#### SIXTY FOURTH LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### FORTY SEVENTH DAY

House Chamber, Olympia, Friday, February 26, 2016

The House was called to order at 9:55 a.m. by the Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding).

Reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was ordered to stand approved.

#### RESOLUTION

<u>HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4671,</u> by Representatives Blake, Tharinger, Rossetti, and Van De Wege

WHEREAS, The Review Club of Aberdeen is celebrating one hundred twenty-five years of existence; and

WHEREAS, The Review Club of Aberdeen was founded by fourteen pioneer women on March 3, 1891, "for the purpose of reading and discussing good books" with the hope of broadening their knowledge while helping to settle the Great Northwest; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Review Club of Aberdeen obtain knowledge through two monthly meetings featuring a short ten minute talk on any topic by one member and an hour long review of any book by another member; and

WHEREAS, There are currently seventeen members and an additional six lifetime members who have been involved in the organization for over twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, Margery Morrison, Gretchen Brennan, and Joyce Smith joined the club over forty-five years ago and are still actively participating today;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize and honor the Review Club of Aberdeen and its members' commitment to knowledge, education, and the benefits of reading and discussion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives congratulate the Review Club of Aberdeen, and wish what is believed to be the oldest women's cultural club in the state of Washington many more years of successful meetings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Review Club of Aberdeen.

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4671.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4671 was adopted.

#### RESOLUTION

# **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4672, by** Representative Klippert

WHEREAS, National Missing Children's Day was first observed in 1983, following a proclamation by President Ronald Reagan; and

WHEREAS, May 25, 2016, will be the 33rd National Missing Children's Day; and

WHEREAS, National Missing Children's Day honors our nation's obligation to locate and recover missing children by prompting parents, guardians, and other trusted adult role models to make child safety an utmost priority; and

WHEREAS, In the United States, nearly 800,000 children are reported missing each year, more than 58,000 children are abducted by nonfamily members each year, and more than 2,000 children are reported missing every day; and

WHEREAS, Congress' efforts to provide resources, training, and technical assistance has increased the capability of state and local law enforcement to find children and return them home safely; and

WHEREAS, The 1979 disappearance of 6 year old Etan Patz served as the impetus for the first proclamation of National Missing Children's Day in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Etan's photo was distributed nationwide and appeared in media globally, and the powerful image came to represent the anguish of thousands of searching families;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives support the observation of National Missing Children's Day and encourage all Americans to join together to plan events in communities across America to raise public awareness about the issue of missing children and the need to address this national problem; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize that one of the most important tools for law enforcement to use in the case of a missing child is an up-to-date, good quality photograph and urge all parents and guardians to take this important precaution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives acknowledge that National Missing

Children's Day should remind Americans not to forget the children who are still missing and not to waver in the effort to reunite them with their families.

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4672.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4672 was adopted.

#### RESOLUTION

# <u>HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4673</u>, by Representative Muri

WHEREAS, There is nothing on the planet quite as wonderful as a black and white giant panda, also known as *ailuropoda melanoleuca*; and

WHEREAS, Pandas are an endangered species and the rarest member of the bear family; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 1,800 wild pandas live in remote, mountainous regions in China, where they subsist on a bamboo diet; and

WHEREAS, There continue to be conservation efforts to protect pandas and improve panda habitat; and

WHEREAS, The first panda born in captivity was born in a Beijing zoo in 1963; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 300 pandas live in breeding centers and zoos in the world; and

WHEREAS, Four zoos in the United States house pandas; and

WHEREAS, Pandas symbolize the long-standing friendship between Washington state, the Sichuan Province, and the People's Republic of China; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Panda Foundation was formed under the leadership of former Governor John Spellman, who initiated a close friendship with Sichuan Province in 1982 to explore the possibility of bringing pandas to Washington state; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Panda Foundation works to showcase business partnerships, promote natural science, and expand our state's friendship with the People's Republic of China through panda exchange; and

WHEREAS, In late 2015, a group of state lawmakers and President Xi Jinping exchanged letters recognizing opportunities for cooperation and goodwill that could come with Washington state hosting pandas; and

WHEREAS, At least two Washington state zoos, the Woodland Park Zoo and Point Defiance Zoo, are being considered as possible panda host locations through an exchange program; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the many cultural, scientific, and business opportunities that may come with

hosting pandas, it is well known that pandas put smiles on the faces of everyone who encounters these bears:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Washington State House of Representatives commend the efforts of the Washington State Panda Foundation, Woodland Park Zoo, and Point Defiance Zoo in working with the People's Republic of China to bring pandas to Washington state through an exchange; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Washington State Panda Foundation.

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4673.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4673 was adopted.

#### RESOLUTION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4674, by Representatives Chopp, Kristiansen, Appleton, Barkis, Bergquist, Blake, Buys, Caldier, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, DeBolt, Dent, Dunshee, Dye, Farrell, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Goodman, Gregerson, Griffey, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harmsworth, Harris, Hawkins, Hayes, Hickel, Holy, Hudgins, S. Hunt, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kilduff, Kirby, Klippert, Kochmar, Kretz, Kuderer, Lytton, MacEwen, Magendanz, Manweller, McBride, McCabe, McCaslin, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Muri, Nealey, Orcutt, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Parker, Peterson, Pettigrew, Pike, Pollet, Revkdal, Riccelli, Robinson, Rodne, Rossetti, Ryu, Santos, Sawyer, Schmick, Scott, Sells, Senn, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stambaugh, Stanford, Stokesbary, Sullivan, Tarleton, Taylor, Tharinger, Van De Wege, Van Werven, Vick, Walkinshaw, Walsh, Wilcox, Wilson, Wylie, Young, and Zeiger

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives recognizes the selfless acts of courage of United States Forest Service members during Washington's wildfires of 2015; and

WHEREAS, Members of the service have dedicated their lives to protecting our national forests and the people in the communities surrounding them; and

WHEREAS, Through their noble occupation, many of these men and women are led to deeds of bravery, even of supreme sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday evening, August 19, 2015, four members of the United States Forest Service--wildland firefighters Tom Zbyszewski, 20, of Carlton; Andrew Zajac, 26, of Winthrop; Richard Wheeler, 31, of Wenatchee; and Daniel Lyon, 25, of Puyallup; saw the peril and danger of task that lay before them, and nevertheless, went out to meet it; and

WHEREAS, The four-man crew, assigned to Engine 642, working up the narrow and winding Woods Canyon Road, went to protect a home from the approaching fire: and

WHEREAS, Their vehicle became engulfed in flames, resulting in the death of Tom Zbyszewski, Andrew Zajac, and Richard Wheeler, and severe injuries to Daniel Lyon; and

WHEREAS, Several other wildland firefighters were also injured in the line of duty fighting the fires; and

WHEREAS, The impact of these firefighters' sacrifices are immeasurable, and will continue through the people and the land they protect; and

WHEREAS, These firefighters did not merely speak of the brotherhood of man, they lived it; and

WHEREAS, The spirit of these firefighters' service will not be forgotten;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives join the citizens of the State of Washington in commending the valor of wildland firefighters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives conveys its deepest condolences to the family, friends, colleagues, and community of Tom Zbyszewski, Andrew Zajac, Richard Wheeler, and Daniel Lyon, and join the people of the State of Washington in honoring their memory and commending their tremendous sacrifice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives express profound appreciation and enduring gratitude to the brave men and women that protect our state every day as first responders and firefighters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Methow Valley Ranger District for presentation to the families of Tom Zbyszewski, Andrew Zajac, Richard Wheeler, and Daniel Lyon.

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4674.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4674 was adopted.

## RESOLUTION

# **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4675**, by Representative Fey

WHEREAS, Joan M. "Joni" Earl is retiring from her position as Chief Executive Officer of Sound Transit after leading the agency for fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Earl's prior government experience as Deputy County Executive of Snohomish

County, City Manager of Mill Creek, and Director of Internal Management and Chief Fiscal Officer of Kitsap County together made her uniquely suited to pay attention to both the big picture and the financial bottom line, and she brought to Sound Transit laser-sharp business sense and drive for results; and

WHEREAS, From the time she was named Acting Executive Director in January 2001 and made Executive Director six months later, Ms. Earl instilled an agency culture of accountability and transparency around doing public projects; and

WHEREAS, In her 15 years leading Sound Transit, the agency evolved to become one of the nation's leading transit agencies, known for progress, professionalism, and industry achievement; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Earl and her leadership team dramatically restructured the way Sound Transit manages major projects, which by 2003 led to the restoration of \$500 million in federal funding for building the initial segment of the Link regional light rail system; and

WHEREAS, Link light rail service opened between Seattle and Sea-Tac Airport in 2009, providing residents and visitors with fast, dependable service 20 hours a day; and

WHEREAS, As Sound Transit's CEO and throughout her public career, Ms. Earl has forged important partnerships, working closely with elected and community leaders at all levels and across political aisles, in particular with the late Representative Ruth Fisher, after whom the Sound Transit board room is named; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit's regional system of ST Express buses, Sounder trains, and Link light rail will provide more than 41 million rides this year, improving the economic and social health of central Puget Sound, home to 40 percent of the state's population, 70 percent of our state's economic activity, and 97 percent of our state's congestion; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Earl's extraordinary vision and leadership at Sound Transit provide a legacy for generations to come, truly leaving Puget Sound communities and our economy better than she found them, and we are grateful for her remarkable contributions to the state of Washington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives recognize and congratulate Ms. Joni Earl for her lifetime of outstanding public service culminating in the successful reinvention of Sound Transit, and for her dedication to transparency and accountability in doing the public's business; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Ms. Earl and to the Board of Directors of Sound Transit.

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4675.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4675 was adopted.

#### RESOLUTION

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4676, by

Representatives Goodman, Gregerson, Riccelli, Kilduff, Wylie, Robinson, Sells, Farrell, Appleton, Frame, Peterson, Pollet, Kirby, Sawyer, Rossetti, Ryu, McBride, Kagi, Blake, Stanford, Tharinger, Lytton, Fitzgibbon, Walkinshaw, and Moscoso

WHEREAS, Hunger affects millions of people nationwide, including children, seniors, and military veterans; and

WHEREAS, Food bank shelves filled from winter holiday giving are often bare in late spring; and

WHEREAS, When school meal programs end in the summertime, millions of families with school age children must find alternate sources of food: and

WHEREAS, In 2015, the National Association of Letter Carriers' "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive collected 71 million pounds of donated food, which were distributed locally in 10,000 cities and towns across America; and

WHEREAS, In Washington state in 2015, 1.7 million pounds of donated food was collected by letter carriers; and

WHEREAS, In 2016, thousands of households in Washington state are still struggling with providing enough food for their families; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of Letter Carriers continues to work to end the challenges of hunger in Washington state through its 24th annual "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive; and

WHEREAS, On May 14, 2016, the second Saturday in May, letter carriers will collect food donations to be distributed to food banks and pantries at a much needed time of the year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives support the observation of Saturday, May 14, 2016, as letter carrier "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive day in Washington state, and urge all Washingtonians to join in this special observance.

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4676.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4676 was adopted.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the fourth order of business.

#### INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING

### HB 2997 by Representative Pike

AN ACT Relating to requiring voter approval for any agreement between a public transportation benefit area and certain entities in adjoining states; amending RCW 36.57A.080; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 2998 by Representatives Hurst, Condotta and Sawyer

AN ACT Relating to facilitating the orderly development of the legal marijuana market and eliminating the illicit marijuana market; amending RCW 69.50.535; adding a new section to chapter 69.50 RCW; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Gaming.

#### HB 2999 by Representative Pike

AN ACT Relating to improving the availability and accuracy of advanced breast cancer screening through targeted tax incentives for advanced digital imaging technologies; adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.12 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 70.14 RCW; creating new sections; and providing expiration dates.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

**HB** 3000 by Representatives Springer and Magendanz

AN ACT Relating to education.

Referred to Committee on Education.

There being no objection, the bills listed on the day's introduction sheet under the fourth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the eighth order of business.

There being no objection, the following bills were referred to the Committee on Rules:

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1123
HOUSE BILL NO. 1278
HOUSE BILL NO. 1833
HOUSE BILL NO. 2303
HOUSE BILL NO. 2616
HOUSE BILL NO. 2803
HOUSE BILL NO. 1250
HOUSE BILL NO. 2812
HOUSE BILL NO. 2046
HOUSE BILL NO. 1701
HOUSE BILL NO. 2436
HOUSE BILL NO. 2811

HOUSE BILL NO. 2892 HOUSE BILL NO. 1438 HOUSE BILL NO. 1441 HOUSE BILL NO. 1528 HOUSE BILL NO. 2341 **HOUSE BILL NO. 2368** HOUSE BILL NO. 2477 HOUSE BILL NO. 2652 HOUSE BILL NO. 2758 HOUSE BILL NO. 2770 HOUSE BILL NO. 2799 HOUSE BILL NO. 2802 HOUSE BILL NO. 2823 HOUSE BILL NO. 2955 HOUSE BILL NO. 2976 SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1966 HOUSE BILL NO. 1990 HOUSE BILL NO. 2182 HOUSE BILL NO. 2261 HOUSE BILL NO. 2319 HOUSE BILL NO. 2406 HOUSE BILL NO. 2424 HOUSE BILL NO. 2576 HOUSE BILL NO. 2646 HOUSE BILL NO. 2898 HOUSE BILL NO. 2931 HOUSE BILL NO. 1284 HOUSE BILL NO. 1809 HOUSE BILL NO. 2364 HOUSE BILL NO. 2630 HOUSE BILL NO. 2832 **HOUSE BILL NO. 2863** ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1754

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) called upon Representative Stanford to preside.

There being no objection, the House reverted to the fifth order of business.

# REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

February 24, 2016

HCR 4415

Prime Sponsor, Representative Sells: Approving the 2016 state comprehensive plan for workforce training and education. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Beginning on page 1, on line 1, strike all material through "education." on page 3, line 13 and insert the following:

"WHEREAS, Chapter 238, Laws of 1991 created the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board (Workforce Board) to provide planning, coordinating, evaluation, and policy analysis for the state training system as a whole and to provide advice to the Governor and the Legislature concerning the training system in cooperation with the agencies that comprise the state

training system and the Washington Student Achievement Council; and

WHEREAS, The Workforce Board is a unique partnership of business, labor, education, and training organizations dedicated to creating a highly skilled workforce that meets the needs of Washington businesses and workers; and

WHEREAS, The state faces the workforce challenges of: (1) Not enough workers with the education and training to fill key openings, hampering the ability of Washington's businesses to remain competitive in an increasingly global economy, and (2) a workforce that is growing older and increasingly diverse, bringing with it falling workforce participation rates and lower education and skill attainment among many target populations that are needed to fill new job openings; and

WHEREAS, RCW 28C.18.080 requires the Workforce Board to update the state comprehensive plan for workforce training and education every four years, and the plan was last updated in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Students, workers, and employers have wide ranging education and training needs; and

WHEREAS, By viewing the workforce system as a series of interconnected pathways, with multiple options for workers, jobseekers, and students to advance, the Workforce Board is able to outline strategies to strengthen these pathways so more Washington residents become economically self-sufficient, while also helping Washington businesses find the skilled workers they depend on; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the 2016 state comprehensive plan for training and education is to provide direction to the workforce development system; and

WHEREAS, To meet the challenges of the next ten years workforce partners must work together as a seamless, customer-focused system; and

WHEREAS, This edition of the state comprehensive plan for workforce development represents the first time the Workforce Board will also submit a combined plan for workforce development to the federal Departments of Labor and Education, in accordance with the requirements of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014; and

WHEREAS, The Workforce Board coordinated an inclusive process of work groups and public forums to reach agreement on the strategies identified in the 2016 state strategic plan for workforce development, under the leadership of the Workforce Board's labor and business representatives; and

WHEREAS, The strategies identified in the 2016 state strategic plan for workforce development represent the consensus of critical constituencies across the workforce system, including business, labor, and the agencies delivering workforce services; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 state comprehensive plan, titled Talent and Prosperity for All, emphasizes the following four strategic priorities:

(1) Achieving a more welcoming, streamlined customer experience in the workforce system by blending and braiding the delivery of services more effectively;

- (2) Strengthening the breadth and quality of the workforce system's engagement with the business community, emphasizing sector strategies and a focus on in-demand industries;
- (3) Ensuring a workforce system that is universally accessible for all customers, leveraging technology and other tools to identify and remove barriers to access; and
- (4) Refining Washington's performance accountability system to inform a process of continual, data-driven improvement; and

WHEREAS, The provisions of the comprehensive plan and updates approved by the Legislature become the state's workforce policy unless legislation is enacted to alter the policies set forth therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, the Senate concurring, hereby approve the 2016 state comprehensive plan for workforce training and education."

Signed by Representatives Hansen, Chair; Pollet, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Minority Member; Haler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Frame; Hargrove; Holy; Reykdal; Sells; Stambaugh; Tarleton and Van Werven.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

SB 5277

Prime Sponsor, Senator Kohl-Welles: Making the crime of patronizing a prostitute a gross misdemeanor. Reported by Committee on Public Safety

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Goodman, Chair; Orwall, Vice Chair; Klippert, Ranking Minority Member; Hayes, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Griffey and Wilson.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Appleton; Moscoso and Pettigrew.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

ESSB 6149

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Commerce & Labor: Providing reasonable accommodations in the workplace for pregnant women. Reported by Committee on General Government & Information Technology

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended by Committee on General Government & Information Technology and without amendment by Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 43.10 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) An employer must provide reasonable accommodations to an employee for a pregnancy-related or childbirth-related health condition if so requested, with written certification from a licensed health care provider, unless the employer demonstrates that the accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the employer's business. The employee must provide written notice to the employer stating that a health condition related to pregnancy or childbirth requires accommodation.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, an employee who is pregnant or has a health condition related to pregnancy or childbirth shall not be required to obtain the advice of a licensed health care provider, nor may an employer claim undue hardship, for the following accommodations: (a) More frequent, longer, or flexible restroom, food, and water breaks; (b) seating; and (c) limits on lifting over twenty pounds.
- (3) The employee and employer shall engage in an interactive process with respect to an employee's request for a reasonable accommodation.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, an employer shall not be required to create a new or additional position in order to accommodate an employee pursuant to this section, and shall not be required to discharge any employee, transfer any other employee with greater seniority, or promote any employee.
- (5) An employer shall not require an employee who has a pregnancy-related or childbirth-related health condition to accept an accommodation, if such accommodation is unnecessary to enable the employee to perform the job.
- (6) An employer shall not:
- (a) Take adverse action against an employee who requests or uses an accommodation under this section that affects the terms, conditions, or privileges of employment;
- (b) Deny employment opportunities to an otherwise qualified employee if such denial is based on the employer's need to make reasonable accommodation required by this section; or
- (c) Require an employee to take leave if another reasonable accommodation can be provided for the employee's pregnancy-related or childbirth-related health condition.
- (7) This section does not preempt, limit, diminish, or otherwise affect any other provision of law relating to sex discrimination or pregnancy, or in any way diminish or limit the coverage for pregnancy, childbirth, or a pregnancy-related health condition.
- (8) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- (a) "Employee" means an individual employed by an employer.
- (b) "Employer" has the same meaning as RCW 49.60.040(11).
- (c) "Reasonable accommodation" includes, but is not limited to:
- (i) Making existing facilities used by employees readily accessible to and usable by employees who have a pregnancy-related or childbirth-related condition;

- (ii) Job restructuring, part-time or modified work schedules, reassignment to a vacant position, acquisition or modification of equipment or devices, or appropriate adjustment or modifications of examinations;
- (iii) Temporary transfer to a less strenuous or hazardous position;
- (iv) Limits on heavy lifting;
- (v) Scheduling flexibility for prenatal and postnatal visits
- (d) "Undue hardship" means an action requiring significant difficulty or expense.
- (9) The attorney general shall investigate complaints and enforce this section. The attorney general may issue civil investigative demands for the inspection of documents, interrogatory responses, and oral testimony in the enforcement of this section. The attorney general may seek all appropriate relief in the superior courts for violations of this section, including costs and a reasonable attorneys' fee. In addition to the complaint process with the attorney general, any aggrieved person injured by any act in violation of this section has a civil cause of action in court to enjoin further violations, or to recover the actual damages sustained by the person, or both, together with the cost of suit including reasonable attorneys' fees or any other appropriate remedy authorized by state or federal law." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Hudgins, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; Morris and Senn.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives MacEwen, Ranking Minority Member; Caldier, Assistant Ranking Minority Member and Johnson.

