the
21 county assessor shall waive all fees.

22 (b) The name of a criminal justice participant, elected official,
23 election official, or person residing with such an individual, may be
24 disclosed as follows:

25 (i) Upon receipt of the express written consent of a criminal
26 justice participant, elected official, election official, or person
27 residing with such an individual, who initially made the written
28 request for nondisclosure under RCW 65.04.140; or

29 (ii) To the news media, as defined in RCW 5.68.010, in response
30 to a public records request under chapter 42.56 RCW from the news
31 media. At the time of their request, the requester shall disclose to
32 the county assessor the requester's legal name and the requester's
33 associated news media. Any name disclosed pursuant to this subsection
34 may not be further disseminated by the recipient. Immediately upon
35 receiving a request for a record described under subsection (1) of
36 this section, the county assessor shall notify the criminal justice
37 participant, elected official, election official, or a person who
38 resides with such an individual who is the subject of such record.
39 The notice must include the name of the requester and the requester's
40 associated news media. The requirement to provide notice under this

1 subsection may not delay the production of records in response to a
2 public records request.

3 (c) Within 30 days of receiving a notice from the county auditor
4 or recorder in accordance with RCW 65.04.140 that a person whose name
5 has been redacted pursuant to this subsection is no longer qualified
6 to receive such redaction, the county assessor shall remove all
7 redactions accordingly.

8 (d) For purposes of this subsection (3), the terms "criminal
9 justice participant," "elected official," and "election official"
10 have the same meanings as in RCW 84.40.020.

11 **Sec. 16.** RCW 40.14.030 and 2011 c 336 s 817 are each amended to
12 read as follows:

13 (1) All public records, not required in the current operation of
14 the office where they are made or kept, and all records of every
15 agency, commission, committee, or any other activity of state
16 government which may be abolished or discontinued, shall be
17 transferred to the state archives so that the valuable historical
18 records of the state may be centralized, made more widely available,
19 and insured permanent preservation: PROVIDED, That this section shall
20 have no application to public records approved for destruction under
21 the subsequent provisions of this chapter.

22 When so transferred, copies of the public records concerned shall
23 be made and certified by the archivist, which certification shall
24 have the same force and effect as though made by the officer
25 originally in charge of them. Fees may be charged to cover the cost
26 of reproduction. In turning over the archives of his or her office,
27 the officer in charge thereof, or his or her successor, thereby loses
28 none of his or her rights of access to them, without charge, whenever
29 necessary.

30 (2) Records that are confidential, privileged, or exempt from
31 public disclosure under state or federal law while in the possession
32 of the originating agency, commission, board, committee, or other
33 entity of state or local government retain their confidential,
34 privileged, or exempt status after transfer to the state archives or
35 when otherwise in the possession of the state archives unless the
36 archivist, with the concurrence of the originating jurisdiction,
37 determines that the records must be made accessible to the public
38 according to proper and reasonable rules adopted by the secretary of
39 state, in which case the records may be open to inspection and

1 available for copying after the expiration of (~~seventy-five~~) 75
2 years from creation of the record. If the originating jurisdiction is
3 no longer in existence, the archivist shall make the determination of
4 availability according to such rules. If, while in the possession of
5 the originating agency, commission, board, committee, or other
6 entity, any record is determined to be confidential, privileged, or
7 exempt from public disclosure under state or federal law for a period
8 of less than (~~seventy-five~~) 75 years, then the record, with the
9 concurrence of the originating jurisdiction, must be made accessible
10 to the public upon the expiration of the shorter period of time
11 according to proper and reasonable rules adopted by the secretary of
12 state.

13 **Sec. 17.** RCW 4.24.680 and 2006 c 355 s 2 are each amended to
14 read as follows:

15 (1) A person shall not knowingly make available on the world wide
16 web the personal information of a peace officer, corrections person,
17 justice, judge, commissioner, public defender, or prosecutor if the
18 dissemination of the personal information poses an imminent and
19 serious threat to the peace officer's, corrections person's,
20 justice's, judge's, commissioner's, public defender's, or
21 prosecutor's safety or the safety of that person's immediate family
22 and the threat is reasonably apparent to the person making the
23 information available on the world wide web to be serious and
24 imminent.

25 (2) It is not a violation of this section if an employee of a
26 county auditor (~~(or)~~), county assessor, public disclosure commission,
27 or state archivist publishes personal information, in good faith, on
28 the website of the county auditor (~~(or)~~), county assessor, public
29 disclosure commission, or state archivist in the ordinary course of
30 carrying out public functions, except where such publication is in
31 violation of this act.

