

**WAC 183-08-015 Eligibility criteria.** (1) No state official, lobbyist, or public employee, or immediate family member of the state official, lobbyist, or public employee is eligible for membership on the commission.

Definitions:

(a) "Immediate family" means:

(i) The parents, spouse or domestic partner, siblings, children, or dependent relative of the state official or lobbyist whether or not they live in the home of the state official or lobbyist;

(ii) The parents, spouse or domestic partner, siblings, children, or dependent relative of the public employee who live in the home of the employee; and

(iii) Any person who is dependent, in whole or in part, for his or her support upon the earnings of a state employee.

(b) "Lobbyist" means any person required to be registered as a lobbyist in the state of Washington under the provisions of chapters 42.17 and 42.17A RCW.

(c) "Public employee" means any person who, at the time of selection, is an officer or employee of any governmental body or political subdivision located in the state of Washington including, but not limited to, the agencies of the federal, state, or county government or any other municipal corporation operating under federal or state law or local ordinance. Generally, this means any person whose salary is paid by public or tax dollars.

(d) "State official" means the elected officials in the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of Washington state government.

(2) Any person selected from a congressional district must be a registered voter and, at the time of selection, be eligible to vote in the congressional district from which he or she was selected.

(3) Any person selected jointly by the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate must be a resident of Washington and have had experience in personnel management.

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