Passed to Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

February 25, 2016

2SSB 6187

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Concerning the authority of the pollution liability insurance agency. Reported by Committee on Environment

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature intends for the pollution liability insurance agency to establish a revolving loan and grant program to assist owners and operators of petroleum underground storage tank systems to: (1) Remediate past releases; (2) upgrade, replace, or remove petroleum underground storage tank systems to prevent future releases; and (3) install new infrastructure or retrofit existing infrastructure for dispensing renewable or alternative energy.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Agency" means the Washington state pollution liability insurance agency.
- (2) "Local government" means any political subdivision of the state, including a town, city, county, special purpose district, or other municipal corporation.
- (3) "Operator" means any person in control of, or having responsibility for, the daily operation of a petroleum underground storage tank system.
- (4) "Owner" means any person who owns a petroleum underground storage tank system.
- (5) "Petroleum underground storage tank system" means an underground storage tank system regulated under chapter 90.76 RCW or subtitle I of the solid waste disposal act (42 U.S.C. Chapter 82, Subchapter IX) that is used for storing petroleum.
- (6) "Release" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 70.105D.020.
- (7) "Remedial action" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 70.105D.020.
- (8) "Underground storage tank facility" means the location where one or more underground storage tank systems are installed. A facility encompasses all contiguous real property under common ownership associated with the operation of the underground storage tank system or systems.
- (9) "Underground storage tank system" means an underground storage tank, connected underground piping, underground ancillary equipment, and containment system, if any, and includes any aboveground ancillary equipment connected to the underground storage tank or piping, such as dispensers. NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) The agency shall establish an underground storage tank revolving loan and grant program to provide loans or grants to owners or operators to:
- (a) Conduct remedial actions in accordance with chapter 70.105D RCW, including investigations and cleanups of any release or threatened release of a hazardous substance at or affecting an underground storage tank facility, provided that at least one of the releases or threatened releases involves petroleum;
- (b) Upgrade, replace, or permanently close a petroleum underground storage tank system in accordance with chapter 90.76 RCW or subtitle I of the solid waste disposal act (42 U.S.C., chapter 82, subchapter IX), as applicable;
- (c) Install new infrastructure or retrofit existing infrastructure at an underground storage tank facility for dispensing renewable or alternative energy for motor vehicles, including electric vehicle charging stations, when conducted in conjunction with either (a) or (b) of this subsection; or
- (d) Install and subsequently remove a temporary petroleum aboveground storage tank system in compliance with applicable laws, when conducted in conjunction with either (a) or (b) of this subsection.
- (2) The maximum amount that may be loaned or granted under this program to an owner or operator for a single underground storage tank facility is two million dollars. NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. (1) A recipient of a loan or grant may not use these funds to conduct remedial actions of a release or threatened release from a

- petroleum underground storage tank system requiring financial assurances under chapter 90.76 RCW or subtitle I of the solid waste disposal act (42 U.S.C., chapter 82, subchapter IX) unless the owner or operator: (a) Agrees to first expend all moneys available under the required financial assurances;
- (b) Demonstrates that all moneys available under the required financial assurances have been expended; or
- (c) Demonstrates that a claim has been made under the required financial assurances and the claim has been rejected by the provider.
- (2) A recipient must use a loan or grant for a project that develops and acquires assets that have a useful life of at least thirteen years.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. The agency shall partner and enter into a memorandum of agreement with the department of health to implement the revolving loan and grant program.
- (1) The agency shall select loan and grant recipients and manage the work conducted under section 3(1) of this act.
- (2) The department of health shall administer the loans and grants to qualified recipients as determined by the agency.
- (3) The department of health may collect, from persons requesting financial assistance, loan origination fees to cover costs incurred by the department of health in operating the financial assistance program.
- (4) The agency may use the moneys in the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account to fund the department of health's operating costs for the program.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. (1) The agency may conduct remedial actions and investigate or clean up a release or threatened release of a hazardous substance at or affecting an underground storage tank facility if the following conditions are met:
- (a) The owner or operator received a loan or grant for the underground storage tank facility under the revolving program created in this chapter for two million dollars or less;
- (b) The remedial actions are conducted in accordance with the rules adopted under chapter 70.105D RCW;
- (c) The owner of real property subject to the remedial actions provides consent for the agency to:
- (i) Recover the remedial action costs from the owner; and
- (ii) Enter upon the real property to conduct remedial actions limited to those authorized by the owner or operator. Remedial actions must be focused on maintaining the economic vitality of the property. The agency or the agency's authorized representatives shall give reasonable notice before entering property unless an emergency prevents the notice; and
- (d) The owner of the underground storage tank facility consents to the agency filing a lien on the underground storage tank facility to recover the agency's remedial action costs.
- (2) The agency may conduct the remedial actions authorized under subsection (1) of this section using the moneys in the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account, as required

- under section 5 of this act. However, for any remedial action where the owner or operator has received a loan or grant, the agency may not expend more than the difference between the amount loaned or granted and two million dollars.
- (3) The agency may request informal advice and assistance and written opinions on the sufficiency of remedial actions from the department of ecology under RCW 70.105D.030(1)(i).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. (1) The agency may file a lien against the underground storage tank facility if the agency incurs remedial action costs and those costs are unrecovered by the agency.
- (a) A lien filed under this section may not exceed the remedial action costs incurred by the agency.
- (b) A lien filed under this section has priority in rank over all other privileges, liens, monetary encumbrances, or other security interests affecting the real property, whenever incurred, filed, or recorded, except for local and special district property tax assessments.
- (2) Before filing a lien under this section, the agency shall give notice of its intent to file a lien to the owner of the underground storage tank facility on which the lien is to be filed, mortgagees, and lien holders of record.
- (a) The agency shall send the notice by certified mail to the underground storage tank facility owner and mortgagees of record at the addresses listed in the recorded documents. If the underground storage tank facility owner is unknown or if a mailed notice is returned as undeliverable, the agency shall provide notice by posting a legal notice in the newspaper of largest circulation in the county in which the site is located. The notice must provide:
- (i) A statement of the purpose of the lien;
- (ii) A brief description of the real property to be affected by the lien; and
- (iii) A statement of the remedial action costs incurred by the agency.
- (b) If the agency has reason to believe that exigent circumstances require the filing of a lien prior to giving notice under this subsection, the agency may file the lien immediately. Exigent circumstances include, but are not limited to, an imminent bankruptcy filing by the underground storage tank facility owner or the imminent transfer or sale of the real property subject to lien by the underground storage tank facility owner, or both.
- (3) A lien filed under this section is effective when a statement of lien is filed with the county auditor in the county where the underground storage tank facility is located. The statement of lien must include a description of the real property subject to lien and the amount of the lien.
- (4) Unless the agency determines it is in the public interest to remove the lien, the lien continues until the liabilities for the remedial action costs have been satisfied through sale of the real property, foreclosure, or other means agreed to by the agency. Any action for foreclosure of the lien must be brought by the attorney general in a civil action in the court having jurisdiction and in the manner prescribed for judicial foreclosure of a mortgage under chapter 61.24 RCW.

(5) The agency may not file a lien under this section against an underground storage tank facility owned by a local government.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. (1) The pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account is created in the state treasury. All receipts from sources identified under subsection (2) of this section must be deposited into the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used only for items identified under subsection (3) of this section.

- (2) The following receipts must be deposited into the account:
- (a) All moneys appropriated by the legislature to pay for the agency's operating costs to carry out the purposes of this chapter;
- (b) All moneys appropriated by the legislature to provide loans and grants under section 3 of this act;
- (c) Any repayment of loans provided under section 3 of this act;
- (d) All moneys appropriated by the legislature to conduct remedial actions under section 6 of this act;
- (e) Any recovery of the costs of remedial actions conducted under section 6 of this act;
- (f) Any grants provided by the federal government to the agency to achieve the purposes of this chapter; and
- (g) Any other deposits made from a public or private entity to achieve the purposes of this chapter.
- (3) Moneys in the account may be used by the agency only to carry out the purposes of this chapter including, but not limited to:
- (a) The costs of the agency and department of health to carry out the purposes of this chapter;
- (b) Loans and grants under section 3 of this act;
- (c) Remedial actions under section 6 of this act; and
- (d) State match requirements for grants provided to the agency by the federal government.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. By September 1st of each even-numbered year, the agency must provide the office of financial management and the appropriate legislative committees a report on the agency's activities supported by expenditures from the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account. The report must at a minimum include:

- (1) The amount of money the legislature appropriated from the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account under section 8 of this act during the last biennium;
- (2) For the previous biennium, the total number of loans and grants, the amounts loaned or granted, sites cleaned up, petroleum underground storage tank systems upgraded, replaced, or permanently closed, and jobs preserved;
- (3) For each loan and grant awarded during the previous biennium, the name of the recipient, the location of the underground storage tank facility, a description of the project and its status, the amount loaned, and the amount repaid;
- (4) For each underground storage tank facility where the agency conducted remedial actions under section 6 of this act during the previous biennium, the name and location of the site, the amount of money used to conduct

the remedial actions, the status of remedial actions, whether liens were filed against the underground storage tank facility under section 7 of this act, and the amount of money recovered; and

(5) The operating costs of the agency and department of health to carry out the purposes of this chapter during the last biennium.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. The agency must adopt rules under chapter 34.05 RCW necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter. To accelerate remedial actions, the agency shall enter into a memorandum of agreement with the department of health under section 5 of this act within one year of the effective date of this section. To ensure the adoption of rules will not delay the award of a loan or grant, the agency may implement the underground storage tank revolving program through interpretative guidance pending adoption of rules.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. Officers, employees, and authorized representatives of the agency and the department of health, and the state of Washington are immune from civil liability and no cause of action of any nature may arise from any act or omission in exercising powers and duties under this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. Nothing in this chapter limits the authority of the department of ecology under chapter 70.105D RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. (1) Sections 1 through 12 of this act expire July 1, 2030.

- (2) The expiration of sections 1 through 12 of this act does not terminate any of the following rights, obligations, authorities or any provision necessary to carry out:
- (a) The repayment of loans due and payable to the lender or the state of Washington;
- (b) The resolution of any cost recovery action or the initiation of any action or other collection process to recover defaulted loan moneys due to the state of Washington; and
- (c) The resolution of any action or the initiation of any action to recover the agency's remedial actions costs under section 7 of this act.
- (3) On July 1, 2030, the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account and all moneys due that account revert to, and accrue to the benefit of, the department of health.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Sec. 15. RCW 70.148.020 and 2013 2nd sp.s. c 4 s 993 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The pollution liability insurance program trust account is established in the custody of the state treasurer. All funds appropriated for this chapter and all premiums collected for reinsurance shall be deposited in the account. Except as provided in chapter 70.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 22 of this act), expenditures from the account shall be used exclusively for the purposes of this chapter including payment of costs of administering the pollution liability insurance and underground storage tank community assistance

- programs. Expenditures for payment of administrative and operating costs of the agency are subject to the allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW and may be made only after appropriation by statute. No appropriation is required for other expenditures from the account.
- (2) Each calendar quarter, the director shall report to the insurance commissioner the loss and surplus reserves required for the calendar quarter. The director shall notify the department of revenue of this amount by the fifteenth day of each calendar quarter.
- (3) ((Each calendar quarter the director shall determine the amount of reserves necessary to fund commitments made to provide financial assistance under RCW 70.148.130 to the extent that the financial assistance reserves do not jeopardize the operations and liabilities of the pollution liability insurance program. The director shall notify the department of revenue of this amount by the fifteenth day of each calendar quarter. The director may immediately establish an initial financial assistance reserve of five million dollars from available revenues. The director may not expend more than fifteen million dollars for the financial assistance program.
- (4) During the 2013-2015 fiscal biennium, the legislature may transfer from the pollution liability insurance program trust account to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the account.
- (5))) This section expires July 1, ((2020)) 2030.
- Sec. 16. RCW 70.148.900 and 2012 1st sp.s. c 3 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter expires July 1, ((2020)) 2030.

Sec. 17. RCW 70.149.900 and 2012 1st sp.s.  $c\ 3\ s\ 3$  are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter expires July 1, ((2020)) 2030.

Sec. 18. RCW 82.23A.020 and 2012 1st sp.s. c 3 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) A tax is imposed on the privilege of possession of petroleum products in this state. The rate of the tax shall be thirty one-hundredths of one percent multiplied by the wholesale value of the petroleum product. After July 1, 2021, the rate of tax is fifteen one-hundredths of one percent multiplied by the wholesale value of the petroleum product. For purposes of determining the tax imposed under this section for petroleum products introduced at the rack, the wholesale value is determined when the petroleum product is removed at the rack unless the removal is to an exporter licensed under chapter ((82.36 or)) 82.38 RCW for direct delivery to a destination outside of the state. For all other cases, the wholesale value is determined upon the first nonbulk possession in the state.
- (2) Except as identified in section 21 of this act, moneys collected under this chapter shall be deposited in the pollution liability insurance program trust account under RCW 70.148.020.
- (3) Chapter 82.32 RCW applies to the tax imposed in this chapter. The tax due dates, reporting periods, and return requirements applicable to chapter 82.04 RCW apply equally to the tax imposed in this chapter.
- (4) Within thirty days after the end of each calendar quarter the department shall determine the "quarterly

- balance," which shall be the cash balance in the pollution liability insurance program trust account as of the last day of that calendar quarter, after excluding the reserves determined for that quarter under RCW 70.148.020(2) ((and (3))). Balance determinations by the department under this section are final and shall not be used to challenge the validity of any tax imposed under this section. For each subsequent calendar quarter, tax shall be imposed under this section during the entire calendar quarter unless:
- (a) Tax was imposed under this section during the immediately preceding calendar quarter, and the most recent quarterly balance is more than fifteen million dollars; or
- (b) Tax was not imposed under this section during the immediately preceding calendar quarter, and the most recent quarterly balance is more than seven million five hundred thousand dollars.
- Sec. 19. RCW 82.23A.902 and 2012 1st sp.s. c 3 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:
- This chapter expires July 1, ((2020)) 2030, coinciding with the expiration of chapter 70.148 RCW.
- Sec. 20. RCW 43.84.092 and 2015 3rd sp.s. c 44 s 107 and 2015 3rd sp.s. c 12 s 3 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- (1) All earnings of investments of surplus balances in the state treasury shall be deposited to the treasury income account, which account is hereby established in the state treasury.
- (2) The treasury income account shall be utilized to pay or receive funds associated with federal programs as required by the federal cash management improvement act of 1990. The treasury income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for refunds or allocations of interest earnings required by the cash management improvement act. Refunds of interest to the federal treasury required under the cash management improvement act fall under RCW 43.88.180 and shall not require appropriation. The office of financial management shall determine the amounts due to or from the federal government pursuant to the cash management improvement act. The office of financial management may direct transfers of funds between accounts as deemed necessary to implement the provisions of the cash management improvement act, and this subsection. Refunds or allocations shall occur prior to the distributions of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.
- (3) Except for the provisions of RCW 43.84.160, the treasury income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services on behalf of treasury funds including, but not limited to, depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasury and affected state agencies. The treasury income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.
- (4) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings credited to the treasury income account. The

state treasurer shall credit the general fund with all the earnings credited to the treasury income account except: (a) The following accounts and funds shall receive their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's and fund's average daily balance for the period: The aeronautics account, the aircraft search and rescue account, the Alaskan Way viaduct replacement project account, the brownfield redevelopment trust fund account, the budget stabilization account, the capital vessel replacement account, the capitol building construction account, the Cedar River channel construction and operation account, the Central Washington University capital projects account, the charitable, educational, penal and reformatory institutions account, the cleanup settlement account, the Columbia river basin water supply development account, the Columbia river basin taxable bond water supply development account, the Columbia river basin water supply revenue recovery account, the common school construction fund, the community forest trust account, the connecting Washington account, the county arterial preservation account, the county criminal justice assistance account, the deferred compensation administrative account, the deferred compensation principal account, the department of licensing services account, the department of retirement systems expense account, the developmental disabilities community trust account, the diesel idle reduction account, the drinking water assistance account, the drinking water assistance administrative account, the drinking water assistance repayment account, the Eastern Washington University capital projects account, the Interstate 405 express toll lanes operations account, the education construction fund, the education legacy trust account, the election account, the electric vehicle charging infrastructure account, the energy freedom account, the energy recovery act account, the essential rail assistance account, The Evergreen State College capital projects account, the federal forest revolving account, the ferry bond retirement fund, the freight mobility investment account, the freight mobility multimodal account, the grade crossing protective fund, the public health services account, the high capacity transportation account, the state higher education construction account, the higher education construction account, the highway bond retirement fund, the highway infrastructure account, the highway safety fund, the high occupancy toll lanes operations account, the hospital safety net assessment fund, the industrial insurance premium refund account, the judges' retirement account, the judicial retirement administrative account, the judicial retirement principal account, the local leasehold excise tax account, the local real estate excise tax account, the local sales and use tax account, the marine resources stewardship trust account, the medical aid account, the mobile home park relocation fund, the motor vehicle fund, the motorcycle safety education account, the multimodal transportation account, the multiuse roadway safety account, the municipal criminal justice assistance account, the natural resources deposit account, the oyster reserve land account, the pension funding stabilization account, the perpetual surveillance and maintenance account, the

pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account, the public employees' retirement system plan 1 account, the public employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the public facilities construction loan revolving account beginning July 1, 2004, the public health supplemental account, the public works assistance account, the Puget Sound capital construction account, the Puget Sound ferry operations account, the Puget Sound taxpayer accountability account, the real estate appraiser commission account, the recreational vehicle account, the regional mobility grant program account, the resource management cost account, the rural arterial trust account, the rural mobility grant program account, the rural Washington loan fund, the site closure account, the skilled nursing facility safety net trust fund, the small city pavement and sidewalk account, the special category C account, the special wildlife account, the state employees' insurance account, the state employees' insurance reserve account, the state investment board expense account, the state investment board commingled trust fund accounts, the state patrol highway account, the state route number 520 civil penalties account, the state route number 520 corridor account, the state wildlife account, the supplemental pension account, the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account, the teachers' retirement system plan 1 account, the teachers' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the tobacco prevention and control account, the tobacco settlement account, the toll facility bond retirement account, the transportation 2003 account (nickel account), the transportation equipment fund, the transportation fund, the transportation future funding program account, the transportation improvement account, the transportation improvement board bond retirement account, the transportation infrastructure account, the transportation partnership account, the traumatic brain injury account, the tuition recovery trust fund, the University of Washington bond retirement fund, the University of Washington building account, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' relief and pension principal fund, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' administrative fund, the Washington judicial retirement system account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 1 retirement account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 2 retirement account, the Washington public safety employees' plan 2 retirement account, the Washington school employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and 3 account, the Washington state health insurance pool account, the Washington state patrol retirement account, the Washington State University building account, the Washington State University bond retirement fund, the water pollution control revolving administration account, the water pollution control revolving fund, the Western Washington University capital projects account, the Yakima integrated plan implementation account, the Yakima integrated plan implementation revenue recovery account, and the Yakima integrated plan implementation taxable bond account. Earnings derived from investing balances of the agricultural permanent fund, the normal school

permanent fund, the permanent common school fund, the scientific permanent fund, the state university permanent fund, and the state reclamation revolving account shall be allocated to their respective beneficiary accounts

(b) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts or funds not statutorily required to be held in the state treasury that deposits funds into a fund or account in the state treasury pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period. (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state Constitution, no treasury accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 21. (1) On July 1, 2016, if the cash balance amount in the pollution liability insurance program trust account exceeds seven million five hundred thousand dollars after excluding the reserves under RCW 70.148.020(2), the state treasurer shall transfer the amount exceeding seven million five hundred thousand dollars, up to a transfer of ten million dollars, from the pollution liability insurance program trust account into the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account.

(2) On July 1, 2017, and every two years thereafter at the start of each successive biennium, if the cash balance amount in the pollution liability insurance program trust account exceeds seven million five hundred thousand dollars, the state treasurer shall transfer the amount exceeding seven million five hundred thousand dollars after excluding the reserves under RCW 70.148.020(2), up to a transfer of twenty million dollars, from the pollution liability insurance program trust account into the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account. If twenty million dollars is not available to be transferred at the beginning of the first fiscal year of the biennium, on July 1st of the subsequent fiscal year, if the cash balance amount in the pollution liability insurance program trust account exceeds seven million five hundred thousand dollars after excluding the reserves under RCW 70.148.020(2), the state treasurer shall transfer the amount exceeding seven million five hundred thousand dollars from the pollution liability insurance program trust account into the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account. The total amount transferred in a biennium from the pollution liability insurance program trust account into the pollution liability insurance agency underground storage tank revolving account may not exceed twenty million

NEW SECTION. Sec. 22. Sections 1 through 13, 21, and 23 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 70 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 23. Sections 1 through 13 of this act take effect July 1, 2016.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 24. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:

(1)RCW 70.148.120 (Financial assistance for corrective actions in small communities—Intent) and 2005 c 428 s 1 & 1991 c 4 s 1;

(2)RCW 70.148.130 (Financial assistance—Criteria) and 2005 c 428 s 2 & 1991 c 4 s 2;

(3)RCW 70.148.140 (Financial assistance—Private owner or operator) and 1991 c 4 s 3;

(4)RCW 70.148.150 (Financial assistance—Public owner or operator) and 1991 c 4 s 4;

(5)RCW 70.148.160 (Financial assistance—Rural hospitals) and 1991 c 4 s 5; and

(6)RCW 70.148.170 (Certification) and 1991 c 4 s 6." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Fitzgibbon, Chair; Peterson, Vice Chair; Shea, Ranking Minority Member; Short, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Dye; Farrell; Fey; Goodman; McBride; Pike and Taylor.

Passed to Committee on Capital Budget.

February 24, 2016

#### ESSB 6203

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Updating statutes relating to the practice of pharmacy including the practice of pharmacy in long-term care settings. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 18.64.011 and 2015 c 234 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Administer" means the direct application of a drug or device, whether by injection, inhalation, ingestion, or any other means, to the body of a patient or research subject.
- (2) "Business licensing system" means the mechanism established by chapter 19.02 RCW by which business licenses, endorsed for individual state-issued licenses, are issued and renewed utilizing a business license application and a business license expiration date common to each renewable license endorsement.
- (3) "Commission" means the pharmacy quality assurance commission.
- (4) "Compounding" means the act of combining two or more ingredients in the preparation of a prescription.
- (5) "Controlled substance" means a drug or substance, or an immediate precursor of such drug or substance, so designated under or pursuant to the provisions of chapter 69.50 RCW.
- (6) "Deliver" or "delivery" means the actual, constructive, or attempted transfer from one person to another of a drug or device, whether or not there is an agency relationship.
- (7) "Department" means the department of health.
- (8) "Device" means instruments, apparatus, and contrivances, including their components, parts, and

- accessories, intended (a) for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in human beings or other animals, or (b) to affect the structure or any function of the body of human beings or other animals.
- (9) "Dispense" means the interpretation of a prescription or order for a drug, biological, or device and, pursuant to that prescription or order, the proper selection, measuring, compounding, labeling, or packaging necessary to prepare that prescription or order for delivery.
- (10) "Distribute" means the delivery of a drug or device other than by administering or dispensing.
- (11) "Drug" and "devices" do not include surgical or dental instruments or laboratory materials, gas and oxygen, therapy equipment, X-ray apparatus or therapeutic equipment, their component parts or accessories, or equipment, instruments, apparatus, or contrivances used to render such articles effective in medical, surgical, or dental treatment, or for use or consumption in or for mechanical, industrial, manufacturing, or scientific applications or purposes. "Drug" also does not include any article or mixture covered by the Washington pesticide control act (chapter 15.58 RCW), as enacted or hereafter amended, nor medicated feed intended for and used exclusively as a feed for animals other than human beings.
- (12) "Drugs" means:
- (a) Articles recognized in the official United States pharmacopoeia or the official homeopathic pharmacopoeia of the United States;
- (b) Substances intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in human beings or other animals;
- (c) Substances (other than food) intended to affect the structure or any function of the body of human beings or other animals; or
- (d) Substances intended for use as a component of any substances specified in (a), (b), or (c) of this subsection, but not including devices or their component parts or accessories.
- (13) "Health care entity" means an organization that provides health care services in a setting that is not otherwise licensed by the state to acquire or possess legend drugs. Health care entity includes a freestanding outpatient surgery center, a residential treatment facility, and a freestanding cardiac care center. "Health care entity" does not include an individual practitioner's office or a multipractitioner clinic, regardless of ownership, unless the owner elects licensure as a health care entity. "Health care entity" also does not include an individual practitioner's office or multipractitioner clinic identified by a hospital on a pharmacy application or renewal pursuant to RCW 18.64.043.
- (14) "Labeling" means the process of preparing and affixing a label to any drug or device container. The label must include all information required by current federal and state law and pharmacy rules.
- (15) "Legend drugs" means any drugs which are required by any applicable federal or state law or regulation to be dispensed on prescription only or are restricted to use by practitioners only.