32 (3) For the purposes of this section:

33 (a) "Commissioner" means a commissioner of the superior court,
34 court of appeals, or supreme court.

35 (b) "Corrections person" means any employee or volunteer who by
36 state, county, municipal, or combination thereof, statute has the
37 responsibility for the confinement, care, management, training,
38 treatment, education, supervision, or counseling of those whose civil
39 rights have been limited in some way by legal sanction.

1 (c) "Immediate family" means a peace officer's, corrections
2 person's, justice's, judge's, commissioner's, public defender's, or
3 prosecutor's spouse, child, or parent and any other adult who lives
4 in the same residence as the person.

5 (d) "Judge" means a judge of the United States district court,
6 the United States court of appeals, the United States magistrate, the
7 United States bankruptcy court, and the Washington court of appeals,
8 superior court, district court, or municipal court.

9 (e) "Justice" means a justice of the United States supreme court
10 or Washington supreme court.

11 (f) "Personal information" means a peace officer's, corrections
12 person's, justice's, judge's, commissioner's, public defender's, or
13 prosecutor's home address, home telephone number, pager number,
14 social security number, home email address, directions to the
15 person's home, or photographs of the person's home or vehicle.

16 (g) "Prosecutor" means a county prosecuting attorney, a city
17 attorney, the attorney general, or a United States attorney and their
18 assistants or deputies.

19 (h) "Public defender" means a federal public defender, or other
20 public defender, and his or her assistants or deputies.

21 **Sec. 18.** RCW 29B.40.090 and 2024 c 164 s 451 are each amended to
22 read as follows:

23 (1) The surplus funds of a candidate or a candidate's authorized
24 committee may only be disposed of in any one or more of the following
25 ways:

26 ~~((1))~~ (a) Return the surplus to a contributor in an amount not
27 to exceed that contributor's original contribution;

28 ~~((2))~~ (b) Using surplus, reimburse the candidate for lost
29 earnings incurred as a result of that candidate's election campaign.
30 Lost earnings shall be verifiable as unpaid salary or, when the
31 candidate is not salaried, as an amount not to exceed income received
32 by the candidate for services rendered during an appropriate,
33 corresponding time period. All lost earnings incurred shall be
34 documented and a record thereof shall be maintained by the candidate
35 or the candidate's authorized committee. The committee shall maintain
36 a copy of this record in accordance with RCW 29B.25.090(6);

37 ~~((3))~~ (c) Transfer the surplus without limit to a political
38 party or to a caucus political committee;

1 ~~((4))~~ (d) Donate the surplus to a charitable organization
2 registered in accordance with chapter 19.09 RCW;

3 ~~((5))~~ (e) Transmit the surplus to the state treasurer for
4 deposit in the general fund, the Washington state legacy project,
5 state library, and archives account under RCW 43.07.380, or the
6 legislative international trade account under RCW 43.15.050, as
7 specified by the candidate or political committee; or

8 ~~((6))~~ (f) Hold the surplus in the depository or depositories
9 designated in accordance with RCW 29B.25.050 for possible use in a
10 future election campaign for the same office last sought by the
11 candidate and report any such disposition in accordance with RCW
12 29B.25.100. If the candidate subsequently announces or publicly files
13 for office, the appropriate information must be reported to the
14 commission in accordance with RCW 29B.25.020 through 29B.25.100. If a
15 subsequent office is not sought the surplus held shall be disposed of
16 in accordance with the requirements of this section.

17 ~~((7))~~ (g)(i) Hold the surplus campaign funds in a separate
18 account for nonreimbursed public office-related expenses or as
19 provided in this section, and report any such disposition in
20 accordance with RCW 29B.25.100. The separate account required under
21 this subsection shall not be used for deposits of campaign funds that
22 are not surplus.

23 For the purposes of this subsection, a public office-related
24 expense includes, but is not limited to, direct out-of-pocket
25 expenses made by the candidate or elected official for personal
26 security measures, as defined in section 4 of this act, that are
27 necessary to address dangers or threats that would not exist but for
28 the individual's status as a candidate or elected official, provided
29 that the personal security measure is reasonably proportional in
30 scope to the level of danger or threat that exists for the candidate
31 or elected official. Surplus campaign funds may not be used to
32 reimburse a candidate or elected official for payments made to the
33 individual's spouse or registered domestic partner, child, parent,
34 grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, parent-in-law, brother-in-
35 law, sister-in-law, nephew, niece, aunt, uncle, first cousin, or the
36 spouse of any such persons, or an entity in which any person
37 described in this subsection has a personal beneficial interest.