- (16) "Manufacture" means the production, preparation, propagation, compounding, or processing of a drug or other substance or device or the packaging or repackaging of such substance or device, or the labeling or relabeling of the commercial container of such substance or device, but does not include the activities of a practitioner who, as an incident to his or her administration or dispensing such substance or device in the course of his or her professional practice, personally prepares, compounds, packages, or labels such substance or device. "Manufacture" includes the distribution of a licensed pharmacy compounded drug product to other state licensed persons or commercial entities for subsequent resale or distribution, unless a specific product item has approval of the commission. The term does not include:
- (a) The activities of a licensed pharmacy that compounds a product on or in anticipation of an order of a licensed practitioner for use in the course of their professional practice to administer to patients, either personally or under their direct supervision;
- (b) The practice of a licensed pharmacy when repackaging commercially available medication in small, reasonable quantities for a practitioner legally authorized to prescribe the medication for office use only;
- (c) The distribution of a drug product that has been compounded by a licensed pharmacy to other appropriately licensed entities under common ownership or control of the facility in which the compounding takes place; or
- (d) The delivery of finished and appropriately labeled compounded products dispensed pursuant to a valid prescription to alternate delivery locations, other than the patient's residence, when requested by the patient, or the prescriber to administer to the patient, or to another licensed pharmacy to dispense to the patient.
- (17) "Manufacturer" means a person, corporation, or other entity engaged in the manufacture of drugs or devices.
- (18) "Nonlegend" or "nonprescription" drugs means any drugs which may be lawfully sold without a prescription.
- (19) "Person" means an individual, corporation, government, governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate, trust, partnership or association, or any other legal entity.
- (20) "Pharmacist" means a person duly licensed by the commission to engage in the practice of pharmacy.
- (21) "Pharmacy" means every place properly licensed by the commission where the practice of pharmacy is conducted.
- (22) "Poison" does not include any article or mixture covered by the Washington pesticide control act (chapter 15.58 RCW), as enacted or hereafter amended.
- (23) "Practice of pharmacy" includes the practice of and responsibility for: Interpreting prescription orders; the compounding, dispensing, labeling, administering, and distributing of drugs and devices; the monitoring of drug therapy and use; the initiating or modifying of drug therapy in accordance with written guidelines or protocols previously established and approved for his or her practice by a practitioner authorized to prescribe

drugs; the participating in drug utilization reviews and drug product selection; the proper and safe storing and distributing of drugs and devices and maintenance of proper records thereof; the providing of information on legend drugs which may include, but is not limited to, the advising of therapeutic values, hazards, and the uses of drugs and devices.

- (24) "Practitioner" means a physician, dentist, veterinarian, nurse, or other person duly authorized by law or rule in the state of Washington to prescribe drugs. (25) "Prescription" means an order for drugs or devices issued by a practitioner duly authorized by law or rule in the state of Washington to prescribe drugs or devices in the course of his or her professional practice for a legitimate medical purpose.
- (26) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's designee.
- (27) "Wholesaler" means a corporation, individual, or other entity which buys drugs or devices for resale and distribution to corporations, individuals, or entities other than consumers.
- (28) "Chart order" means a lawful order for a drug or device entered on the chart or medical record of an inpatient or resident of an institutional facility by a practitioner or his or her designated agent.
- (29) "Closed door long-term care pharmacy" means a pharmacy that provides pharmaceutical care to a defined and exclusive group of patients who have access to the services of the pharmacy because they are treated by or have an affiliation with a long-term care facility or hospice program, and that is not a retailer of goods to the general public.
- (30) "Hospice program" means a hospice program certified or paid by medicare under Title XVIII of the federal social security act, or a hospice program licensed under chapter 70.127 RCW.
- (31) "Institutional facility" means any organization whose primary purpose is to provide a physical environment for patients to obtain health care services including, but not limited to, services in a hospital, long-term care facility, hospice program, mental health facility, drug abuse treatment center, residential habilitation center, or a local, state, or federal correction facility.
- (32) "Long-term care facility" means a nursing home licensed under chapter 18.51 RCW, an assisted living facility licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW, or an adult family home licensed under chapter 70.128 RCW.
- (33) "Shared pharmacy services" means a system that allows a participating pharmacist or pharmacy pursuant to a request from another participating pharmacist or pharmacy to process or fill a prescription or drug order, which may include but is not necessarily limited to preparing, packaging, labeling, data entry, compounding for specific patients, dispensing, performing drug utilization reviews, conducting claims adjudication, obtaining refill authorizations, reviewing therapeutic interventions, or reviewing chart orders.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 18.64 RCW to read as follows:

(1) A chart order must be considered a prescription if it contains:

- (a) The full name of the patient;
- (b) The date of issuance;
- (c) The name, strength, and dosage form of the drug prescribed;
- (d) Directions for use; and
- (e) An authorized signature:
- (i) For written orders, the order must contain the prescribing practitioner's signature or the signature of the practitioner's authorized agent, including the name of the prescribing practitioner; or
- (ii) For electronic or digital orders, the order must contain the prescribing practitioner's electronic or digital signature, or the electronic or digital signature of the practitioner's authorized agent, including the name of the prescribing practitioner.
- (2) A licensed nurse, pharmacist, or physician practicing in a long-term care facility or hospice program may act as the practitioner's agent for purposes of this chapter, without need for a written agency agreement, to document a chart order in the patient's medical record on behalf of the prescribing practitioner pending the prescribing practitioner's signature; or to communicate a prescription to a pharmacy whether telephonically, via facsimile, or electronically. The communication of a prescription to a dispenser by the prescriber's agent has the same force and effect as if communicated directly by the authorized practitioner.
- (3) Nothing in this chapter prevents an authorized credentialed employee of a long-term care facility from transmitting a chart order pursuant to RCW 74.42.230, or transmitting a prescription on behalf of a resident to the extent otherwise authorized by law.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 18.64 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) A pharmacy or pharmacist may provide a limited quantity of drugs to a nursing home or hospice program without a prescription for emergency administration by authorized personnel of the facility or program pursuant to a valid prescription. The drugs so provided must be limited to those required to meet the immediate therapeutic needs of residents or patients and may not be available from another authorized source in sufficient time to prevent risk of harm by delay resulting from obtaining drugs from another source. Emergency kits must be secured in a locked room, container, or device to prevent unauthorized access and to ensure the proper environment for preservation of the drugs.
- (2) In addition to or in connection with the emergency kit authorized under subsection (1) of this section, a nursing home that employs a unit dose drug distribution system may maintain a supplemental dose kit for supplemental nonemergency drug therapy. Supplemental dose kits must be secured in a locked room, container, or device to prevent unauthorized access, and to ensure the proper environment for preservation of the drugs. Administration of drugs from a supplemental dose kit must be under a valid prescription or chart order.
- (3) The types and quantity of drugs appropriate to serve the resident or patient population of a nursing home or hospice program using an emergency kit or supplemental dose kit and procedures for the proper

storage and security of drugs must be determined by a pharmaceutical services committee that includes a pharmacist licensed under this chapter, a physician licensed under chapter 18.71 RCW, an osteopathic physician licensed under chapter 18.57 RCW, or an advanced registered nurse practitioner licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW, and appropriate clinical or administrative personnel of the nursing home or hospice program as set forth in rules adopted by the pharmacy quality assurance commission.

(4) A registered nurse or licensed practical nurse operating under appropriate direction and supervision by a pharmacist may restock an emergency kit or supplemental dose kit to provide for safe and timely patient access.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 18.64 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) A pharmacy may resupply a legend drug to a patient at a long-term care facility or hospice program pursuant to a valid chart order that is signed by the prescribing practitioner, is not time limited, and has not been discontinued.
- (2) A pharmacy may outsource shared pharmacy services for a long-term care facility or hospice program to another pharmacy if the outsourcing pharmacy:
- (a) Obtains approval from the long-term care facility or hospice program to outsource shared pharmacy services for the facility's or program's residents or patients; and
- (b) Provides a copy of the prescription or order to the pharmacy providing the shared pharmacy services.
- (3) Shared pharmacy services may be used for, but are not limited to, the purpose of ensuring that drugs or devices are attainable to meet the immediate needs of residents of the long-term care facility or hospice program, or when the outsourcing pharmacy cannot provide services on an ongoing basis. Where a pharmacy uses shared pharmacy services to have a second pharmacy provide a first dose or partial fill of a prescription or drug order to meet a patient's or resident's immediate needs, the second supplying pharmacy may dispense the first dose or partially filled prescription on a satellite basis without the outsourcing pharmacy being required to fully transfer the prescription to the supplying pharmacy. The supplying pharmacy must retain a copy of the prescription or order on file, a copy of the dispensing record or fill, and must notify the outsourcing pharmacy of the service and quantity
- (4) A pharmacy may repackage and dispense unused drugs returned by a long-term care facility or hospice program to the pharmacy in per-use, blister packaging, whether in unit dose or modified unit dose form, except as prohibited by federal law. The commission must adopt rules providing for the safe and efficient repackaging, reuse, and disposal of unused drugs returned to a pharmacy from a long-term care facility or hospice program. In adopting rules, the commission must take into consideration the acceptance and dispensing requirements of RCW 69.70.050 (1), (2), and (5).

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 18.64 RCW to read as follows:

The commission must adopt reasonable, task-based standards regarding the ratio of pharmacists to pharmacy technicians in a closed door long-term care pharmacy. For the purpose of such standards, a pharmacy technician licensed under chapter 18.64A RCW may not be considered to be practicing as a pharmacy technician while performing administrative tasks not associated with immediate dispensing of drugs that may lawfully be performed by a registered pharmacy assistant. Administrative tasks not associated with immediate dispensing of drugs include but are not necessarily limited to medical records maintenance, billing, prepackaging unit dose drugs, inventory control, delivery, and processing returned drugs.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 18.64 RCW to read as follows:

The commission may adopt rules implementing sections 2 through 5 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 69.41 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) A pharmacy may dispense legend drugs to the resident of a long-term care facility or hospice program on the basis of a written or digitally signed prescription or chart order sent via facsimile copy by the prescriber to the long-term care facility or hospice program, and communicated or transmitted to the pharmacy pursuant to section 2 of this act.
- (2) For the purpose of this section, the terms "long-term care facility," "hospice program," and "chart order" have the meanings provided in RCW 18.64.011.
- Sec. 8. RCW 69.50.308 and 2013 c 276 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:
- (a) A controlled substance may be dispensed only as provided in this section. Prescriptions electronically communicated must also meet the requirements under RCW 69.50.312.
- (b) Except when dispensed directly by a practitioner authorized to prescribe or administer a controlled substance, other than a pharmacy, to an ultimate user, a substance included in Schedule II may not be dispensed without the written or electronically communicated prescription of a practitioner.
- (1) Schedule II narcotic substances may be dispensed by a pharmacy pursuant to a facsimile prescription under the following circumstances:
- (i) The facsimile prescription is transmitted by a practitioner to the pharmacy; and  $\,$
- (ii) The facsimile prescription is for a patient in a long-term care facility or a hospice program ((certified or paid by medicare under Title XVIII of the federal social security act. "Long-term care facility" means nursing homes licensed under chapter 18.51 RCW, assisted living facilities licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW, and adult family homes licensed under chapter 70.128 RCW; or
- (iii) The facsimile prescription is for a patient of a hospice program licensed by the state)); and
- (((iv))) (iii) The practitioner or the practitioner's agent notes on the facsimile prescription that the patient is a long-term care or hospice patient.
- (2) Injectable Schedule II narcotic substances that are to be compounded for patient use may be dispensed by a

- pharmacy pursuant to a facsimile prescription if the facsimile prescription is transmitted by a practitioner to the pharmacy.
- (3) Under (1) and (2) of this subsection the facsimile prescription shall serve as the original prescription and shall be maintained as other Schedule II narcotic substances prescriptions.
- (c) In emergency situations, as defined by rule of the commission, a substance included in Schedule II may be dispensed upon oral prescription of a practitioner, reduced promptly to writing and filed by the pharmacy. Prescriptions shall be retained in conformity with the requirements of RCW 69.50.306.
- (d) A prescription for a substance included in Schedule II may not be refilled. A prescription for a substance included in Schedule II may not be filled more than six months after the date the prescription was issued.
- (e) Except when dispensed directly by a practitioner authorized to prescribe or administer a controlled substance, other than a pharmacy, to an ultimate user, a substance included in Schedule III, IV, or V, which is a prescription drug as determined under RCW 69.04.560, may not be dispensed without a written, oral, or electronically communicated prescription of a practitioner. Any oral prescription must be promptly reduced to writing.
- (f) A written, oral, or electronically communicated prescription for a substance included in Schedule III, IV, or V, which is a prescription drug as determined under RCW 69.04.560, for a resident in a long-term care facility or hospice program may be communicated to the pharmacy by an authorized agent of the prescriber. A registered nurse, pharmacist, or physician practicing in a long-term care facility or hospice program may act as the practitioner's agent for purposes of this section, without need for a written agency agreement.
- (g) The prescription for a substance included in Schedule III, IV, or V may not be filled or refilled more than six months after the date issued by the practitioner or be refilled more than five times, unless renewed by the practitioner.
- (((g))) (h) A valid prescription or lawful order of a practitioner, in order to be effective in legalizing the possession of controlled substances, must be issued in good faith for a legitimate medical purpose by one authorized to prescribe the use of such controlled substance. An order purporting to be a prescription not in the course of professional treatment is not a valid prescription or lawful order of a practitioner within the meaning and intent of this chapter; and the person who knows or should know that the person is filling such an order, as well as the person issuing it, can be charged with a violation of this chapter.
- (((h)))(i) A substance included in Schedule V must be distributed or dispensed only for a medical purpose.
- (((i))) (j) A practitioner may dispense or deliver a controlled substance to or for an individual or animal only for medical treatment or authorized research in the ordinary course of that practitioner's profession. Medical treatment includes dispensing or administering a narcotic drug for pain, including intractable pain.

- (((j))) (k) No administrative sanction, or civil or criminal liability, authorized or created by this chapter may be imposed on a pharmacist for action taken in reliance on a reasonable belief that an order purporting to be a prescription was issued by a practitioner in the usual course of professional treatment or in authorized research.
- (((k))) (1) An individual practitioner may not dispense a substance included in Schedule II, III, or IV for that individual practitioner's personal use.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, the terms "long-term care facility" and "hospice program" have the meaning provided in RCW 18.64.011.
- Sec. 9. RCW 74.42.230 and 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 751 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The resident's attending or staff physician or authorized practitioner approved by the attending physician shall order all medications for the resident. The order may be oral or written and shall ((be limited by time)) continue in effect until discontinued by a physician or other authorized prescriber, unless the order is specifically limited by time. An "authorized practitioner," as used in this section, is a registered nurse under chapter 18.79 RCW when authorized by the nursing care quality assurance commission, an osteopathic physician assistant under chapter 18.57A RCW when authorized by the committee of osteopathic examiners, ((or)) a physician assistant under chapter 18.71A RCW when authorized by the medical quality assurance commission, or a pharmacist under chapter 18.64 RCW when authorized by the pharmacy quality assurance commission.
- (2) An oral order shall be given only to a licensed nurse, pharmacist, or another physician. The oral order shall be recorded and physically or electronically signed immediately by the person receiving the order. The attending physician shall sign the record of the oral order in a manner consistent with good medical practice.
- (3) A licensed nurse, pharmacist, or another physician receiving and recording an oral order may, if so authorized by the physician or authorized practitioner, communicate that order to a pharmacy on behalf of the physician or authorized practitioner. The order may be communicated verbally by telephone, by facsimile manually signed by the person receiving the order pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, or by electronic transmission pursuant to RCW 69.41.055. The communication of a resident's order to a pharmacy by a licensed nurse, pharmacist, or another physician acting at the prescriber's direction has the same force and effect as if communicated directly by the delegating physician or authorized practitioner. Nothing in this provision limits the authority of a licensed nurse, pharmacist, or physician to delegate to an authorized agent, including but not limited to delegation of operation of a facsimile machine by credentialed facility staff, to the extent consistent with his or her professional
- Sec. 10. RCW 69.41.010 and 2013 c 276 s 1 and 2013 c 19 s 55 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter, the following terms have the meanings indicated unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- (1) "Administer" means the direct application of a legend drug whether by injection, inhalation, ingestion, or any other means, to the body of a patient or research subject by:
- (a) A practitioner; or
- (b) The patient or research subject at the direction of the practitioner.
- (2) "Community-based care settings" include: Community residential programs for persons with developmental disabilities, certified by the department of social and health services under chapter 71A.12 RCW; adult family homes licensed under chapter 70.128 RCW; and assisted living facilities licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW. Community-based care settings do not include acute care or skilled nursing facilities.
- (3) "Deliver" or "delivery" means the actual, constructive, or attempted transfer from one person to another of a legend drug, whether or not there is an agency relationship.
- (4) "Department" means the department of health.
- (5) "Dispense" means the interpretation of a prescription or order for a legend drug and, pursuant to that prescription or order, the proper selection, measuring, compounding, labeling, or packaging necessary to prepare that prescription or order for delivery.
- (6) "Dispenser" means a practitioner who dispenses.
- (7) "Distribute" means to deliver other than by administering or dispensing a legend drug.
- (8) "Distributor" means a person who distributes.
- (9) "Drug" means:
- (a) Substances recognized as drugs in the official United States pharmacopoeia, official homeopathic pharmacopoeia of the United States, or official national formulary, or any supplement to any of them;
- (b) Substances intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in human beings or animals;
- (c) Substances (other than food, minerals or vitamins) intended to affect the structure or any function of the body of human beings or animals; and
- (d) Substances intended for use as a component of any article specified in (a), (b), or (c) of this subsection. It does not include devices or their components, parts, or accessories.
- (10) "Electronic communication of prescription information" means the transmission of a prescription or refill authorization for a drug of a practitioner using computer systems. The term does not include a prescription or refill authorization transmitted verbally by telephone nor a facsimile manually signed by the practitioner.
- (11) "In-home care settings" include an individual's place of temporary and permanent residence, but does not include acute care or skilled nursing facilities, and does not include community-based care settings.
- (12) "Legend drugs" means any drugs which are required by state law or regulation of the pharmacy quality assurance commission to be dispensed on

prescription only or are restricted to use by practitioners only.

- (13) "Legible prescription" means a prescription or medication order issued by a practitioner that is capable of being read and understood by the pharmacist filling the prescription or the nurse or other practitioner implementing the medication order. A prescription must be hand printed, typewritten, or electronically generated. (14) "Medication assistance" means assistance rendered by a nonpractitioner to an individual residing in a community-based care setting or in-home care setting to facilitate the individual's self-administration of a legend drug or controlled substance. It includes reminding or coaching the individual, handing the medication container to the individual, opening the individual's medication container, using an enabler, or placing the medication in the individual's hand, and such other means of medication assistance as defined by rule adopted by the department. A nonpractitioner may help in the preparation of legend drugs or controlled substances for self-administration where a practitioner has determined and communicated orally or by written direction that such medication preparation assistance is necessary and appropriate. Medication assistance shall not include assistance with intravenous medications or injectable medications, except prefilled insulin syringes. means individual, corporation, "Person" government or governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate, trust, partnership or association, or any other legal entity.
- (16) "Practitioner" means:
- (a) A physician under chapter 18.71 RCW, an osteopathic physician or an osteopathic physician and surgeon under chapter 18.57 RCW, a dentist under chapter 18.32 RCW, a podiatric physician and surgeon under chapter 18.22 RCW, a veterinarian under chapter 18.92 RCW, a registered nurse, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or licensed practical nurse under chapter 18.79 RCW, an optometrist under chapter 18.53 RCW who is certified by the optometry board under RCW 18.53.010, an osteopathic physician assistant under chapter 18.57A RCW, a physician assistant under chapter 18.71A RCW, a naturopath licensed under chapter 18.36A RCW, a pharmacist under chapter 18.64 RCW, or, when acting under the required supervision of a dentist licensed under chapter 18.32 RCW, a dental hygienist licensed under chapter 18.29 RCW;
- (b) A pharmacy, hospital, or other institution licensed, registered, or otherwise permitted to distribute, dispense, conduct research with respect to, or to administer a legend drug in the course of professional practice or research in this state; and
- (c) A physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery or a physician licensed to practice osteopathic medicine and surgery in any state, or province of Canada, which shares a common border with the state of Washington.
- (17) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's designee.
- (18) "Commission" means the pharmacy quality assurance commission.

Sec. 11. RCW 69.41.030 and 2013 c 71 s 1 and 2013 c 12 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, deliver, or possess any legend drug except upon the order or prescription of a physician under chapter 18.71 RCW, an osteopathic physician and surgeon under chapter 18.57 RCW, an optometrist licensed under chapter 18.53 RCW who is certified by the optometry board under RCW 18.53.010, a dentist under chapter 18.32 RCW, a podiatric physician and surgeon under chapter 18.22 RCW, a veterinarian under chapter 18.92 RCW, a commissioned medical or dental officer in the United States armed forces or public health service in the discharge of his or her official duties, a duly licensed physician or dentist employed by the veterans administration in the discharge of his or her official duties, a registered nurse or advanced registered nurse practitioner under chapter 18.79 RCW when authorized by the nursing care quality assurance commission, a pharmacist licensed under chapter 18.64 RCW to the extent permitted by drug therapy guidelines or protocols established under RCW 18.64.011 and authorized by the ((board of pharmacy)) commission and approved by a practitioner authorized to prescribe drugs, an osteopathic physician assistant under chapter 18.57A RCW when authorized by the board of osteopathic medicine and surgery, a physician assistant under chapter 18.71A RCW when authorized by the medical quality assurance commission, or any of the following professionals in any province of Canada that shares a common border with the state of Washington or in any state of the United States: A physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery or a physician licensed to practice osteopathic medicine and surgery, a dentist licensed to practice dentistry, a podiatric physician and surgeon licensed to practice podiatric medicine and surgery, a licensed advanced registered nurse practitioner, a licensed physician assistant, a licensed osteopathic physician assistant, or a veterinarian licensed to practice veterinary medicine: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That the above provisions shall not apply to sale, delivery, or possession by drug wholesalers or drug manufacturers, or their agents or employees, or to any practitioner acting within the scope of his or her license, or to a common or contract carrier or warehouse operator, or any employee thereof, whose possession of any legend drug is in the usual course of business or employment: PROVIDED FURTHER, That nothing in this chapter or chapter 18.64 RCW shall prevent a family planning clinic that is under contract with the health care authority from selling, delivering, possessing, and dispensing commercially prepackaged oral contraceptives prescribed by authorized, licensed health care practitioners.

- (2)(a) A violation of this section involving the sale, delivery, or possession with intent to sell or deliver is a class B felony punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW
- (b) A violation of this section involving possession is a misdemeanor.
- Sec. 12. RCW 69.41.032 and 1987 c 41 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter shall not prevent a medicare-approved dialysis center or facility operating a medicare-approved home dialysis program from selling, delivering, possessing, or dispensing directly to its dialysis patients, in case or full shelf lots, if prescribed by a physician licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW, those legend drugs determined by the ((board)) commission pursuant to rule.

Sec. 13. RCW 69.41.042 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 405 are each amended to read as follows:

A pharmaceutical manufacturer, wholesaler, pharmacy, or practitioner who purchases, dispenses, or distributes legend drugs shall maintain invoices or such other records as are necessary to account for the receipt and disposition of the legend drugs.

The records maintained pursuant to this section shall be available for inspection by the ((board)) commission and its authorized representatives and shall be maintained for two years.

Sec. 14. RCW 69.41.044 and 2005 c 274 s 328 are each amended to read as follows:

All records, reports, and information obtained by the ((board)) commission or its authorized representatives from or on behalf of a pharmaceutical manufacturer, representative of a manufacturer, wholesaler, pharmacy, or practitioner who purchases, dispenses, or distributes legend drugs under this chapter are confidential and exempt from public inspection and copying under chapter 42.56 RCW. Nothing in this section restricts the investigations or the proceedings of the ((board)) commission so long as the ((board)) commission and its authorized representatives comply with the provisions of chapter 42.56 RCW.

Sec. 15. RCW 69.41.055 and 1998 c 222 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) Information concerning an original prescription or information concerning a prescription refill for a legend drug may be electronically communicated between an authorized practitioner and a pharmacy of the patient's choice with no intervening person having access to the prescription drug order pursuant to the provisions of this chapter if the electronically communicated prescription information complies with the following:
- (a) Electronically communicated prescription information must comply with all applicable statutes and rules regarding the form, content, recordkeeping, and processing of a prescription or order for a legend drug;
- (b) The system used for transmitting electronically communicated prescription information and the system used for receiving electronically communicated prescription information must be approved by the ((board)) commission. This subsection does not apply to currently used facsimile equipment transmitting an exact visual image of the prescription. The ((board)) commission shall maintain and provide, upon request, a list of systems used for electronically communicating prescription information currently approved by the ((board)) commission;
- (c) An explicit opportunity for practitioners must be made to indicate their preference on whether or not a therapeutically equivalent generic drug or interchangeable biological product may be substituted.

This section does not limit the ability of practitioners and pharmacists to permit substitution by default under a prior-consent authorization;

- (d) Prescription drug orders are confidential health information, and may be released only to the patient or the patient's authorized representative, the prescriber or other authorized practitioner then caring for the patient, or other persons specifically authorized by law to receive such information;
- (e) To maintain confidentiality of prescription records, the electronic system shall have adequate security and systems safeguards designed to prevent and detect unauthorized access, modification, or manipulation of these records. The pharmacist in charge shall establish or verify the existence of policies and procedures which ensure the integrity and confidentiality of prescription information transmitted to the pharmacy by electronic means. All managers, employees, and agents of the pharmacy are required to read, sign, and comply with the established policies and procedures; and
- (f) The pharmacist shall exercise professional judgment regarding the accuracy, validity, and authenticity of the prescription drug order received by way of electronic transmission, consistent with federal and state laws and rules and guidelines of the ((board)) commission.
- (2) The electronic or digital signature of the prescribing practitioner's agent on behalf of the prescribing practitioner for a resident in a long-term care facility or hospice program, pursuant to a valid order and authorization under section 2 of this act, constitutes a valid electronic communication of prescription information. Such an authorized signature and transmission by an agent in a long-term care facility or hospice program does not constitute an intervening person having access to the prescription drug order.
- (3) The ((board)) commission may adopt rules implementing this section.
- Sec. 16. RCW 69.41.220 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 428 are each amended to read as follows:
- Each manufacturer and distributor shall publish and provide to the ((board)) commission by filing with the department printed material which will identify each current imprint used by the manufacturer or distributor. The ((board)) commission shall be notified of any change by the filing of any change with the department. This information shall be provided by the department to all pharmacies licensed in the state of Washington, poison control centers, and hospital emergency rooms. Sec. 17. RCW 18.64.245 and 2013 c 19 s 17 are each
- sec. 17. RCW 18.64.245 and 2013 c 19 s 17 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Every proprietor or manager of a pharmacy shall keep readily available a suitable record of prescriptions which shall preserve for a period of not less than two years the record of every prescription dispensed at such pharmacy which shall be numbered, dated, and filed, and shall produce the same in court or before any grand jury whenever lawfully required to do so. The record shall be maintained either separately from all other records of the pharmacy or in such form that the information required is readily retrievable from ordinary business records of the pharmacy. All recordkeeping requirements for controlled substances must be complied with. Such

- record of prescriptions shall be for confidential use in the pharmacy, only. The record of prescriptions shall be open for inspection by the commission or any officer of the law, who is authorized to enforce this chapter ((18.64,)) or chapter 69.41((,)) or 69.50 RCW.
- (2) When a pharmacy receives a prescription in digital or electronic format through facsimile equipment transmitting an exact visual image of the prescription, or through electronic communication of prescription information, the digital or electronic record of every such prescription dispensed at the pharmacy constitutes a suitable record of prescriptions, provided that the original or direct copy of the prescription is electronically or digitally numbered or referenced, dated, and filed in a form that permits the information required to be readily retrievable.
- (3) A person violating this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- Sec. 18. RCW 18.64.500 and 2013 c 19 s 30 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) ((Effective July 1, 2010,)) Every prescription written in this state by a licensed practitioner must be written on a tamper-resistant prescription pad or paper approved by the commission.
- (2) A pharmacist may not fill a written prescription from a licensed practitioner unless it is written on an approved tamper-resistant prescription pad or paper, except that a pharmacist may provide emergency supplies in accordance with the commission and other insurance contract requirements.
- (3) If a hard copy of an electronic prescription is given directly to the patient, the manually signed hard copy prescription must be on approved tamper-resistant paper that meets the requirements of this section.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, "tamper-resistant prescription pads or paper" means a prescription pad or paper that has been approved by the commission for use and contains the following characteristics:
- (a) One or more industry-recognized features designed to prevent unauthorized copying of a completed or blank prescription form;
- (b) One or more industry-recognized features designed to prevent the erasure or modification of information written on the prescription form by the practitioner; and (c) One or more industry-recognized features designed to prevent the use of counterfeit prescription forms.
- (5) Practitioners shall employ reasonable safeguards to assure against theft or unauthorized use of prescriptions.
- (6) All vendors must have their tamper-resistant prescription pads or paper approved by the commission prior to the marketing or sale of pads or paper in Washington state.
- (7) The commission shall create a seal of approval that confirms that a pad or paper contains all three industry-recognized characteristics required by this section. The seal must be affixed to all prescription pads or paper used in this state.
- (8) The commission may adopt rules necessary for the administration of chapter 328, Laws of 2009.
- (9) The tamper-resistant prescription pad or paper requirements in this section shall not apply to:

- (a) Prescriptions that are transmitted to the pharmacy by telephone, facsimile, or electronic means; or
- (b) Prescriptions written for inpatients of a hospital, outpatients of a hospital, residents of a ((nursing home)) long-term care facility, patients of a hospice program, inpatients or residents of a mental health facility, or individuals incarcerated in a local, state, or federal correction facility, when the health care practitioner authorized to write prescriptions, or his or her authorized agent, writes the order into the patient's medical or clinical record, the order is given directly to the pharmacy, and the patient never has the opportunity to handle the written order.
- (10) All acts related to the prescribing, dispensing, and records maintenance of all prescriptions shall be in compliance with applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Rodne; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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### 2SSB 6239

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Providing local governments with options to preserve affordable housing in their communities. Reported by Committee on Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that:

- (1) Families, senior citizens, and workers with fewer financial resources are more likely to experience unhealthy and unsafe housing conditions;
- (2) Healthy homes promote good physical and mental health. When adequate housing protects individuals and families from harmful exposures and provides them with a sense of privacy, security, stability, and control, it can make important contributions to health and well-being;
- (3) Affordable housing is a necessary component of strong, thriving neighborhoods with healthy physical and social environments;
- (4) Very low-income household renters should have the opportunity to live in homes in neighborhoods close to major infrastructure investments like transit, quality schools for children, and vital services like health care, grocery shopping, and employment;
- (5) Community members with critical occupations, senior citizens, and families are struggling to afford rent around the state;
- (6) Rising rents are causing the displacement of very low-income household renters and long-time

- community members, risking the loss of cultural communities;
- (7) Nonprofit property owners require additional resources to make health, safety, and quality improvements to buildings without raising rents to pay for repairs; and
- (8) Communities need a wide range of local tools to create healthy, affordable homes and address affordable housing needs.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. It is the purpose of this chapter to give communities a local option to preserve and increase healthy, high-quality affordable rental housing opportunities for very low-income households for which the governing authority has found that there are insufficient healthy affordable housing opportunities. It is also the purpose of this chapter to ensure that housing opportunities are affordable to renters at below-market rent levels, as determined by the governing authority, with consideration of community needs, market rental costs, and income levels of renters.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Energy and water efficiency standards" means housing that meets standards substantially equivalent to evergreen sustainable development standards, as established by the Washington state department of commerce.
- (2) "Governing authority" means the local legislative authority of a city or county having jurisdiction over the property for which an exemption may be applied under this chapter.
- (3) "Health and quality standards" means standards substantially equivalent to uniform physical condition standards, as established by the United States department of housing and urban development, or the national healthy housing standard, as established by the national center for healthy housing and the American public health association. Governing authority may use a residential housing inspection program within the jurisdiction that has established the tax exemption, as long as the standards are substantially equivalent to uniform physical condition standards or the national healthy housing standard.
- (4) "High-cost area" means a county where the third quarter median house price for the previous year as reported by the Runstad center for real estate studies at the University of Washington is equal to or greater than one hundred thirty percent of the statewide median house price published during the same time period.
- (5) "Household" means a single person, family, or unrelated persons living together.
- (6) "Low-income households" means a single person, family, or unrelated persons living together whose adjusted income is at or below sixty percent of the median family income adjusted for family size, for the county in which the project is located, as reported by the United States department of housing and urban development.
- (7) "Multifamily dwelling" means a building consisting of more than one dwelling unit, as further defined by the governing authority.

- (8) "Nonprofit" or "nonprofit entity" means a nonprofit that is exempt from federal income taxation under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as amended.
- (9) "Owner" means the property owner of record.
- (10) "Permanent residential occupancy" means housing that provides rental occupancy on a nontransient basis. "Permanent residential occupancy" includes rental accommodation that is leased for a period of at least one month. "Permanent residential occupancy" excludes hotels and motels that predominately offer rental accommodation on a daily or weekly basis.
- (11) "Property" means a multifamily dwelling not designed as transient accommodations, and the land upon which the dwelling is located. "Property" excludes hotels or motels. "Property" may also include a single-family dwelling and the land upon which the dwelling is located if the governing authority adopts a program for such property as provided in section 9(1)(e) of this act.
- (12) "Rehabilitation improvements" means modifications to existing property made to achieve substantial compliance with health and quality standards or energy and water efficiency standards.
- (13) "Single-family dwelling unit" means an individual detached dwelling, as further defined by the governing authority.
- (14) "Very low-income household" means a single person, family, or unrelated persons living together whose adjusted income is at or below fifty percent of the median family income adjusted for family size, for the county in which the project is located, as reported by the United States department of housing and urban development. For cities located in high-cost areas, "very low-income household" means a household that has an income at or below sixty percent of the median family income adjusted for family size, for the county in which the project is located.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A city governing authority may adopt a property tax exemption program to preserve affordable housing that meets health and quality standards for very low-income households at risk of displacement or that cannot afford market-rate housing. A county governing authority may adopt a property tax exemption program for unincorporated areas of the county to preserve affordable housing that meets health and quality standards for very low-income households at risk of displacement or that cannot afford market-rate housing.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. (1) Only properties owned by a nonprofit entity may qualify for a property tax exemption program under this chapter.
- (2) Upon adoption of a property tax exemption program, the governing authority must establish standards for very low-income household rental housing under this chapter, including rent limits and income guidelines consistent with local housing needs, to assist very low-income households that cannot afford market-rate housing. Affordable housing units must be:
- (a) Below market rent levels as determined by the governing authority; and

- (b) Affordable to households with an income of fifty percent or less of the county median family income, adjusted for family size.
- (3)(a) The governing authority, after holding a public hearing, may also establish lower income levels or lower rent levels adjusted to serve very low-income household renters in the community.
- (b) The governing authority of a high-cost area, after holding a public hearing, may also establish higher income levels. The higher income level may not exceed sixty percent of the county area median family income, adjusted for family size.
- (4) Rent levels for affordable housing units may not exceed thirty percent of the income limit for the very low-income housing unit, as established by the governing authority, and must include tenant-paid utilities other than telephone and any mandatory fees required as a condition of tenancy.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. (1) The value of residential real property qualifying under this chapter is exempt from ad valorem property taxation, except taxes levied by the state, for a period of fifteen successive years beginning January 1st of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which a certificate of tax exemption is filed with the county assessor in accordance with section 12 of this act.
- (2) The governing authority may extend the duration of the exemption period by three years for properties meeting energy and water efficiency standards.
- (3) The incentive provided under this chapter is in addition to any tax credits, grants, or other incentives provided by law.
- (4) This chapter neither applies to increases in assessed valuation made by the assessor on nonqualifying portions of building or land nor to increases made by lawful order of a county board of equalization, the department of revenue, or a county, to a class of property throughout the county or specific area of the county to achieve the uniformity of assessment or appraisal required by law.
- (5) The exemption does not apply to any county property tax unless the legislative authority of the county adopts a resolution and notifies the governing authority of the jurisdiction within the county that has established a tax exempt program of its intent to allow the property to be exempt.
- (6) The governing authority must notify local taxing districts in the designated exemption area when a tax exemption program is established under this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. To be eligible for the exemption from property taxation under this chapter, in addition to other requirements set forth in this chapter, the property must be in compliance with the following applicable requirements for the entire exemption period:
- (1) The property must be owned by a nonprofit entity;
- (2)(a) A minimum of twenty-five percent of units in a multiple-unit property subject to tax exemption must be affordable as described in section 5 of this act. A governing authority may require more than twenty-five percent affordable units in multiple-unit housing buildings subject to tax exemption to address local market conditions. Affordable units must be comparable

- in terms of quality and living conditions to market rate units in the building.
- (b) If a nonprofit entity acquires a property that meets the requirements under (a) of this subsection, and which also had within the previous twelve-month period at least an additional twenty-five percent of its units affordable to low-income households, then the property must continue to provide no less than the same number of additional units affordable to low-income households or very low-income households;
- (3) At least ninety percent of the units of multiple-unit property must be occupied by tenants at the time of application;
- (4) The property must be part of a residential or mixeduse (residential and nonresidential) project;
- (5) The property must provide for a minimum of fifty percent of the space in each building for permanent residential occupancy;
- (6) The property must meet guidelines as adopted by the governing authority that may include height, density, public benefit features, number and size of proposed development, parking, income limits for occupancy, limits on rents, health and quality standards, and other adopted requirements indicated as necessary by the governing authority. The required amenities should be relative to the size of the project and tax benefit to be obtained; and
- (7) The nonprofit property owner must enter into a contract with the city or county approved by the governing authority, or an administrative official or commission authorized by the governing authority, under which the nonprofit property owner has agreed to terms and conditions satisfactory to the governing authority.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. (1) To be eligible for the exemption from taxation under this chapter, the property must also comply with all applicable land use regulations, zoning requirements, and building and housing code requirements, including space and occupancy, structural, mechanical, fire, safety, and security standards, and health and quality standards. The governing authority may establish additional standards to meet local needs.
- (2)(a) The governing authority may waive certain health and quality standards for up to two years if the owner of the nonprofit property submits a rehabilitation plan to comply with health and quality standards. The nonprofit owner must notify the governing authority at the time of completion of rehabilitation. The waiver of certain health and quality standards only applies to rehabilitation improvements specifically included in the rehabilitation plan.
- (b) The governing authority must establish minimum health and quality standards for properties to qualify for a waiver under (a) of this subsection. The governing authority may not waive health and quality standards that endanger or impair the health and safety of any tenant
- (c) Nothing in this subsection may exempt or waive any obligations under federal, state, and local laws.
- (3) The property must be inspected for compliance with subsections (1) and (2) of this section at the time of

- application for tax exemption and, thereafter, as established by the governing authority at least once every three years.
- (4) If the governing authority grants a waiver of certain health and quality standards under subsection (2) of this section, the property must be inspected when the nonprofit owner notifies the governing authority that rehabilitation has been completed or at the end of the waiver period, whichever occurs first.
- (5) The governing authority or its duly authorized representative may deny an application for tax exemption or revoke an existing exemption under this chapter for failure to comply with health and quality standards.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. (1) The governing authority may establish additional requirements for tax exemption eligibility or program rules under this chapter including, but not limited to:
- (a) A limit on the total number of affordable housing units subject to exemption under this chapter;
- (b) The designation of targeted residential areas for property to align with community needs, including to prevent displacement, preserve cultural communities, and provide affordable housing options near community infrastructure such as transportation or public schools;
- (c) Standards for property size, unit size, unit type, mix of unit types, or mix of unit sizes;
- (d) An exemption extension for property meeting minimum energy and water efficiency standards substantially equivalent to evergreen sustainable development building performance standards;
- (e) A program for single-family dwelling rental units occupied by tenants complying with affordability requirements under this chapter as adopted by the governing authority;
- (f) Any additional requirements to reduce displacement of very low-income household tenants.
- (2) The governing authority must adopt and implement standards and guidelines to be utilized in considering applications and making the determinations required under this chapter. The standards and guidelines must establish basic requirements to include:
- (a) An application process and procedures;
- (b) Guidelines that may include height, density, public benefit features, number and size of proposed development, parking, income limits for occupancy, limits on rents, health and quality standards, and other adopted requirements indicated as necessary by the governing authority. The required amenities should be relative to the size of the project and tax benefit to be obtained:
- (c) An inspection policy and procedures to ensure the property complies with housing and health and quality standards;
- (d) Income and rent limits as required under section 5 of this act; and
- (e) Documentation necessary to establish income eligibility of households in affordable housing units.
- (3) Standards may apply to part or all of a jurisdiction and different standards may be applied to different areas within a jurisdiction or to different types of development. Programs authorized under this section

may be modified to meet local needs and may include provisions not expressly provided in this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. A nonprofit property owner making an application under this chapter must apply by August 1st of the year prior to the first calendar year in which the taxes for collection are to be considered for exemption and meet the following requirements:

- (1) The applicant must apply to the city or county on forms adopted by the governing authority. The application must contain the following:
- (a) Information setting forth the grounds supporting the requested exemption, including information indicated on the application form or in the guidelines;
- (b) A description of the project and site plan, including the floor plan of units and other information requested;
- (c) A statement that the applicant is aware of the potential tax liability involved when the property ceases to be eligible for the incentive provided under this chapter;
- (d) When the governing authority finds that rehabilitation is required to meet health and quality standards or evergreen sustainable development building performance standards, a rehabilitation plan outlining rehabilitation improvements, budget, and proposed schedule for repairs; and
- (e) A certification of family size and annual income in a form acceptable to the governing authority for designated affordable housing units;
- (2) The applicant must verify the application by oath or affirmation; and
- (3) The applicant must submit a fee, if any, with the application as required under this chapter. The governing authority may permit the applicant to revise an application before final action by the governing authority.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. (1) Upon receipt of an application meeting the requirements of section 10 of this act, the governing authority must inspect the property to certify compliance with health and quality standards or to grant a waiver upon submission of a rehabilitation plan by the nonprofit owner of the property.