38 (ii) Disbursements for personal security measures must be for the
39 usual and normal charge for such goods or services. "Usual and normal
40 charge" means, in the case of goods, the price of those goods in the

1 market in which they are ordinarily purchased and, in the case of
2 services, the hourly or piecework charge for the services at a
3 commercially reasonable rate prevailing at the time the services were
4 rendered.

5 ~~((+8))~~ (2) No candidate or authorized committee may transfer
6 funds to any other candidate or other political committee.

7 (3) The disposal of surplus funds under this section shall not be
8 considered a contribution for purposes of this title.

9 **Sec. 19.** RCW 29B.40.130 and 2024 c 164 s 455 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 Contributions received and reported in accordance with RCW
12 29B.25.060 through 29B.25.100 and 29B.40.080 may only be paid to a
13 candidate, or a treasurer or other individual or expended for such
14 individual's personal use under the following circumstances:

15 (1) Reimbursement for or payments to cover lost earnings incurred
16 as a result of campaigning or services performed for the political
17 committee. Lost earnings shall be verifiable as unpaid salary, or
18 when the individual is not salaried, as an amount not to exceed
19 income received by the individual for services rendered during an
20 appropriate, corresponding time period. All lost earnings incurred
21 shall be documented and a record shall be maintained by the candidate
22 or the candidate's authorized committee in accordance with RCW
23 29B.25.090.

24 (2) Reimbursement for direct out-of-pocket election campaign and
25 postelection campaign related expenses made by the individual. For
26 example, expenses for child care or other direct caregiving
27 responsibilities may be reimbursed if they are incurred directly as a
28 result of the candidate's campaign activities. To receive
29 reimbursement from the political committee, the individual shall
30 provide the political committee with written documentation as to the
31 amount, date, and description of each expense, and the political
32 committee shall include a copy of such information when its
33 expenditure for such reimbursement is reported pursuant to RCW
34 29B.25.100.

35 (3) Repayment of loans made by the individual to political
36 committees shall be reported pursuant to RCW 29B.25.100. However,
37 contributions may not be used to reimburse a candidate for loans
38 totaling more than four thousand seven hundred dollars made by the
39 candidate to the candidate's own authorized committee.

1 (4) (a) Reimbursement for direct out-of-pocket expenses made by a
2 candidate or an elected official for personal security measures, as
3 defined in section 4 of this act, that are necessary to address
4 dangers or threats that would not exist but for the individual's
5 status or duties as a candidate or an elected official, provided that
6 the personal security measure is reasonably proportional in scope to
7 the level of danger or threat that exists for the candidate or
8 elected official. Campaign funds may not be used to reimburse a
9 candidate or an elected official for payments made to the
10 individual's spouse or registered domestic partner, child, parent,
11 grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, parent-in-law, brother-in-
12 law, sister-in-law, nephew, niece, aunt, uncle, or first cousin, or
13 the spouse of any such person, or an entity in which any person
14 described in this subsection has a personal beneficial interest.

15 (b) Disbursements for personal security measures must be for the
16 usual and normal charge for such goods or services. "Usual and normal
17 charge" means, in the case of goods, the price of those goods in the
18 market in which they are ordinarily purchased and, in the case of
19 services, the hourly or piecework charge for the services at a
20 commercially reasonable rate prevailing at the time the services were
21 rendered.

22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 20. (1) A legislator may use the legislator's
23 member business expense account to pay for personal security
24 measures, as defined in section 4 of this act, that are necessary to
25 address dangers or threats that would not exist but for the
26 individual's status as a legislator. Funds from the legislator's
27 member business expense account may not be used to make a payment to
28 the legislator's spouse or registered domestic partner, child,
29 parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, parent-in-law,
30 brother-in-law, sister-in-law, nephew, niece, aunt, uncle, first
31 cousin, or the spouse of any such person, or an entity in which any
32 person described in this subsection has a personal beneficial
33 interest.

34 (2) Expenditures for personal security measures must be for the
35 usual and normal charge for such goods or services. "Usual and normal
36 charge" means, in the case of goods, the price of those goods in the
37 market in which they are ordinarily purchased and, in the case of
38 services, the hourly or piecework charge for the services at a

1 commercially reasonable rate prevailing at the time the services were
2 rendered.