- (2) The duly authorized administrative official or committee of the governing authority may approve the application if it finds that:
- (a) The property meets affordable housing requirements as described in section 5 of this act;
- (b) The property meets health and quality standards, or a waiver is granted upon submission of a rehabilitation plan by the nonprofit property owner;
- (c) The property rehabilitation plan is of appropriate scope to be completed within the designated time frame of waiver and will result in property compliance with health and quality standards, as outlined in section 8 of this act; and
- (d) The nonprofit owner has complied with all standards and guidelines adopted by the governing authority under this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. (1) The governing authority, or an administrative official or commission authorized by the governing authority, must approve or deny an application filed under this chapter within one hundred

twenty days. The governing authority may adopt standards to extend the period to approve or deny an application filed under this chapter for a property that does not meet health and quality standards.

(2)(a) If the application is approved, the governing authority must issue the nonprofit property owner a certificate of tax exemption and file the certificate of exemption with the county assessor no later than December 1st of the year prior to the first calendar year in which the taxes for collection are to be exempt. If the certificate of exemption is filed after December 1st and before January 1st, the certificate of exemption is deemed filed in the next calendar year. The certificate must contain a statement by a duly authorized administrative official of the governing authority that the property has complied with the required findings indicated in this chapter.

- (b) The governing authority may issue a conditional certificate of acceptance of tax exemption if a property must complete a rehabilitation plan in order to comply with health and quality standards. The rehabilitation must be completed within two years of the date of application for a tax exemption.
- (3)(a) If the application is denied by the authorized administrative official or commission authorized by the governing authority, the deciding administrative official or commission must state in writing the reasons for denial and send the notice to the applicant at the applicant's last known address within ten days of the denial
- (b) Upon denial by the authorized administrative official or commission, an applicant may appeal the denial to the governing authority within thirty days after receipt of the denial. The appeal before the governing authority must be based upon the record made before the administrative official or commission with the burden of proof on the applicant to show that there was no substantial evidence to support the administrative official or commission's decision. The decision of the governing body in denying or approving the application is final.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. The governing authority may establish an application fee or other fees to not exceed an amount determined to be required to cover the cost to be incurred by the governing authority and the assessor in administering this chapter. The application fee, if established, must be paid at the time the application is submitted. If the application is approved, the governing authority must pay the application fee to the county assessor for deposit in the county current expense fund, after first deducting that portion of the fee attributable to its own administrative costs in processing the application. If the application is denied, the governing authority may retain that portion of the application fee attributable to its own administrative costs and refund the balance to the applicant.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. The authorized representative of the governing authority must notify the applicant that a certificate of tax exemption will be denied or canceled if the authorized representative determines that:

(1) The affordable housing requirements as described in section 5 of this act were not met;

- (2) The property did not meet health and quality standards; or
- (3) The nonprofit owner's property is otherwise not qualified for limited exemption under this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. (1) The nonprofit owner of property receiving a tax exemption under this chapter must obtain from each tenant living in designated affordable housing units, no less than annually, a certification of family size and annual income in a form acceptable to the governing authority.
- (2) The nonprofit property owner must file a report at least annually by a date established by the governing authority indicating the following:
- (a) Family size and annual income for each tenant living in designated affordable housing rental units and a statement that the property is in compliance with affordable housing requirements described in section 5 of this act;
- (b) A statement of occupancy and vacancy;
- (c) A schedule of rents charged in market-rate units;
- (d) A certification that the property has not changed use;
- (e) A description of changes or improvements;
- (f) When rehabilitation is required to meet health and quality standards or evergreen sustainable development building performance standards, a progress report on compliance with the rehabilitation plan, budget, and proposed schedule for repairs; and
- (g) Any other information required to determine compliance with program requirements or to measure program performance.
- (3) A governing authority that issues certificates of tax exemption for property that conform to the requirements of this chapter must report annually by July 1st to the department of commerce the following information:
- (a) The number of tax exemption certificates granted;
- (b) The number and type of units in building properties receiving a tax exemption;
- (c) The number and type of units meeting affordable housing requirements;
- (d) The total monthly rent amount for each affordable and market-rate unit; and
- (e) The value of the tax exemption for each project receiving a tax exemption and the total value of tax exemptions granted.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 16. (1) After a certificate of exemption has been filed with the county assessor, the tax exemption must be canceled by the authorized representative of the governing authority under the following circumstances:
- (a) The owner intends to convert the property to another use that is not residential or the owner intends to discontinue compliance with affordable housing requirements;
- (b) The owner fails to file annual reports;
- (c) The owner fails to maintain the property in substantial compliance with all applicable local building, safety, and health code requirements;
- (d) The owner fails to complete rehabilitation improvements as outlined in the rehabilitation plan;
- (e) The owner fails to meet affordable housing requirements; or

- (f) The property is transferred to an owner who is not a nonprofit entity.
- (2)(a) Notification of a canceled certificate of exemption must be made by the governing authority or authorized representative of the governing authority to the county assessor within thirty days of the cancellation. Upon notice of a canceled tax exemption certificate, additional real property tax must be imposed upon the value of the improvements and land that no longer qualify for exemption under this chapter in the amount that would have been imposed had the property not been exempt under this act, plus a penalty of twenty percent of the additional tax. This additional tax is calculated from January 1st of the year the certificate of tax exemption first became effective.
- (b) Interest must be included upon the amounts of the additional tax at the same rate charged on delinquent property taxes from the dates on which the additional tax could have been paid without penalty if the property had been assessed at a value without regard to this chapter.
- (c) The additional tax, penalty, and interest must be collected by the county treasurer. The additional tax must be distributed by the county treasurer in the same manner in which current property taxes applicable to the subject property are distributed. The additional taxes, penalty, and interest must be payable in full thirty days following the date on which the treasurer's statement of additional tax due is issued.
- (d) The additional tax owed together with the interest and penalty becomes a lien on the land and attaches at the time the property or portion of the property is removed from use as affordable housing or the amenities no longer meet applicable requirements, and has priority to and must be fully paid and satisfied before a recognizance, mortgage, judgment, debt, obligation, or responsibility to or with which the land may become charged or liable. The lien may be foreclosed upon the expiration of the same period after delinquency and in the same manner provided by law for foreclosure of liens for delinquent real property taxes. An additional tax unpaid on its due date is delinquent.
- (e) The county auditor may not accept an instrument of conveyance unless the additional tax, interest, and penalty has been paid or the governing authority or authorized representative has determined that the property is not subject to the additional tax, interest, or penalty.
- (f) A certificate of exemption may be continued for the remainder of the exemption period upon sale or transfer of all or a portion of the exempt property to a new nonprofit owner, if the new nonprofit owner has signed a notice of exemption continuance. The notice of exemption continuance must be in a form approved by the governing authority or its authorized representative. If the notice of continuance is not signed by the new nonprofit owner and attached to the real estate excise tax affidavit, all additional tax, penalty, and interest calculated in accordance with this section become due and payable by the owner, including the seller or transferor, at time of sale.
- (3) Upon a determination that a property tax exemption is to be canceled for any reason stated in this section, the

governing authority or authorized representative of the governing authority must notify the record nonprofit owner of the property as shown by the tax rolls by mail, return receipt requested, of the determination to cancel the exemption. The nonprofit owner may appeal the determination to the governing authority or authorized representative within thirty days by filing a notice of appeal with the clerk of the governing authority, which must specify the factual and legal basis on which the determination of cancellation is alleged to be erroneous. The governing authority or a hearing examiner or other official authorized by the governing authority may hear the appeal. At the hearing, all affected parties may be heard and all competent evidence received. After the hearing, the deciding body or officer must either affirm, modify, or repeal the decision of cancellation of exemption based on the evidence received. An aggrieved party may appeal the decision of the deciding body or officer to the superior court under RCW 34.05.510 through 34.05.598.

(4) Upon the expiration of the exemption period or upon cancellation of the exemption, the value of new construction or improvements to the property, not previously considered as new construction during the exemption period, must be considered as new construction for purposes of calculating levies under chapter 84.55 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 17. Tenant identifying information and income data obtained by the governing authority and the assessor may be used only to administer this affordable housing exemption. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, absent written consent by the person about whom the information or facts have been obtained, the tenant identifying information and income data may not be disclosed by the jurisdiction or assessor or their agents or employees to anyone other than their agents or employees except in an administrative or judicial proceeding pertaining to the taxpayer's entitlement to the tax exemption.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 18. The exemption in this chapter applies to taxes levied for collection in 2017 and thereafter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 19. Sections 1 through 18 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 84 RCW."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Ryu, Chair; Robinson, Vice Chair; Appleton and Sawyer.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Wilson, Ranking Minority Member; Zeiger, Assistant Ranking Minority Member and Hickel.

Passed to Committee on Finance.

February 26, 2016

E2SSB 6242

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Requiring the indeterminate sentence review board to provide certain notices upon receiving a petition for early release. Reported by Committee on

General Government & Information Technology

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Hudgins, Chair; Kuderer, Vice Chair; MacEwen, Ranking Minority Member; Caldier, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Johnson; Morris and Senn.

Passed to Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

February 25, 2016

SB 6245 Prime Sponsor, Senator Litzow: Concerning visual screening in schools. Reported by Committee on Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Santos, Chair; Ortiz-Self, Vice Chair; Reykdal, Vice Chair; Magendanz, Ranking Minority Member; Muri, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Stambaugh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Caldier; Griffey; Hargrove; Harris; Hayes; Kilduff; Klippert; Kuderer; McCaslin; Orwall; Pollet; Rossetti and Springer.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 24, 2016

SSB 6261

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Concerning human remains. Reported by Committee on Public Safety

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 68.50.050 and 2011 c 96 s 48 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Any person, not authorized or directed by the coroner or ((his)) medical examiner or ((her)) their deputies, who removes the body of a deceased person not claimed by a relative or friend, or ((who came to their death by reason of violence or from unnatural causes or where there shall exist reasonable grounds for the belief that such death has been caused by unlawful means at the hands of another)) moves, disturbs, molests, or interferes with the human remains coming within the jurisdiction of the coroner or medical examiner as set forth in RCW 68.50.010, to any undertaking rooms or elsewhere, or any person who knowingly directs, aids, or abets such unauthorized moving, disturbing, molesting, or taking, and any person who ((in any way)) knowingly conceals the ((body of a deceased person for the purpose of taking the same to any undertaking rooms or elsewhere)) human remains, shall in each of said cases be guilty of a gross misdemeanor ((and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by fine of not more than one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for up to three hundred sixty-four days or by both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court)).

- (2) In evaluating whether it is necessary to retain jurisdiction and custody of human remains under RCW 68.50.010, 68.50.645, and 27.44.055, the coroner or medical examiner shall consider the deceased's religious beliefs, if known, including the tenets, customs, or rites related to death and burial.
- (3) For purposes of this section and unless the context clearly requires otherwise, "human remains" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 68.04.020. Human remains also includes, but is not limited to, skeletal remains.
- Sec. 2. RCW 68.50.020 and 1987 c 331 s 55 are each amended to read as follows:

It shall be the duty of every person who knows of the existence and location of ((a dead body)) human remains coming under the jurisdiction of the coroner or medical examiner as set forth in RCW 68.50.010 or 27.44.055, to notify the coroner, medical examiner, or law enforcement thereof in the most expeditious manner possible, unless such person shall have good reason to believe that such notice has already been given. Any person knowing of the existence of such ((dead body)) human remains and not having good reason to believe that the coroner has notice thereof and who shall fail to give notice to the coroner as aforesaid, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. For purposes of this section and unless the context clearly requires otherwise, "human remains" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 68.04.020. Human remains also includes, but is not limited to, skeletal remains."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Goodman, Chair; Orwall, Vice Chair; Klippert, Ranking Minority Member; Hayes, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Appleton; Griffey; Moscoso; Pettigrew and Wilson.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 25, 2016

SB 6291

Prime Sponsor, Senator Braun: Authorizing the use of weighted grade point averages for accelerated courses. Reported by Committee on Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature finds that there have been significant legislative efforts dedicated to providing opportunities for the academic acceleration of students. An example of these efforts is the enactment of legislation encouraging school districts to adopt policies that automatically enroll students in the most rigorous advanced courses available, with the objective being that students will eventually enroll in dual credit courses.

(2) However, the legislature recognizes that, contrary to acceleration preferences, students may have disincentives for taking more rigorous coursework, including honors courses, AP courses, international

baccalaureate courses, and dual credit courses, for fear of diminishing their ability to enroll in the postsecondary school of their choice. The legislature finds that one aspect of this disincentive may be that districts are not authorized to use a weighted grade point average system that appropriately recognizes student achievement in accelerated courses, or a standardized high school transcript that would reflect this system.

(3) The legislature therefore intends to convene a task force to examine the policy considerations of authorizing school districts to use a weighted grade point average system and a modified high school transcript that would accompany the weighted system.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. (1)(a) A legislative task force on weighted grade point average systems is established, with members as provided in this subsection.

- (i) The president of the senate shall appoint one member from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate. Members appointed under this subsection (1)(a)(i) must be from different political parties.
- (ii) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint one member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of representatives.
- (iii) The president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives shall jointly appoint one nonvoting member from each of the following organizations:
- (A) The state board of education;
- (B) The Washington state school directors' association;
- (C) The state board for community and technical colleges;
- (D) The workforce training and education coordinating board;
- (E) The Washington student achievement council;
- (F) The Washington association of school administrators;
- (G) The association of Washington school principals;
- (H) The Washington state council of presidents; and
- (I) The independent colleges of Washington.
- (iv) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall cooperate with the task force and maintain a liaison representative, who shall be a nonvoting member.
- (b) The task force shall choose its cochairs from among its legislative membership. The appointee from the largest caucus of the house of representatives shall, on or before July 15, 2016, convene the initial meeting of the task force.
- (2) The task force shall review the following issues:
- (a) The implementation of weighted grade point average systems in other states;
- (b) How weighted grade point average systems have affected college admissions practices and considerations in other states, and how such systems might affect college admissions practices and considerations in Washington, both for in-state and out-of-state applicants:
- (c) The implementation of weighted grade point average systems, for internal purposes only, by Washington high schools;
- (d) Technical considerations associated with the implementation of a weighted grade point average system in Washington, including:

- (i) Requirements that may need to be adopted by rule;
- (ii) The development of appropriate technical guidance for school districts;
- (iii) The appropriate level of standardization for a weighted grade point average system;
- (iv) A determination of what criteria to apply, and what level of local discretion to permit, when determining whether a course qualifies as an accelerated course under a weighted grade point average system;
- (e) How dual credit programs should be addressed in a weighted grade point average system;
- (f) If recommended, whether the implementation of a weighted grade point average system in Washington should be optional or mandatory:
- (g) The development of a timeline for the implementation of a weighted grade point average system in Washington, including the development of a multiphase pilot program in school districts located east and west of the crest of the Cascade mountains; and
- (h) Other related issues the task force deems appropriate.
- (3) Staff support for the task force must be provided by senate committee services and the house of representatives office of program research.
- (4) Legislative members of the task force are reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer, governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.
- (5) The expenses of the task force must be paid jointly by the senate and the house of representatives. Task force expenditures are subject to approval by the senate facilities and operations committee and the house of representatives executive rules committee, or their successor committees.
- (6) The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the governor, the superintendent of public instruction, and, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, the appropriate education committees of the house of representatives and the senate. Preliminary recommendations of the task force must be provided to recipients in accordance with this subsection by September 1, 2016, with final recommendations, which may include minority recommendations, submitted by December 1, 2016.
- (7) This section expires August 1, 2017." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Santos, Chair; Ortiz-Self, Vice Chair; Reykdal, Vice Chair; Magendanz, Ranking Minority Member; Muri, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Stambaugh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Caldier; Harris; Hayes; Kilduff; Kuderer; Orwall; Pollet; Rossetti and Springer.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Klippert and McCaslin.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representatives Griffey and Hargrove.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 25, 2016

### ESSB 6293

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Commerce & Labor: Addressing student volunteers and unpaid students. Reported by Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that: (1) School-sponsored, unpaid work-based learning, including cooperative education, clinical experiences, and internship programs are a valuable component of many college certifications and degrees; (2) the opportunity to provide labor and industries' medical aid coverage to students in these programs will encourage employers to participate in school-sponsored, unpaid work-based learning, potentially improving employment opportunities for students; and (3) education improves economic viability in communities and in the state of Washington.

Sec. 2. RCW 51.12.170 and 1994 c 246 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) An employer covered under this title may elect to include student volunteers or unpaid students as employees or workers for all purposes relating to medical aid benefits under chapter 51.36 RCW. The employer shall give notice of its intent to cover all of its student volunteers or unpaid students to the director prior to the occurrence of the injury or contraction of an occupational disease.
- (2) A student volunteer is an enrolled student in a ((public)) school as defined in RCW 28A.150.010 or in a state public or private institution of higher education, who is participating as a volunteer under a program authorized by the ((public)) school. The student volunteer shall perform duties for the employer without wages. The student volunteer shall be deemed to be a volunteer even if the student is granted maintenance and reimbursement for actual expenses necessarily incurred in performing his or her assigned or authorized duties. A person who earns wages for the services performed is not a student volunteer.
- (3) An unpaid student is an enrolled student in a state public or private institution of higher education who is participating in an unpaid work-based learning program authorized by the school. The unpaid student shall perform duties for the employer without wages but receives credit towards completing the school program, certification, or degree in return for the services provided.
- (4) Any and all premiums or assessments due under this title on account of service by a student volunteer or unpaid student shall be paid by the employer who has

registered and accepted the services of volunteers or engaged in an approved student work-based learning program authorized by the school and has exercised its option to secure the medical aid benefits under chapter 51.36 RCW for the student volunteers or unpaid students.

(5) For the purposes of this section, "unpaid student" includes a student in school-sponsored, unpaid work-based learning, including cooperative education, clinical experiences, and internship programs.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 51.12 RCW to read as follows:

An employer who has registered and accepted the services of volunteers or unpaid students, who are eligible for medical aid benefits under this chapter, may annually elect to pay the premiums and assessments due under this title at the rate due for one hundred hours of volunteer service for each volunteer or unpaid student instead of tracking the actual number of hours for each volunteer or unpaid student. An employer selecting this option must use the method to cover all their volunteers or unpaid students for the calendar year."

Signed by Representatives Sells, Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Manweller, Ranking Minority Member; McCabe, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Moeller; Ormsby and Smith.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

SSB 6301

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance: Addressing employer agreements to reimburse certain employee costs for the use of personal vehicles for business purposes. Reported by Committee on Business & Financial Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kirby, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair; Vick, Ranking Minority Member; McCabe, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Barkis; Blake; Dye; Hurst; Kochmar; Ryu and Santos.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

ESSB 6309

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance: Addressing registered service contract and protection product guarantee providers. Reported by Committee on Business & Financial Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kirby, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair; Vick, Ranking Minority Member; McCabe, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Barkis; Blake; Dye; Hurst; Kochmar; Ryu and Santos.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

ESB 6349

Prime Sponsor, Senator Benton: Concerning public funds and deposits. Reported by Committee on Business & Financial Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kirby, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair; Vick, Ranking Minority Member; McCabe, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Barkis; Blake; Dye; Hurst; Kochmar; Ryu and Santos.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

SB 6350

Prime Sponsor, Senator O'Ban: Addressing motor vehicle property offenses. Reported by Committee on Public Safety

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 9.94A.525 and 2013 2nd sp.s. c 35 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:

The offender score is measured on the horizontal axis of the sentencing grid. The offender score rules are as follows:

The offender score is the sum of points accrued under this section rounded down to the nearest whole number. (1) A prior conviction is a conviction which exists before the date of sentencing for the offense for which the offender score is being computed. Convictions entered or sentenced on the same date as the conviction for which the offender score is being computed shall be deemed "other current offenses" within the meaning of RCW 9.94A.589.

- (2)(a) Class A and sex prior felony convictions shall always be included in the offender score.
- (b) Class B prior felony convictions other than sex offenses shall not be included in the offender score, if since the last date of release from confinement (including full-time residential treatment) pursuant to a felony conviction, if any, or entry of judgment and sentence, the offender had spent ten consecutive years in the community without committing any crime that subsequently results in a conviction.
- (c) Except as provided in (e) of this subsection, class C prior felony convictions other than sex offenses shall not be included in the offender score if, since the last date of release from confinement (including full-time residential treatment) pursuant to a felony conviction, if any, or entry of judgment and sentence, the offender had spent five consecutive years in the community without committing any crime that subsequently results in a conviction.
- (d) Except as provided in (e) of this subsection, serious traffic convictions shall not be included in the offender score if, since the last date of release from confinement (including full-time residential treatment) pursuant to a

conviction, if any, or entry of judgment and sentence, the offender spent five years in the community without committing any crime that subsequently results in a conviction.

- (e) If the present conviction is felony driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.502(6)) or felony physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.504(6)), all predicate crimes for the offense as defined by RCW 46.61.5055(14) shall be included in the offender score, and prior convictions for felony driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.502(6)) or felony physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.504(6)) shall always be included in the offender score. All other convictions of the defendant shall be scored according to this section.
- (f) Prior convictions for a repetitive domestic violence offense, as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, shall not be included in the offender score if, since the last date of release from confinement or entry of judgment and sentence, the offender had spent ten consecutive years in the community without committing any crime that subsequently results in a conviction.
- (g) This subsection applies to both adult and juvenile prior convictions.
- (3) Out-of-state convictions for offenses shall be classified according to the comparable offense definitions and sentences provided by Washington law. Federal convictions for offenses shall be classified according to the comparable offense definitions and sentences provided by Washington law. If there is no clearly comparable offense under Washington law or the offense is one that is usually considered subject to exclusive federal jurisdiction, the offense shall be scored as a class C felony equivalent if it was a felony under the relevant federal statute.
- (4) Score prior convictions for felony anticipatory offenses (attempts, criminal solicitations, and criminal conspiracies) the same as if they were convictions for completed offenses.
- (5)(a) In the case of multiple prior convictions, for the purpose of computing the offender score, count all convictions separately, except:
- (i) Prior offenses which were found, under RCW 9.94A.589(1)(a), to encompass the same criminal conduct, shall be counted as one offense, the offense that yields the highest offender score. The current sentencing court shall determine with respect to other prior adult offenses for which sentences were served concurrently or prior juvenile offenses for which sentences were served consecutively, whether those offenses shall be counted as one offense or as separate offenses using the "same criminal conduct" analysis found in RCW 9.94A.589(1)(a), and if the court finds that they shall be counted as one offense, then the offense that yields the highest offender score shall be used. The current sentencing court may presume that such other prior offenses were not the same criminal conduct from sentences imposed on separate dates, or in separate

- counties or jurisdictions, or in separate complaints, indictments, or informations;
- (ii) In the case of multiple prior convictions for offenses committed before July 1, 1986, for the purpose of computing the offender score, count all adult convictions served concurrently as one offense, and count all juvenile convictions entered on the same date as one offense. Use the conviction for the offense that yields the highest offender score.
- (b) As used in this subsection (5), "served concurrently" means that: (i) The latter sentence was imposed with specific reference to the former; (ii) the concurrent relationship of the sentences was judicially imposed; and (iii) the concurrent timing of the sentences was not the result of a probation or parole revocation on the former offense
- (6) If the present conviction is one of the anticipatory offenses of criminal attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy, count each prior conviction as if the present conviction were for a completed offense. When these convictions are used as criminal history, score them the same as a completed crime.
- (7) If the present conviction is for a nonviolent offense and not covered by subsection (11), (12), or (13) of this section, count one point for each adult prior felony conviction and one point for each juvenile prior violent felony conviction and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior nonviolent felony conviction.
- (8) If the present conviction is for a violent offense and not covered in subsection (9), (10), (11), (12), or (13) of this section, count two points for each prior adult and juvenile violent felony conviction, one point for each prior adult nonviolent felony conviction, and 1/2 point for each prior juvenile nonviolent felony conviction.
- (9) If the present conviction is for a serious violent offense, count three points for prior adult and juvenile convictions for crimes in this category, two points for each prior adult and juvenile violent conviction (not already counted), one point for each prior adult nonviolent felony conviction, and 1/2 point for each prior juvenile nonviolent felony conviction.
- (10) If the present conviction is for Burglary 1, count prior convictions as in subsection (8) of this section; however count two points for each prior adult Burglary 2 or residential burglary conviction, and one point for each prior juvenile Burglary 2 or residential burglary conviction.
- (11) If the present conviction is for a felony traffic offense count two points for each adult or juvenile prior conviction for Vehicular Homicide or Vehicular Assault; for each felony offense count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction; for each serious traffic offense, other than those used for an enhancement pursuant to RCW 46.61.520(2), count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction; count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction for operation of a vessel while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug.
- (12) If the present conviction is for homicide by watercraft or assault by watercraft count two points for each adult or juvenile prior conviction for homicide by

- watercraft or assault by watercraft; for each felony offense count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction; count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction for driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, or operation of a vessel while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug.
- (13) If the present conviction is for manufacture of methamphetamine count three points for each adult prior manufacture of methamphetamine conviction and two points for each juvenile manufacture of methamphetamine offense. If the present conviction is for a drug offense and the offender has a criminal history that includes a sex offense or serious violent offense, count three points for each adult prior felony drug offense conviction and two points for each juvenile drug offense. All other adult and juvenile felonies are scored as in subsection (8) of this section if the current drug offense is violent, or as in subsection (7) of this section if the current drug offense is nonviolent.
- (14) If the present conviction is for Escape from Community Custody, RCW 72.09.310, count only prior escape convictions in the offender score. Count adult prior escape convictions as one point and juvenile prior escape convictions as 1/2 point.
- (15) If the present conviction is for Escape 1, RCW 9A.76.110, or Escape 2, RCW 9A.76.120, count adult prior convictions as one point and juvenile prior convictions as 1/2 point.
- (16) If the present conviction is for Burglary 2 or residential burglary, count priors as in subsection (7) of this section; however, count two points for each adult and juvenile prior Burglary 1 conviction, two points for each adult prior Burglary 2 or residential burglary conviction, and one point for each juvenile prior Burglary 2 or residential burglary conviction.
- (17) If the present conviction is for a sex offense, count priors as in subsections (7) through (11) and (13) through (16) of this section; however count three points for each adult and juvenile prior sex offense conviction. (18) If the present conviction is for failure to register as a sex offender under RCW 9A.44.130 or 9A.44.132, count priors as in subsections (7) through (11) and (13) through (16) of this section; however count three points for each adult and juvenile prior sex offense conviction, excluding prior convictions for failure to register as a sex offender under RCW 9A.44.130 or 9A.44.132, which shall count as one point.
- (19) If the present conviction is for an offense committed while the offender was under community custody, add one point. For purposes of this subsection, community custody includes community placement or postrelease supervision, as defined in chapter 9.94B RCW.
- (20) If the present conviction is for Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 1, or Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 2, count priors as in subsections (7) through (18) of this section; however count one point for prior convictions of Vehicle Prowling 2, and three points for each adult and juvenile

- prior Theft 1 (of a motor vehicle), Theft 2 (of a motor vehicle), Possession of Stolen Property 1 (of a motor vehicle), Possession of Stolen Property 2 (of a motor vehicle), Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 1, ((or)) Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 2 conviction.
- (21) If the present conviction is for a felony domestic violence offense where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 was ((plead H:\DATA\2016 JOURNAL\Journal2016\LegDay047\pleaded.doc)) pleaded and proven, count priors as in subsections (7) through (20) of this section; however, count points as follows:
- (a) Count two points for each adult prior conviction where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 ((plead H:\DATA\2016 JOURNAL\Journal2016\LegDay047\pleaded.doc)) pleaded and proven after August 1, 2011, for the following offenses: A violation of a no contact order that is a felony offense, a violation of a protection order that is a felony offense, a felony domestic violence harassment offense, a felony domestic violence stalking offense, a domestic violence Burglary 1 offense, a domestic violence Kidnapping 1 offense, a domestic violence Kidnapping 2 offense, a domestic violence unlawful imprisonment offense, a domestic violence Robbery 1 offense, a domestic violence Robbery 2 offense, a domestic violence Assault 1 offense, a domestic violence Assault 2 offense, a domestic violence Assault 3 offense, a domestic violence Arson 1 offense, or a domestic violence Arson 2 offense;
- (b) Count one point for each second and subsequent juvenile conviction where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 was ((plead H:\DATA\2016 JOURNAL\Journal2016\LegDay047\pleaded.doc)) pleaded and proven after August 1, 2011, for the offenses listed in (a) of this subsection; and
- (c) Count one point for each adult prior conviction for a repetitive domestic violence offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, was ((plead H:\DATA\2016 JOURNAL\Journal2016\LegDay047\pleaded.doc)) pleaded and proven after August 1, 2011.
- (22) The fact that a prior conviction was not included in an offender's offender score or criminal history at a previous sentencing shall have no bearing on whether it is included in the criminal history or offender score for the current offense. Prior convictions that were not counted in the offender score or included in criminal history under repealed or previous versions of the sentencing reform act shall be included in criminal history and shall count in the offender score if the current version of the sentencing reform act requires including or counting those convictions. Prior convictions that were not included in criminal history or in the offender score shall be included upon any resentencing to ensure imposition of an accurate sentence.
- Sec. 2. RCW 9.94A.515 and 2015 c 261 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

TABLE 2

CRIMES INCLUDED WITHIN EACH SERIOUSNESS LEVEL	VIII Arson 1 (RCW 9A.48.020) Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor
XVI Aggravated Murder 1 (RCW	(RCW 9.68A.100)
10.95.020) XV Homicide by abuse (RCW 9A.32.055)	Homicide by Watercraft, by the operation of any vessel in a reckless manner (RCW 79A.60.050)
Malicious explosion 1 (RCW 70.74.280(1))	Manslaughter 2 (RCW 9A.32.070) Promoting Prostitution 1 (RCW
Murder 1 (RCW 9A.32.030) XIV Murder 2 (RCW 9A.32.050)	9A.88.070) Theft of Ammonia (RCW
Trafficking 1 (RCW 9A.40.100(1)) XIII Malicious explosion 2 (RCW	Vehicular Homicide, by the operation of
70.74.280(2))  Malicious placement of an explosive 1  (PCW 70.74.270(1))	any vehicle in a reckless manner (RCW 46.61.520) VII Burglary 1 (RCW 9A.52.020)
(RCW 70.74.270(1)) XII Assault 1 (RCW 9A.36.011) Assault of a Child 1 (RCW	Child Molestation 2 (RCW 9A.44.086)
9A.36.120)	Civil Disorder Training (RCW
Malicious placement of an imitation device 1 (RCW 70.74.272(1)(a)) Promoting Commercial Sexual Abuse of a	9A.48.120)  Dealing in depictions of minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct 1 (RCW 9.68A.050(1))
Minor (RCW 9.68A.101) Rape 1 (RCW 9A.44.040)	Drive-by Shooting (RCW 9A.36.045)
Rape of a Child 1 (RCW 9A.44.073) Trafficking 2 (RCW 9A.40.100(3))	Homicide by Watercraft, by disregard for the safety of others (RCW 79A.60.050)
XI Manslaughter 1 (RCW 9A.32.060) Rape 2 (RCW 9A.44.050)	Indecent Liberties (without forcible compulsion) (RCW 9A.44.100(1) (b) and (c))
Rape of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.44.076) Vehicular Homicide, by being under the	Introducing Contraband 1 (RCW 9A.76.140)
influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.520)	Malicious placement of an explosive 3 (RCW 70.74.270(3))
X Child Molestation 1 (RCW 9A.44.083)	Negligently Causing Death By Use of a Signal Preemption Device (RCW 46.37.675)
Criminal Mistreatment 1 (RCW 9A.42.020)  Indecent Liberties (with forcible	Sending, bringing into state depictions of minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct 1 (RCW
Indecent Liberties (with forcible compulsion) (RCW 9A.44.100(1)(a)) Kidnapping 1 (RCW 9A.40.020)	9.68A.060(1)) Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in the first degree (RCW 9.41.040(1))
Leading Organized Crime (RCW 9A.82.060(1)(a))	Use of a Machine Gun in Commission of a Felony (RCW 9.41.225)
Malicious explosion 3 (RCW 70.74.280(3))	Vehicular Homicide, by disregard for the safety of others (RCW 46.61.520)
Sexually Violent Predator Escape (RCW 9A.76.115)	VI Bail Jumping with Murder 1 (RCW 9A.76.170(3)(a))
IX Abandonment of Dependent Person 1 (RCW 9A.42.060)	Bribery (RCW 9A.68.010) Incest 1 (RCW 9A.64.020(1))
Assault of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.36.130)	Intimidating a Judge (RCW 9A.72.160)
Explosive devices prohibited (RCW 70.74.180)	Intimidating a Juror/Witness (RCW 9A.72.110, 9A.72.130)
Hit and Run—Death (RCW 46.52.020(4)(a))	Malicious placement of an imitation device 2 (RCW 70.74.272(1)(b))
Homicide by Watercraft, by being under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 79A.60.050)	Possession of Depictions of a Minor Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct 1 (RCW 9.68A.070(1))
Inciting Criminal Profiteering (RCW 9A.82.060(1)(b))	Rape of a Child 3 (RCW 9A.44.079) Taking Motor Vehicle Without Permission
Malicious placement of an explosive 2 (RCW 70.74.270(2))	1 (third or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.56.070)  Theft of a Firearm (RCW
Robbery 1 (RCW 9A.56.200) Sexual Exploitation (RCW 9.68A.040)	9A.56.300) Unlawful Storage of Ammonia (RCW 69.55.020)

Abandonment of Dependent Person 2 Escape 1 (RCW 9A.76.110) (RCW 9A.42.070) (RCW Hit and Run—Injury 46.52.020(4)(b)) Advancing money or property for extortionate extension of credit (RCW Hit and Run with Vessel-Injury Accident 9A.82.030) (RCW 79A.60.200(3)) Identity Theft 1 (RCW 9.35.020(2)) Bail Jumping with class A Felony (RCW 9A.76.170(3)(b)) Indecent Exposure to Person Under Age Molestation 3 offense) Child (RCW Fourteen (subsequent sex (RCW 9A.44.089) 9A.88.010) 2 Influencing Outcome of Sporting Event Criminal Mistreatment (RCW (RCW 9A.82.070) 9A.42.030) Custodial Sexual Misconduct 1 (RCW Malicious Harassment (RCW 9A.44.160) 9A.36.080) Dealing in Depictions of Minor Engaged in Possession of Depictions of a Minor Conduct Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct 2 (RCW Sexually **Explicit** 9.68A.050(2)) 9.68A.070(2)) Domestic Violence Court Order Violation Residential Burglary (RCW (RCW 10.99.040, 10.99.050, 26.09.300, 26.10.220, 9A.52.025) 26.26.138, 26.50.110, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145) Robbery 2 (RCW 9A.56.210) Driving While Under the Influence (RCW of Livestock Theft (RCW 46.61.502(6)) 9A.56.080) Extortion 1 (RCW 9A.56.120) Threats to Bomb (RCW 9.61.160) Extortionate Extension of Credit (RCW Trafficking in Stolen Property 1 (RCW 9A.82.020) 9A.82.050) Extortionate Means to Collect Extensions Unlawful factoring of a credit card or of Credit (RCW 9A.82.040) card transaction (RCW payment Incest 2 (RCW 9A.64.020(2)) 9A.56.290(4)(b)) Kidnapping 2 (RCW 9A.40.030) Unlawful transaction of health coverage as Perjury 1 (RCW 9A.72.020) health care service contractor (RCW Persistent prison misbehavior (RCW 48.44.016(3)) 9.94.070) Unlawful transaction of health coverage as Physical Control of a Vehicle While Under health maintenance organization (RCW the Influence (RCW 46.61.504(6)) 48.46.033(3)) Possession of a Stolen Firearm (RCW Unlawful transaction of insurance business 9A.56.310) (RCW 48.15.023(3)) Rape 3 (RCW 9A.44.060) Unlicensed practice as an insurance Rendering Criminal Assistance 1 (RCW professional (RCW 48.17.063(2)) 9A.76.070) Use of Proceeds of Criminal Profiteering Sending, Bringing into State Depictions of (RCW 9A.82.080 (1) and (2)) Minor Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct 2 (RCW Vehicle Prowling 2 (third or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.52.100(3)) 9.68A.060(2)) Sexual Misconduct with a Minor 1 (RCW Vehicular Assault, by being under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, or by the 9A.44.093) operation or driving of a vehicle in a reckless manner Sexually Violating Human Remains (RCW (RCW 46.61.522) 9A.44.105) Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110) Viewing of Depictions of a Minor Engaged Taking Motor Vehicle Without Permission **Explicit** in Sexually Conduct 1 (RCW 1 (RCW 9A.56.070) 9.68A.075(1)) Arson 2 (RCW 9A.48.030) Willful Failure to Return from Furlough (RCW 72.66.060) Assault 2 (RCW 9A.36.021) Assault 3 (of a Peace Officer with a Ш Animal Cruelty 1 (Sexual Conduct or Projectile Stun Gun) (RCW 9A.36.031(1)(h)) Contact) (RCW 16.52.205(3)) Assault 3 (Except Assault 3 of a Peace Assault by Watercraft (RCW 79A.60.060) Officer With a Projectile Stun Gun) (RCW 9A.36.031 Bribing a Witness/Bribe Received by except subsection (1)(h)) Witness (RCW 9A.72.090, 9A.72.100) of a Child (RCW Cheating 1 (RCW 9.46.1961) 9A.36.140) (RCW Commercial Bribery Bail Jumping with class B or C Felony (RCW 9A.76.170(3)(c)) 9A.68.060) Burglary 2 (RCW 9A.52.030) Counterfeiting (RCW 9.16.035(4)) Communication with a Minor for Immoral Endangerment with a Controlled Substance (RCW 9A.42.100) Purposes (RCW 9.68A.090)

Criminal Gang Intimidation (RCW 9A.46.120)

Custodial Assault (RCW 9A.36.100)

Cyberstalking (subsequent conviction or threat of death) (RCW 9.61.260(3))

Escape 2 (RCW 9A.76.120)

Extortion 2 (RCW 9A.56.130)

Harassment (RCW 9A.46.020)

Intimidating a Public Servant (RCW

9A.76.180)

Introducing Contraband 2 (RCW 9A.76.150)

Malicious Injury to Railroad Property (RCW 81.60.070)

Malicious Mischief 1 (motor vehicle, third or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.48.070)

Mortgage Fraud (RCW 19.144.080)

Negligently Causing Substantial Bodily Harm By Use of a Signal Preemption Device (RCW 46.37.674)

Organized Retail Theft 1 (RCW 9A.56.350(2))

Perjury 2 (RCW 9A.72.030)

Possession of Incendiary Device (RCW 9.40.120)

Possession of Machine Gun or Short-Barreled Shotgun or Rifle (RCW 9.41.190)

Possession of Stolen Vehicle (third or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.56.068)

Promoting Prostitution 2 (RCW 9A.88.080)

Retail Theft with Special Circumstances 1 (RCW 9A.56.360(2))

Securities Act violation (RCW 21.20.400)

Tampering with a Witness (RCW 9A.72.120)

Telephone Harassment (subsequent conviction or threat of death) (RCW 9.61.230(2))

Theft of Livestock 2 (RCW 9A.56.083)

Theft of Motor Vehicle (third or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.56.065)

Theft with the Intent to Resell 1 (RCW 9A.56.340(2))

Trafficking in Stolen Property 2 (RCW 9A.82.055)

Unlawful Hunting of Big Game 1 (RCW 77.15.410(3)(b))

Unlawful Imprisonment (RCW 9A.40.040)

Unlawful Misbranding of Food Fish or Shellfish 1 (RCW 69.04.938(3))

Unlawful possession of firearm in the second degree (RCW 9.41.040(2))

Unlawful Taking of Endangered Fish or Wildlife 1 (RCW 77.15.120(3)(b))

Unlawful Trafficking in Fish, Shellfish, or Wildlife 1 (RCW 77.15.260(3)(b))

Unlawful Use of a Nondesignated Vessel (RCW 77.15.530(4))

Vehicular Assault, by the operation or driving of a vehicle with disregard for the safety of others (RCW 46.61.522)

Willful Failure to Return from Work Release (RCW 72.65.070)

II Commercial Fishing Without a License 1 (RCW 77.15.500(3)(b))

Computer Trespass 1 (RCW 9A.52.110)

Counterfeiting (RCW 9.16.035(3))

Engaging in Fish Dealing Activity Unlicensed 1 (RCW 77.15.620(3))

Escape from Community Custody (RCW 72.09.310)

Failure to Register as a Sex Offender (second or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.44.130 prior to June 10, 2010, and RCW 9A.44.132)

Health Care False Claims (RCW 48.80.030)

Identity Theft 2 (RCW 9.35.020(3))

Improperly Obtaining Financial Information (RCW 9.35.010)

Malicious Mischief 1 (RCW 9A.48.070)

Malicious Mischief 2 (motor vehicle, third or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.48.080)

Organized Retail Theft 2 (RCW 9A.56.350(3))

Possession of Stolen Property 1 (RCW 9A.56.150)

Possession of a Stolen Vehicle (RCW 9A.56.068)

Retail Theft with Special Circumstances 2 (RCW 9A.56.360(3))

Scrap Processing, Recycling, or Supplying Without a License (second or subsequent offense) (RCW 19.290.100)

Taking Motor Vehicle Without Permission 2 (third or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.56.075)

Theft 1 (RCW 9A.56.030)

Theft of a Motor Vehicle (RCW 9A.56.065)

Theft of Rental, Leased, ((or)) Lease-purchased, or Loaned Property (valued at ((one)) five thousand ((five hundred)) dollars or more) (RCW 9A.56.096(5)(a))

Theft with the Intent to Resell 2 (RCW 9A.56.340(3))

Trafficking in Insurance Claims (RCW 48.30A.015)

Unlawful factoring of a credit card or payment card transaction (RCW 9A.56.290(4)(a))

Unlawful Participation of Non-Indians in Indian Fishery (RCW 77.15.570(2))

Unlawful Practice of Law (RCW 2.48.180)

Unlawful Purchase or Use of a License (RCW 77.15.650(3)(b))

Unlawful Trafficking in Fish, Shellfish, or Wildlife 2 (RCW 77.15.260(3)(a))

Unlicensed Practice of a Profession or Business (RCW 18.130.190(7))

Vehicle Prowl 1 (third or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.52.095)

Voyeurism (RCW 9A.44.115)

I Attempting to Elude a Pursuing Police Vehicle (RCW 46.61.024)

False Verification for Welfare (RCW 74.08.055)

Forgery (RCW 9A.60.020)

Fraudulent Creation or Revocation of a Mental Health Advance Directive (RCW 9A.60.060)

Malicious Mischief 2 (RCW 9A.48.080)

Mineral Trespass (RCW 78.44.330)

Possession of Stolen Property 2 (RCW

9A.56.160)

Reckless Burning 1 (RCW 9A.48.040)

Spotlighting Big Game 1 (RCW 77.15.450(3)(b))

Suspension of Department Privileges 1 (RCW 77.15.670(3)(b))

Taking Motor Vehicle Without Permission 2 (RCW 9A.56.075)

Theft 2 (RCW 9A.56.040)

Theft of Rental, Leased, ((or)) Lease-purchased, or Loaned Property (valued at ((two)) seven hundred fifty dollars or more but less than ((one)) five thousand ((five hundred)) dollars) (RCW 9A.56.096(5)(b))

Transaction of insurance business beyond the scope of licensure (RCW 48.17.063)

Unlawful Fish and Shellfish Catch Accounting (RCW 77.15.630(3)(b))

Unlawful Issuance of Checks or Drafts (RCW 9A.56.060)

Unlawful Possession of Fictitious Identification (RCW 9A.56.320)

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Identification Device (RCW 9A.56.320)

Unlawful Production of Payment

Instruments (RCW 9A.56.320)

Unlawful Releasing, Planting, Possessing, or Placing Deleterious Exotic Wildlife (RCW 77.15.250(2)(b))

Unlawful Trafficking in Food Stamps (RCW 9.91.142)

Unlawful Use of Food Stamps (RCW 9.91.144)

Unlawful Use of Net to Take Fish 1 (RCW 77.15.580(3)(b))

Unlawful Use of Prohibited Aquatic Animal Species (RCW 77.15.253(3))

Vehicle Prowl 1 (RCW 9A.52.095)

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Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Goodman, Chair; Orwall, Vice Chair; Klippert, Ranking Minority Member; Hayes, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Appleton; Griffey; Moscoso; Pettigrew and Wilson.