3 (3) Upon a legislator leaving office, any personal security
4 measure purchased using funds from the legislator's member business
5 expense account must be amortized and the legislator shall reimburse
6 the account the amount of the residual value of the asset.

7 (4)(a) As applied to public records requests of a legislator's
8 office, audio recordings, video recordings, or photographs created by
9 a security recording device that qualifies as a personal security
10 measure as defined in section 4 of this act and is purchased using
11 funds from the legislator's member business expense account, are not
12 public records within the meaning of RCW 42.56.010 because they do
13 not contain information relating to the conduct of government or the
14 performance of any governmental or proprietary function, and are
15 therefore not subject to chapter 42.56 RCW. Such audio recordings,
16 video recordings, or photographs provided by the legislator to
17 another agency, although meeting the definition of public record
18 under RCW 42.56.010 unless otherwise provided by law, are
19 confidential and not subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

20 (b) Records other than those described in (a) of this subsection
21 that are created by a personal security measure purchased using funds
22 from the legislator's member business expense account are
23 confidential and not subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

24 (c) The residential address of a legislator included in any
25 reimbursement form and supporting documents submitted with such form,
26 or on an invoice for a personal security measure purchased using
27 funds from the legislator's member business expense account is
28 confidential and not subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

29 (d) For purposes of this subsection, "residential address" has
30 the same meaning as in RCW 29B.05.030.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 21.** (1) The legislative member security
32 account is created in the custody of the state treasurer.
33 Expenditures from the account may only be used in a manner consistent
34 with subsection (2) of this section. All receipts from funds received
35 from legislative appropriation and from reimbursements pursuant to
36 subsection (3) of this section must be deposited in the account. Only
37 the secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house, or
38 their designee, may authorize expenditures from the account. The
39 account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW,

1 but an appropriation is not required for expenditures. Expenditures
2 from the account must be apportioned between the senate and house of
3 representatives based on the number of legislators in each chamber.

4 (2) (a) Expenditures from the account may only be used to pay for
5 personal security measures, as defined in section 4 of this act, that
6 are necessary to address dangers or threats that would not exist but
7 for the individual's status as a legislator. Funds from the account
8 may not be used to make a payment to the legislator's spouse or
9 registered domestic partner, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild,
10 brother, sister, parent-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law,
11 nephew, niece, aunt, uncle, first cousin, or the spouse of any such
12 person, or an entity in which any person described in this subsection
13 has a personal beneficial interest.

14 (b) Expenditures for personal security measures must be for the
15 usual and normal charge for such goods or services. "Usual and normal
16 charge" means, in the case of goods, the price of those goods in the
17 market in which they are ordinarily purchased and, in the case of
18 services, the hourly or piecework charge for the services at a
19 commercially reasonable rate prevailing at the time the services were
20 rendered.

21 (3) Upon a legislator leaving office, any personal security
22 measure purchased using funds from the account created under this
23 section must be amortized and the legislator shall reimburse the
24 account the amount of the residual value of the asset.

25 (4) (a) As applied to public records requests of a legislator's
26 office, audio recordings, video recordings, or photographs created by
27 a security recording device that qualifies as a personal security
28 measure, as defined in section 4 of this act, and is purchased using
29 funds from the legislative member security account, are not public
30 records within the meaning of RCW 42.56.010 because they do not
31 contain information relating to the conduct of government or the
32 performance of any governmental or proprietary function, and are
33 therefore not subject to chapter 42.56 RCW. Such audio recordings,
34 video recordings, or photographs provided by the legislator to
35 another agency, although meeting the definition of public record
36 under RCW 42.56.010 unless otherwise provided by law, are
37 confidential and not subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

38 (b) Records other than those described in (a) of this subsection
39 that are created by a personal security measure purchased using funds

1 from the legislative member security account are confidential and not
2 subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

3 (c) The residential address of a legislator included in any
4 reimbursement form and supporting documents submitted with such form,
5 or on an invoice for a personal security measure purchased using
6 funds from the legislative member security account is confidential
7 and not subject to disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

8 (d) For purposes of this subsection, "residential address" has
9 the same meaning as in RCW 29B.05.030.

10 **Sec. 22.** RCW 42.52.160 and 2025 c 377 s 11 are each amended to
11 read as follows:

12 (1) No state officer or state employee may employ or use any
13 person, money, or property under the officer's or employee's official
14 control or direction, or in his or her official custody, for the
15 private benefit or gain of the officer, employee, or another.