Passed to Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

February 24, 2016

SSB 6354

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Higher Education: Concerning the development of higher education reverse transfer agreement plans. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Hansen, Chair; Pollet, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Minority Member; Haler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Frame; Hargrove; Holy; Reykdal; Sells; Stambaugh; Tarleton and Van Werven.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

SSB 6409

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Creating administrative efficiencies for institutions of higher education. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 28B.10.027 and 2005 c 36 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) All universities and colleges shall allocate as a nondeductible item, out of any moneys appropriated for the original construction or any major renovation or remodel work exceeding two hundred thousand dollars of any building, an amount of one-half of one percent of the construction appropriation to be expended by the Washington state arts commission with the approval of the board of regents or trustees for the acquisition of works of art
- (2) An institution of higher education, working with the Washington arts commission, may expend up to ten percent of the projected art allocation for a project during the design phase in order to select an artist and design art to be integrated in the building design. The one-half of one percent to be expended by the Washington arts commission shall be adjusted downward by the amount expended by a university or college during the design phase of the capital project.
- (3) The works of art may be placed on public lands of institutions of higher education, integral to or attached to a public building or structure of institutions of higher education, detached within or outside a public building or structure of institutions of higher education, part of a portable exhibition or collection, part of a temporary

exhibition, or loaned or exhibited in other public facilities.

- (4) In addition to the cost of the works of art, the onehalf of one percent of the appropriation shall be used to provide for the administration of the visual arts program, including conservation of the state art collection, by the Washington state arts commission and all costs for installation of the work of art. For the purpose of this section building shall not include sheds, warehouses, and other buildings of a temporary nature.
- Sec. 2. RCW 28B.10.029 and 2015 c 79 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) An institution of higher education may, consistent with RCW 28B.10.925 and 28B.10.926, exercise independently those powers otherwise granted to the director of enterprise services in chapters 43.19 and 39.26 RCW in connection with the purchase and disposition of all material, supplies, services, and equipment needed for the support, maintenance, and use of the respective institution of higher education.
- (b) Property disposition policies followed by institutions of higher education shall be consistent with policies followed by the department of enterprise services.
- (c)(i) Except as provided in (c)(ii) and (iii) of this subsection and elsewhere as provided by law, purchasing policies and procedures followed by institutions of higher education shall be in compliance with chapters 39.19, 39.26, and 43.03 RCW, and RCW 43.19.1917, 43.19.685, and 43.19.560 through 43.19.637
- (ii) Institutions of higher education may use all appropriate means for making and paying for travel arrangements including, but not limited to, electronic booking and reservations, advance payment and deposits for tours, lodging, and other necessary expenses, and other travel transactions based on standard industry practices and federal accountable plan requirements. Such arrangements shall support student, faculty, staff, and other participants' travel, by groups and individuals, both domestic and international, in the most costeffective and efficient manner possible, regardless of the source of funds.
- (iii) Formal sealed, electronic, or web-based competitive bidding is not necessary for purchases or personal services contracts by institutions of higher education for less than one hundred thousand dollars. However, for purchases and personal services contracts of ten thousand dollars or more and less than one hundred thousand dollars, quotations must be secured from at least three vendors to assure establishment of a competitive price and may be obtained by telephone, electronic, or written quotations, or any combination thereof. As part of securing the three vendor quotations, institutions of higher education must invite at least one quotation each from a certified minority and a certified woman-owned vendor that otherwise qualifies to perform the work. A record of competition for all such purchases and personal services contracts of ten thousand dollars or more and less than one hundred thousand dollars must be documented for audit purposes. (d) Purchases under chapter 39.26, 43.19, or 43.105 RCW by institutions of higher education may be made

- by using contracts for materials, supplies, services, or equipment negotiated or entered into by, for, or through group purchasing organizations.
- (e) The community and technical colleges shall comply with RCW 43.19.450.
- (f) Except for the University of Washington, institutions of higher education shall comply with RCW 43.19.769, 43.19.763, and 43.19.781.
- (g) If an institution of higher education can satisfactorily demonstrate to the director of the office of financial management that the cost of compliance is greater than the value of benefits from any of the following statutes, then it shall be exempt from them: RCW 43.19.685 and 43.19.637.
- (((h) Any institution of higher education that chooses to exercise independent purchasing authority for a commodity or group of commodities shall notify the director of enterprise services. Thereafter the director of enterprise services shall not be required to provide those services for that institution for the duration of the enterprise services contract term for that commodity or group of commodities.))
- (2) The council of presidents and the state board for community and technical colleges shall convene its correctional industries business development advisory committee, and work collaboratively with correctional industries, to:
- (a) Reaffirm purchasing criteria and ensure that quality, service, and timely delivery result in the best value for expenditure of state dollars;
- (b) Update the approved list of correctional industries products from which higher education shall purchase; and
- (c) Develop recommendations on ways to continue to build correctional industries' business with institutions of higher education.
- (3) Higher education and correctional industries shall develop a plan to build higher education business with correctional industries to increase higher education purchases of correctional industries products, based upon the criteria established in subsection (2) of this section. The plan shall include the correctional industries' production and sales goals for higher education and an approved list of products from which higher education institutions shall purchase, based on the criteria established in subsection (2) of this section. Higher education and correctional industries shall report to the legislature regarding the plan and its implementation no later than January 30, 2005.
- (4)(a) Institutions of higher education shall set as a target to contract, beginning not later than June 30, 2006, to purchase one percent of the total goods and services required by the institutions each year produced or provided in whole or in part from class II inmate work programs operated by the department of corrections. Institutions of higher education shall set as a target to contract, beginning not later than June 30, 2008, to purchase two percent of the total goods and services required by the institutions each year produced or provided in whole or in part from class II inmate work programs operated by the department of corrections.

- (b) Institutions of higher education shall endeavor to assure the department of corrections has notifications of bid opportunities with the goal of meeting or exceeding the purchasing target in (a) of this subsection.
- Sec. 3. RCW 39.26.110 and 2012 c 224 s 12 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The department must provide expertise and training on best practices for state procurement.
- (2) The department must establish either training or certification programs, or both, to ensure consistency in procurement practices for employees authorized to perform procurement functions under the provisions of this chapter. When establishing training or certification programs, the department may approve existing training or certification programs at state agencies. When establishing programs or approving existing programs, the department shall work with agencies with existing training programs to ensure coordination and minimize additional costs associated with training requirements.
- (3) Beginning July 1, 2013, state agencies must require agency employees responsible for developing, executing, or managing procurements or contracts, or both, to complete department-approved training or certification programs, or both. Beginning July 1, 2015, no agency employee may execute or manage contracts unless the employee has met the training or certification requirements or both as set by the department. Any request for exception to this requirement must be submitted to the director for approval before the employee or group of employees executes or manages contracts.
- (4) Notwithstanding subsections (1) through (3) of this section, institutions of higher education may develop independent training or certification programs, or both, to ensure consistency in procurement practices for employees authorized to perform procurement functions under applicable state and federal laws. Each institution of higher education exercising its authority to develop independent training or certification programs must require employees responsible for developing, executing, or managing procurements or contracts, or both, to complete such training or certification program. Sec. 4. RCW 42.48.010 and 2007 c 17 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

- (1) "Individually identifiable" means that a record contains information which reveals or can likely be associated with the identity of the person or persons to whom the record pertains.
- (2) "Legally authorized representative" means a person legally authorized to give consent for the disclosure of personal records on behalf of a minor or a legally incompetent adult.
- (3) "Personal record" means any information obtained or maintained by a state agency which refers to a person and which is declared exempt from public disclosure, confidential, or privileged under state or federal law.
- (4) "Research" means a planned and systematic sociological, psychological, epidemiological, biomedical, or other scientific investigation carried out by a state agency, by a scientific research professional

- associated with a bona fide scientific research organization, or by a graduate student currently enrolled in an advanced academic degree curriculum, with an objective to contribute to scientific knowledge, the solution of social and health problems, or the evaluation of public benefit and service programs. This definition excludes methods of record analysis and data collection that are subjective, do not permit replication, and are not designed to yield reliable and valid results.
- (5) "Research record" means an item or grouping of information obtained for the purpose of research from or about a person or extracted for the purpose of research from a personal record.
- (6) "State agency" means: (a) The department of social and health services; (b) the department of corrections; (c) ((an institution of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016; (d))) the department of health; or (((e))) (d) the department of early learning.
- Sec. 5. RCW 43.88.110 and 2014 c 162 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

This section sets forth the expenditure programs and the allotment and reserve procedures to be followed by the executive branch for public funds.

- (1) Allotments of an appropriation for any fiscal period shall conform to the terms, limits, or conditions of the appropriation.
- (2) The director of financial management shall provide all agencies with a complete set of operating and capital instructions for preparing a statement of proposed expenditures at least thirty days before the beginning of a fiscal period. The set of instructions need not include specific appropriation amounts for the agency.
- (3) Within forty-five days after the beginning of the fiscal period or within forty-five days after the governor signs the omnibus biennial appropriations act, whichever is later, all agencies shall submit to the governor a statement of proposed expenditures at such times and in such form as may be required by the governor.
- (4) The office of financial management shall develop a method for monitoring capital appropriations and expenditures that will capture at least the following elements:
- (a) Appropriations made for capital projects including transportation projects;
- (b) Estimates of total project costs including past, current, ensuing, and future biennial costs;
- (c) Comparisons of actual costs to estimated costs;
- (d) Comparisons of estimated construction start and completion dates with actual dates;
- (e) Documentation of fund shifts between projects.
- This data may be incorporated into the existing accounting system or into a separate project management system, as deemed appropriate by the office of financial management.
- (5) The office of financial management, prior to approving allotments for major capital construction projects valued over five million dollars, with the exception of projects at institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016, which may be valued up to ten million dollars, shall institute procedures for reviewing such projects at the predesign stage that will

reduce long-term costs and increase facility efficiency. The procedures shall include, but not be limited to, the following elements:

- (a) Evaluation of facility program requirements and consistency with long-range plans;
- (b) Utilization of a system of cost, quality, and performance standards to compare major capital construction projects; and
- (c) A requirement to incorporate value-engineering analysis and constructability review into the project schedule.
- (6) No expenditure may be incurred or obligation entered into for such major capital construction projects including, without exception, land acquisition, site development, predesign, design, construction, and equipment acquisition and installation, until the allotment of the funds to be expended has been approved by the office of financial management. This limitation does not prohibit the continuation of expenditures and obligations into the succeeding biennium for projects for which allotments have been approved in the immediate prior biennium.
- (7) Minor works projects, as defined by the office of financial management, may be valued up to three million dollars for institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016.

(8) If at any time during the fiscal period the governor projects a cash deficit in a particular fund or account as defined by RCW 43.88.050, the governor shall make across-the-board reductions in allotments for that particular fund or account so as to prevent a cash deficit, unless the legislature has directed the liquidation of the cash deficit over one or more fiscal periods. Except for the legislative and judicial branches and other agencies headed by elective officials, the governor shall review the statement of proposed operating expenditures for reasonableness and conformance with legislative intent. The governor may request corrections of proposed allotments submitted by the legislative and judicial branches and agencies headed by elective officials if those proposed allotments contain significant technical errors. Once the governor approves the proposed allotments, further revisions may at the request of the office of financial management or upon the agency's initiative be made on a quarterly basis and must be accompanied by an explanation of the reasons for significant changes. However, changes in appropriation level authorized by the legislature, changes required by across-the-board reductions mandated by the governor, changes caused by executive increases to spending authority, and changes caused by executive decreases to spending authority for failure to comply with the provisions of chapter 36.70A RCW may require additional revisions. Revisions shall not be made retroactively. However, the governor may assign to a reserve status any portion of an agency appropriation withheld as part of across-the-board reductions made by the governor and any portion of an agency appropriation conditioned on a contingent event by the appropriations act. The governor may remove these amounts from reserve status if the across-the-board reductions are subsequently modified or if the contingent event occurs. The director of financial management shall enter approved statements of proposed expenditures into the state budgeting, accounting, and reporting system within forty-five days after receipt of the proposed statements from the agencies. If an agency or the director of financial management is unable to meet these requirements, the director of financial management shall provide a timely explanation in writing to the legislative fiscal committees.

(((8))) (9) It is expressly provided that all agencies shall be required to maintain accounting records and to report thereon in the manner prescribed in this chapter and under the regulations issued pursuant to this chapter. Within ninety days of the end of the fiscal year, all agencies shall submit to the director of financial management their final adjustments to close their books for the fiscal year. Prior to submitting fiscal data, written or oral, to committees of the legislature, it is the responsibility of the agency submitting the data to reconcile it with the budget and accounting data reported by the agency to the director of financial management. (((9))) (10) The director of financial management may exempt certain public funds from the allotment controls established under this chapter if it is not practical or necessary to allot the funds. Allotment control exemptions expire at the end of the fiscal biennium for which they are granted. The director of financial management shall report any exemptions granted under this subsection to the legislative fiscal committees." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Hansen, Chair; Pollet, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Minority Member; Haler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Frame; Hargrove; Holy; Reykdal; Sells; Stambaugh; Tarleton and Van Werven.

Passed to Committee on Capital Budget.

February 24, 2016

SB 6459

Prime Sponsor, Senator Rivers: Authorizing peace officers to assist the department of corrections with the supervision of offenders. Reported by Committee on Public Safety

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 9.94A RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Any peace officer has authority to assist the department with the supervisions of offenders.
- (2) If a peace officer has reasonable cause to believe an offender is in violation of the terms of supervision, the peace officer may conduct a search as provided under RCW 9.94A.631, of the offender's person, automobile, or other personal property to search for evidence of the violation. A peace officer may assist a community corrections officer with a search of the offender's

residence if requested to do so by the community corrections officer.

- (3) Nothing in this section prevents a peace officer from arresting an offender for any new crime found as a result of the offender's arrest or search authorized by this section.
- (4) Upon substantiation of a violation of the offender's conditions of community supervision, utilizing existing methods and systems, the peace officer should notify the department of the violation.
- (5) For the purposes of this section, "peace officer" refers to a limited or general authority Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020."

  Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Goodman, Chair; Orwall, Vice Chair; Klippert, Ranking Minority Member; Hayes, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Appleton; Griffey; Moscoso; Pettigrew and Wilson.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

SSB 6463

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Concerning the crime of luring. Reported by Committee on Public Safety

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Goodman, Chair; Orwall, Vice Chair; Klippert, Ranking Minority Member; Hayes, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Appleton; Griffey; Moscoso; Pettigrew and Wilson.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SSB 6466

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Higher Education: Creating a work group to develop a plan for removing obstacles for higher education students with disabilities. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Hansen, Chair; Pollet, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Minority Member; Haler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Frame; Hargrove; Holy; Reykdal; Sells; Stambaugh; Tarleton and Van Werven.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SSB 6601

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Creating the Washington college savings program. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "Sec. 1. RCW 28B.95.010 and 1997 c 289 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The Washington advanced college tuition payment program is established to help make higher education affordable and accessible to all citizens of the state of Washington by offering a savings incentive that will protect purchasers and beneficiaries against rising tuition costs. ((The program is))
- (2) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the Washington college savings program is established to provide an additional financial option for individuals, organizations, and families to save for college.
- (3) These programs are designed to encourage savings and enhance the ability of Washington citizens to obtain financial access to institutions of higher education. In addition, the programs encourage((s)) elementary and secondary school students to do well in school as a means of preparing for and aspiring to higher education attendance. ((This program is)) These programs are intended to promote a well-educated and financially secure population to the ultimate benefit of all citizens of the state of Washington.
- Sec. 2. RCW 28B.95.020 and 2015 3rd sp.s. c 36 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter, unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Academic year" means the regular nine-month, three-quarter, or two-semester period annually occurring between August 1st and July 31st.
- (2) "Account" means the Washington advanced college tuition payment program account established for the deposit of all money received by the office from eligible purchasers and interest earnings on investments of funds in the account, as well as for all expenditures on behalf of eligible beneficiaries for the redemption of tuition units and for the development of any authorized college savings program pursuant to RCW 28B.95.150.
- (3) "College savings program account" means the Washington college savings program account established pursuant to RCW 28B.95.010.
- (4) "Committee on advanced tuition payment and college savings" or "committee" means a committee of the following members: The state treasurer, the director of the office of financial management, the director of the office, or their designees, and two members to be appointed by the governor, one representing program participants and one private business representative with marketing, public relations, or financial expertise.
- (((4))) (5) "Contractual obligation" means a legally binding contract of the state with the purchaser and the beneficiary establishing that purchases of tuition units in the advanced college tuition payment program will be worth the same number of tuition units at the time of redemption as they were worth at the time of the purchase, except as provided in RCW 28B.95.030(7).
- (((5))) (6) "Dual credit fees" means any fees charged to a student for participation in college in the high school under RCW 28A.600.290 or running start under RCW 28A.600.310.
- (((6))) (7) "Eligible beneficiary" means the person ((for whom the tuition unit will be redeemed for attendance at

an institution of higher education, participation in college in the high school under RCW 28A.600.290, or participation in running start under RCW 28A.600.310. The beneficiary is that person named by the purchaser at the time that a tuition unit contract is accepted by the governing body)) designated as the individual whose education expenses are to be paid from the advanced college tuition payment program or the college savings program. Qualified organizations, as allowed under section 529 of the federal internal revenue code, purchasing tuition unit contracts as future scholarships need not designate a beneficiary at the time of purchase. (((7))) (8) "Eligible contributor" means an individual or organization that contributes money for the purchase of tuition units, and for an individual college savings program account established pursuant to this chapter for an eligible beneficiary.

(9) "Eligible purchaser" means an individual or organization that has entered into a tuition unit contract with the governing body for the purchase of tuition units in the advanced college tuition payment program for an eligible beneficiary, or that has entered into a participant college savings program account contract for an eligible beneficiary. The state of Washington may be an eligible purchaser for purposes of purchasing tuition units to be held for granting Washington college bound scholarships.

(((8))) (10) "Full-time tuition charges" means resident tuition charges at a state institution of higher education for enrollments between ten credits and eighteen credit hours per academic term.

(((9))) (11) "Governing body" means the committee empowered by the legislature to administer the Washington advanced college tuition payment program and the Washington college savings program.

(((10))) (12) "Individual college savings program account" means the formal record of transactions relating to a Washington college savings program beneficiary.

(13) "Institution of higher education" means an institution that offers education beyond the secondary level and is recognized by the internal revenue service under chapter 529 of the internal revenue code.

(((11))) (14) "Investment board" means the state investment board as defined in chapter 43.33A RCW.

(((12))) (15) "Investment manager" means the state investment board, another state, or any other entity as selected by the governing body, including another college savings plan established pursuant to section 529 of the internal revenue code.

(16) "Office" means the office of student financial assistance as defined in chapter 28B.76 RCW.

(((13))) (17) "Owner" means the eligible purchaser or the purchaser's successor in interest who shall have the exclusive authority to make decisions with respect to the tuition unit contract or the individual college savings program contract. The owner has exclusive authority and responsibility to establish and change the asset investment options for a beneficiaries' individual college savings program account.

(18) "Participant college savings program account contract" means a contract to participate in the

Washington college savings program between an eligible purchaser and the office.

(19) "State institution of higher education" means institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016.

(((14))) (20) "Tuition and fees" means undergraduate tuition and services and activities fees as defined in RCW 28B.15.020 and 28B.15.041 rounded to the nearest whole dollar. For purposes of this chapter, services and activities fees do not include fees charged for the payment of bonds heretofore or hereafter issued for, or other indebtedness incurred to pay, all or part of the cost of acquiring, constructing, or installing any lands, buildings, or facilities.

(((15))) (21) "Tuition unit contract" means a contract between an eligible purchaser and the governing body, or a successor agency appointed for administration of this chapter, for the purchase of tuition units in the advanced college tuition payment program for a specified beneficiary that may be redeemed at a later date for an equal number of tuition units, except as provided in RCW 28B.95.030(7).

(((16))) (22) "Unit purchase price" means the minimum cost to purchase one tuition unit in the advanced college tuition payment program for an eligible beneficiary. Generally, the minimum purchase price is one percent of the undergraduate tuition and fees for the current year, rounded to the nearest whole dollar, adjusted for the costs of administration and adjusted to ensure the actuarial soundness of the account. The analysis for price setting shall also include, but not be limited to consideration of past and projected patterns of tuition increases, program liability, past and projected investment returns, and the need for a prudent stabilization reserve.

Sec. 3. RCW 28B.95.025 and 2011 1st sp.s. c  $11\ s$  169 are each amended to read as follows:

The office shall maintain appropriate offices and employ and fix compensation of such personnel as may be necessary to perform the advanced college tuition payment program and the Washington college savings program duties. The office shall consult with the governing body on the selection, compensation, and other issues relating to the employment of the program director. The positions are exempt from classified service under chapter 41.06 RCW. The employees shall be employees of the office.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 28B.95 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The Washington college savings program shall be administered by the committee, which shall be chaired by the director of the office. The committee shall be supported by staff of the office.