16 (2) This section does not prohibit the use of public resources to
17 benefit others as part of a state officer's or state employee's
18 official duties. It is not a violation of this section for a
19 legislator or employees under the jurisdiction of the legislative
20 ethics board to engage in activities listed under RCW 42.52.822 or
21 42.52.175.

22 (3) This section does not prohibit de minimis use of state
23 facilities to provide employees with information about (a) medical,
24 surgical, and hospital care; (b) life insurance or accident and
25 health disability insurance; or (c) individual retirement accounts,
26 by any person, firm, or corporation administering such program as
27 part of authorized payroll deductions pursuant to RCW 41.04.020.

28 (4) The appropriate ethics boards may adopt rules providing
29 exceptions to this section for occasional use of the state officer or
30 state employee, of de minimis cost and value, if the activity does
31 not result in interference with the proper performance of official
32 duties.

33 (5) This section does not apply to activities conducted by
34 legislative employees authorized under RCW 44.90.110.

35 (6) This section does not prohibit a legislator from using public
36 funds as authorized under sections 20 and 21 of this act to pay for
37 personal security measures, defined in section 4 of this act,
38 provided that upon a legislator leaving office, any personal security
39 measure purchased with public funds must be amortized and the

1 legislator shall reimburse the appropriate account the amount of the
2 residual value of the asset. Failure to reimburse constitutes a
3 violation of subsection (1) of this section.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 23.** A new section is added to chapter 42.56
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) The following information is confidential and may not be
7 disclosed under this chapter:

8 (a) The residential address and, for financial affairs
9 statements, the associated parcel number, of an elected official and
10 the same residential address of any person residing with the elected
11 official contained in books of account and reports filed with the
12 public disclosure commission is exempt in accordance with RCW
13 29B.05.030, 29B.25.090, 29B.40.180, and 29B.55.030, and section 7 of
14 this act.

15 (b) The residential address and associated parcel number of an
16 executive state officer contained in a statement of financial affairs
17 filed with the public disclosure commission is exempt in accordance
18 with RCW 29B.55.030.

19 (c) The residential address of a candidate provided on a
20 declaration of candidacy is exempt pursuant to RCW 29A.24.031.

21 (d) The voter registration address of an elected official, a
22 criminal justice participant, and that of any person sharing the same
23 voter registration address as such person is exempt in accordance
24 with RCW 29A.08.710.

25 (e) The residential address and associated parcel number of an
26 elected official, election official, criminal justice participant,
27 and the same residential address of any person residing with such
28 person, named in real property records maintained by the county
29 auditor or recorder is exempt in accordance with RCW 65.04.140.

30 (f) The residential address and associated parcel number of an
31 elected official, election official, criminal justice participant,
32 and the same residential address of any person residing with such
33 person, contained in real property records maintained by the county
34 assessor is exempt in accordance with RCW 84.40.020. The name of
35 persons described under this subsection contained in real property
36 records maintained by the county assessor is exempt in accordance
37 with RCW 84.40.160.

38 (g) Audio recordings, video recordings, or photographs created by
39 a security recording device that qualifies as a personal security

1 measure under section 4 of this act, that a legislator provides to
2 another agency, and all other public records created by a personal
3 security measure are exempt in accordance with sections 4, 20, and 21
4 of this act.

5 (h) The residential address of a legislator included on any
6 reimbursement form and supporting documents submitted with such form,
7 or on an invoice for a personal security measure purchased using
8 funds from the legislator's member business expense account or the
9 legislative member security account is exempt in accordance with
10 sections 20 and 21 of this act.

11 (2) For purposes of this section:

12 (a) "Criminal justice participant" has the same meaning as in RCW
13 65.04.140.

14 (b) "Dwelling unit" has the same meaning as in RCW 29B.05.030.

15 (c) "Elected official" has the same meaning as in RCW 29B.10.180.

16 (d) "Election official" has the same meaning as described in RCW
17 9A.46.020.

18 (e) "Executive state officer" has the same meaning as in RCW
19 29B.55.020.

20 (f) "Personal security measure" has the same meaning as in
21 section 4 of this act.

22 (g) "Residence" means the primary residential real property used
23 exclusively as a personal dwelling unit by a person described under
24 this section.

25 (h) "Residential address" means the physical address of a
26 residence used by a person described under this section.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 24.** Sections 4, 20, and 21 of this act
28 constitute a new chapter in Title 44 RCW.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 25.** This act is necessary for the immediate
30 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
31 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
32 effect immediately.

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