(2) The Washington college savings program shall consist of the college savings program account and the individual college savings program accounts, and shall allow an eligible purchaser to establish an individual college savings program account for an eligible beneficiary whereby the money in the account may be invested and used for enrollment at any institution of higher education that is recognized by the internal revenue service under chapter 529 of the internal

- revenue code. Money in the account may also be used to pay for dual credit fees.
- (3) The Washington college savings program is open to eligible purchasers and eligible beneficiaries who are residents or nonresidents of Washington state.
- (4) The Washington college savings program shall not require eligible purchasers to make an initial minimum contribution in any amount that exceeds twenty-five dollars when establishing a new account.
- (5) The committee may contract with other state or nonstate entities that are authorized to do business in the state for the investment of moneys in the college savings program, including other college savings plans established pursuant to section 529 of the internal revenue code. The investment of eligible contributors' deposits may be in credit unions, savings and loan associations, banks, mutual savings banks, purchase life insurance, shares of an investment company, individual securities, fixed annuity contracts, variable annuity contracts, any insurance company, other 529 plans, or any investment company licensed to contract business in this state.
- (6) The governing body shall determine the conditions under which control or the beneficiary of an individual college savings program account may be transferred to another family member. In permitting such transfers, the governing body may not allow the individual college savings program account to be bought, sold, bartered, or otherwise exchanged for goods and services by either the beneficiary or the purchaser.
- (7) The governing body shall promote, advertise, and publicize the Washington college savings program.
- (8) The governing body shall develop materials to educate potential account owners and beneficiaries on (a) the differences between the advanced college tuition payment program and the Washington college savings program, and (b) how the two programs can complement each other to save towards the full cost of attending college.
- (9) In addition to any other powers conferred by this chapter, the governing body may:
- (a) Impose limits on the amount of contributions that may be made on behalf of any eligible beneficiary;
- (b) Determine and set age limits and any time limits for the use of benefits under this chapter;
- (c) Establish incentives to encourage participation in the Washington college savings program to include but not be limited to entering into agreements with any public or private employer under which an employee may agree to have a designated amount deducted in each payroll period from the wages due the employee for the purpose of making contributions to a participant college savings program account;
- (d) Impose and collect administrative fees and charges in connection with any transaction under this chapter;
- (e) Appoint and use advisory committees and the state actuary as needed to provide program direction and guidance:
- (f) Formulate and adopt all other policies and rules necessary for the efficient administration of the program;

- (g) Purchase insurance from insurers licensed to do business in the state, to provide for coverage against any loss in connection with the account's property, assets, or activities:
- (h) Make, execute, and deliver contracts, conveyances, and other instruments necessary to the exercise and discharge of its powers and duties under this chapter;
- (i) Contract for the provision for all or part of the services necessary for the management and operation of the Washington college savings program with other state or nonstate entities authorized to do business in the state for the investment of moneys;
- (j) Contract for other services or for goods needed by the governing body in the conduct of its business under this chapter;
- (k) Contract with financial consultants, actuaries, auditors, and other consultants as necessary to carry out its responsibilities under this chapter;
- (1) Solicit and accept gifts, bequests, cash donations, and grants from any person, governmental agency, private business, or organization; and
- (m) Perform all acts necessary and proper to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Washington college savings program under this chapter.
- (10) It is the intent of the legislature to establish policy goals for the Washington college savings program. The policy goals established under this section are deemed consistent with creating a nationally competitive 529 savings plan. The Washington college savings program should support achievement of these policy goals:
- (a) Process: To have an investment manager design a thoughtful, well-diversified glide path for age-based portfolios and offer a robust suite of investment options; (b) People: To have a well-resourced, talented, and long-tenured investment manager;
- (c) Parent: To demonstrate that the committee is a good caretaker of college savers' capital and can manage the plan professionally;
- (d) Performance: To demonstrate that the program's options have earned their keep with solid risk-adjusted returns over relevant time periods; and
- (e) Price: To demonstrate that the investment options are a good value.
- (11) The powers, duties, and functions of the Washington college savings program must be performed in a manner consistent with the policy goals in subsection (10) of this section.
- (12) The policy goals in this section are intended to be the basis for establishing detailed and measurable objectives and related performance measures.
- (13) It is the intent of the legislature that the committee establish objectives and performance measures for the investment manager to progress toward the attainment of the policy goals in subsection (10) of this section. The committee shall submit objectives and performance measures to the legislature for its review and shall provide an updated report on the objectives and measures before the regular session of the legislature during even-numbered years thereafter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 28B.95 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The committee shall create an expedited process by which owners can complete a direct rollover of a 529 account from (a) a state-sponsored prepaid tuition plan to a state-sponsored college savings plan, (b) a state-sponsored college savings plan to a state-sponsored prepaid tuition plan, or (c) a state-sponsored prepaid tuition plan or a state-sponsored college savings plan to an out-of-state eligible 529 plan.
- (2) The committee shall report annually to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature on (a) the number of accounts that have been rolled into the Washington college savings program from out of state and (b) the number of accounts rolled out of the Washington college savings program to 529 plans into other states.

Sec. 6. RCW 28B.95.035 and 1998 c 69 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

No member of the committee is liable for the negligence, default, or failure of any other person or members of the committee to perform the duties of office and no member may be considered or held to be an insurer of the funds or assets of any of the advanced college tuition payment program or any of the Washington college savings program.

Sec. 7. RCW 28B.95.040 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 11 s 171 are each amended to read as follows:

The governing body may, at its discretion, allow an organization to purchase tuition units or establish savings plans for future use as scholarships. Such organizations electing to purchase tuition units or establish Washington college savings program accounts for this purpose must enter into a contract with the governing body which, at a minimum, ensures that the scholarship shall be freely given by the purchaser to a scholarship recipient. For such purchases, the purchaser need not name a beneficiary until four months before the date when the tuition units are first expected to be used. The governing body shall formulate and adopt such rules as are necessary to determine which organizations may qualify to purchase tuition units or establish Washington college savings program accounts for scholarships under this section. The governing body also may consider additional rules for the use of tuition units or Washington college savings program accounts if purchased as scholarships.

The governing body may establish a scholarship fund with moneys from the Washington advanced college tuition payment program account. A scholarship fund established under this authority shall be administered by the office and shall be provided to students who demonstrate financial need. Financial need is not a criterion that any other organization need consider when using tuition units as scholarships. The office also may establish its own corporate-sponsored scholarship fund under this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. A new section is added to chapter 28B.95 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The Washington college savings program account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. The account shall be a discrete nontreasury account retaining its interest earnings in accordance with RCW 43.79A.040.

- (2) The governing body shall deposit in the account all moneys received for the program. The account shall be self-sustaining and consist of payments received for the purposes of college savings for the beneficiary. With the exception of investment and operating costs associated with the investment of money by a nonstate entity or paid under RCW 43.08.190, 43.33A.160, and 43.84.160, the account shall be credited with all investment income earned by the account. Disbursements from the account are exempt from appropriations and the allotment provisions of chapter 43.88 RCW. Money used for program administration is subject to the allotment of all expenditures. However, an appropriation is not required for such expenditures. Program administration includes, but is not limited to: The salaries and expenses of the Washington college savings program personnel including lease payments, travel, and goods and services necessary for program operation; contracts for Washington college savings program promotion and advertisement, audits, and account management; and other general costs of conducting the business of the Washington college savings program.
- (3) The account is authorized to maintain a cash deficit in the account for a period no more than five fiscal years to defray its initial program administration costs. By December 31, 2017, the governing body shall establish a program administration spending plan and a fee schedule to discharge any projected cash deficit to the account. The legislature may make appropriations into the account for the purpose of reducing program administration costs.
- (4) The assets of the account may be spent without appropriation for the purpose of making payments to institutions of higher education on behalf of the qualified beneficiaries, making refunds, transfers, or direct payments upon the termination of the Washington college savings program. Disbursements from the account shall be made only on the authorization of the governing body.
- (5) With regard to the assets of the account, the state acts in a fiduciary, not ownership, capacity. Therefore the assets of the program are not considered state money, common cash, or revenue to the state.

Sec. 9. RCW 28B.95.080 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 12 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

The governing body shall annually evaluate, and cause to be evaluated by the state actuary, the soundness of the advanced college tuition payment program account and determine the additional assets needed, if any, to defray the obligations of the account. The governing body may, at its discretion, consult with a nationally recognized actuary for periodic assessments of the account.

If funds are determined by the governing body, based on actuarial analysis to be insufficient to ensure the actuarial soundness of the account, the governing body shall adjust the price of subsequent tuition credit purchases to ensure its soundness.

If there are insufficient numbers of new purchases to ensure the actuarial soundness of the account, the governing body shall request such funds from the legislature as are required to ensure the integrity of the program. Funds may be appropriated directly to the account or appropriated under the condition that they be repaid at a later date. The repayment shall be made at such time that the account is again determined to be actuarially sound.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. A new section is added to chapter 28B.95 RCW to read as follows:

The governing body shall begin and continue to accept applications for new tuition unit contracts and authorize the sale of new tuition units by July 1, 2017. Upon reopening the advanced college tuition payment program, in any year in which the total annual sale of tuition units is below five hundred thousand, the governing body shall determine how to reinvigorate the advanced college tuition payment program to incentivize Washingtonians to enter into tuition unit contracts and purchase tuition units.

- Sec. 11. RCW 28B.95.090 and 2005 c 272 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) In the event that the ((state)) legislature determines that the advanced college tuition payment program is not financially feasible, or for any other reason, the ((state)) legislature may declare the discontinuance of the program. At the time of such declaration, the governing body will cease to accept any further tuition unit contracts or purchases.
- (2) The remaining tuition units for all beneficiaries who have either enrolled in higher education or who are within four years of graduation from a secondary school shall be honored until such tuition units have been exhausted, or for ten fiscal years from the date that the program has been discontinued, whichever comes first. All other contract holders shall receive a refund equal to the value of the current tuition units in effect at the time that the program was declared discontinued.
- (3) At the end of the ten-year period, any tuition units remaining unused by currently active beneficiaries enrolled in higher education shall be refunded at the value of the current tuition unit in effect at the end of that ten-year period.
- (4) At the end of the ten-year period, all other funds remaining in the account not needed to make refunds or to pay for administrative costs shall be deposited to the state general fund.
- (5) The governing body may make refunds under other exceptional circumstances as it deems fit, however, no tuition units may be honored after the end of the tenth fiscal year following the declaration of discontinuance of the program.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. A new section is added to chapter 28B.95 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The investment manager has the full power to invest, reinvest, manage, contract, sell, or exchange investment money in the Washington college savings program without limitation as to the amount pursuant to RCW 43.84.150 and 43.33A.140. All investment and operating costs associated with the investment of money must be paid to the investment manager as allowed by RCW 43.33A.160 and 43.84.160. With the exception of these expenses and the administrative costs authorized in sections 4 and 8 of this act, one hundred percent of all earnings from investments accrue directly to the owner of the individual college savings program account.

- (2) The governing body may allow owners to self-direct the investment of moneys in individual college savings program accounts through the selection of investment options. The governing body may provide plans that it deems are in the interests of the owners and beneficiaries.
- (a) The investment manager, after consultation with the governing body, shall provide a set of options for owners to choose from for investment of individual college savings program account contributions.
- (b) The investment manager has the full authority to invest moneys pursuant to the investment directions of the owner of a self-directed individual college savings program account.
- (3) Annually on each December 1st, the committee shall report to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature regarding the total fees charged to each investment option offered in the Washington college savings program. It is the intent of the legislature that fees charged to the owner not exceed one-half of one percent for any investment option on an annual basis.
- (4) In the next succeeding legislative session following receipt of a report required under subsection (3) of this section, the appropriate committees of the legislature shall review the report and consider whether any legislative action is necessary with respect to the investment option with fees that exceed one-half of one percent, including but not limited to consideration of whether any legislative action is necessary with respect to reducing the fees and expenses associated with the underlying investment option. With the exception of fees associated with the administration of the program authorized in sections 4 and 8 of this act, all moneys in the college savings program account, all property and rights purchased with the account, and all income attributable to the account, shall be held in trust for the exclusive benefit of the owners and their eligible beneficiaries.
- (5) All investments made by the investment manager shall be made with the exercise of that degree of judgment and care expressed in chapter 43.33A RCW.(6) As deemed appropriate by the investment manager,
- money in the Washington college savings program account may be commingled for investment with other funds subject to investment by the investment manager. (7) The authority to establish all policies relating to the Washington college savings program and the Washington college savings program account, other than investment policies resides with the governing body. With the exception of expenses of the investment manager as provided in subsection (1) of this section, disbursements from the Washington college savings program account shall be made only on the authorization of the governing body or its designee, and moneys in the account may be spent only for the purposes of the Washington college savings program as specified in this
- (8) The investment manager shall routinely consult and communicate with the governing body on the investment policy, earnings of the trust, and related needs of the Washington college savings program.

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- Sec. 13. RCW 28B.95.100 and 2000 c 14 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The governing body, in planning and devising the advanced college tuition payment program and the Washington college savings program, shall consult with the investment board, the state treasurer, the office of financial management, and the institutions of higher education.
- (2) The governing body may seek the assistance of the state agencies named in subsection (1) of this section, private financial institutions, and any other qualified party with experience in the areas of accounting, actuary, risk management, or investment management to assist with preparing an accounting of the programs and ensuring the fiscal soundness of the advanced college tuition payment program account and the Washington college savings program account.
- (3) State agencies and public institutions of higher education shall fully cooperate with the governing body in matters relating to the programs in order to ensure the solvency of the advanced college tuition payment account and the Washington college savings program account and ability of the governing body to meet outstanding commitments.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. A new section is added to chapter 28B.95 RCW to read as follows:

The intent of the Washington college savings program is to make distributions from individual college savings program accounts for beneficiaries' attendance at public or private institutions of higher education. Federal penalties and taxes associated with 529 savings plan refunds may apply to any refund issued by the Washington college savings plan. Refunds shall be issued under specific conditions that may include the following:

- (1) Certification that the beneficiary, who is eighteen years of age or older, will not attend a public or private institution of higher education, will result in a refund not to exceed the current value at the time of such certification. The refund shall be made no sooner than ninety days after such certification, less any administrative processing fees assessed by the governing body;
- (2) If there is certification of the death or disability of the beneficiary, the refund shall be equal to one hundred percent of the current value at the time that such certification is submitted to the governing body, less any administrative processing fees assessed by the governing body;
- (3) If there is certification by the student of graduation or program completion, the refund shall be as great as one hundred percent of the current value at the time that such certification is submitted to the governing body, less any administrative processing fees assessed by the governing body. The governing body may, at its discretion, impose a penalty if needed to comply with federal tax rules:
- (4) If there is certification of other tuition and fee scholarships that will cover the cost of tuition for the eligible beneficiary, the refund may not exceed the value of the scholarship or scholarships, less any

- administrative processing fees assessed by the governing body;
- (5) Incorrect or misleading information provided by the purchaser or beneficiaries may result in a refund of the purchaser's and contributors' contributions, less any administrative processing fees assessed by the governing body. The value of the refund must not exceed the actual dollar value of the purchaser's or contributors' contributions; and
- (6) The governing body may determine other circumstances qualifying for refunds of remaining unused participant Washington college savings program account balances and may determine the value of that refund.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. A new section is added to chapter 28B.95 RCW to read as follows:

With regard to bankruptcy filings and enforcement of judgments under Title 6 RCW, participant Washington college savings program account deposits made more than two years before the date of filing or judgment are considered excluded personal assets.

Sec. 16. RCW 28B.95.150 and 2012 c 198 s 16 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The committee may establish a college savings program. If such a program is established, the college savings program shall be established, in such form as may be determined by the committee, to be a qualified state tuition program as defined by the internal revenue service under section 529 of the internal revenue code, and shall be administered in a manner consistent with the Washington advanced college tuition payment program. The committee, in planning and devising the program, shall consult with the state investment board, the state treasurer, the state actuary, the legislative fiscal and higher education committees, and the institutions of higher education. The governing body may, at its discretion, consult with a qualified actuarial consulting firm with appropriate expertise to evaluate such plans for periodic assessments of the program.
- (2) Up to two hundred thousand dollars of administrative fees collected from guaranteed education tuition program participants may be applied as a loan to fund the development and start-up of a college savings program. This loan must be repaid with interest before the conclusion of the biennium following the biennium in which the committee draws funds for this purpose from the advanced college tuition payment program account.
- (3) The committee, after consultation with the state investment board or other contracted investment manager, shall determine the investment policies for the college savings program. Program contributions may be invested by the state investment board, in which case it and not the committee shall determine the investment policies for the college savings program, or the committee may contract with an investment company licensed to conduct business in this state to do the investing. The committee shall keep or cause to be kept full and adequate accounts and records of the assets of each individual participant in the college savings program.

- (4)(a) The governing body may elect to have the state investment board serve as investment manager for the funds in the college savings program. Members of the state investment board and its officers and employees are not considered an insurer of the funds or assets and are not liable for any action or inaction.
- (b) Members of the state investment board and its officers and employees are not liable to the state, to the fund, or to any other person as a result of their activities as members, whether ministerial or discretionary, except for willful dishonesty or intentional violations of law. The state investment board in its discretion may purchase liability insurance for members.
- (c) If selected by the governing body to be the investment manager, the state investment board retains all authority to establish all investment policies relating to the investment of college savings program moneys.
- (d) The state investment board shall routinely consult and communicate with the committee on the investment policy, earnings of the accounts, and related needs of the college savings program.
- (5) The owner has exclusive authority and responsibility to establish and change the asset allocation for an individual participant college savings program account.
- (6) Neither the state nor any eligible educational institution may be considered or held to be an insurer of the funds or assets of the individual participant accounts in the college savings program created under this section nor may any such entity be held liable for any shortage of funds in the event that balances in the individual participant accounts are insufficient to meet the educational expenses of the institution chosen by the student for which the individual participant account was intended.
- (((5))) (7) The committee shall adopt rules to implement this section. Such rules shall include but not be limited to administration, investment management, recordkeeping, promotion, and marketing; compliance with internal revenue service standards and applicable securities regulations; application procedures and fees; start-up costs; phasing in the savings program and withdrawals therefrom; deterrents to early withdrawals and provisions for hardship withdrawals; and reenrollment in the savings program after withdrawal.
- (((6))) (8) The committee may, at its discretion, determine to cease operation of the college savings program if it determines the continuation is not in the best interest of the state. The committee shall adopt rules to implement this section addressing the orderly distribution of assets.
- Sec. 17. RCW 28B.95.900 and 1997 c 289 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter shall not be construed as a promise that any beneficiary shall be granted admission to any institution of higher education, will earn any specific or minimum number of academic credits, or will graduate from any such institution. In addition, this chapter shall not be construed as a promise of either course or program availability.

Participation in ((this)) the advanced college tuition payment program or the Washington college savings program does not guarantee an eligible beneficiary the right to resident tuition and fees. To qualify for resident and respective tuition subsidies, the eligible beneficiary must meet the applicable provisions of RCW 28B.15.011 through 28B.15.015.

This chapter shall not be construed to imply that the redemption of tuition units in the advanced college tuition payment program shall be equal to any value greater than the undergraduate tuition and services and activities fees at a state institution of higher education as computed under this chapter. Eligible beneficiaries will be responsible for payment of any other fee that does not qualify as a services and activities fee including, but not limited to, any expenses for tuition surcharges, tuition overload fees, laboratory fees, equipment fees, book fees, rental fees, room and board charges, or fines.

Sec. 18. RCW 43.33A.135 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 7 s 36 are each amended to read as follows:

The state investment board has the full power to establish investment policy, develop participant investment options, and manage investment funds for the college savings program, if the committee on advanced tuition payment and college savings selects the state investment board as the investment manager pursuant to section 4 of this act, and for the state deferred compensation plan, consistent with the provisions of RCW 41.50.770 and 41.50.780. The board may continue to offer the investment options provided as of June 11, 1998, until the board establishes a deferred compensation plan investment policy and adopts new investment options after considering recommendations of the department of retirement

Sec. 19. RCW 43.33A.190 and 2000 c 247 s 701 are each amended to read as follows:

((Pursuant to RCW 41.34.130,)) The state investment board shall invest all self-directed investment moneys under teachers' retirement system plan 3, the school employees' retirement system plan 3, and the public employees' retirement system plan 3 pursuant to RCW 41.34.130 and under the college savings program, if the committee on advanced tuition payment and college savings selects the state investment board as the investment manager pursuant to section 4 of this act, with full power to establish investment policy, develop investment options, and manage self-directed investment funds.

Sec. 20. RCW 43.79A.040 and 2013 c 251 s 5 and 2013 c 88 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

- (1) Money in the treasurer's trust fund may be deposited, invested, and reinvested by the state treasurer in accordance with RCW 43.84.080 in the same manner and to the same extent as if the money were in the state treasury, and may be commingled with moneys in the state treasury for cash management and cash balance purposes.
- (2) All income received from investment of the treasurer's trust fund must be set aside in an account in the treasury trust fund to be known as the investment income account.
- (3) The investment income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services on behalf of

treasurer's trust funds including, but not limited to, depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasurer or affected state agencies. The investment income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for payments to financial institutions. Payments must occur prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.

(4)(a) Monthly, the state treasurer must distribute the earnings credited to the investment income account to the state general fund except under (b), (c), and (d) of this subsection.

(b) The following accounts and funds must receive their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The Washington promise scholarship account, the Washington advanced college tuition payment program account, the Washington college savings program account, the accessible communities account, the community and technical college innovation account, the agricultural local fund, the American Indian scholarship endowment fund, the foster care scholarship endowment fund, the foster care endowed scholarship trust fund, the contract harvesting revolving account, the Washington state combined fund drive account, the commemorative works account, the county enhanced 911 excise tax account, the toll collection account, the developmental disabilities endowment trust fund, the energy account, the fair fund, the family leave insurance account, the food animal veterinarian conditional scholarship account, the fruit and vegetable inspection account, the future teachers conditional scholarship account, the game farm alternative account, the GET ready for math and science scholarship account, the Washington global health technologies and product development account, the grain inspection revolving fund, the industrial insurance rainy day fund, the juvenile accountability incentive account, the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' plan 2 expense fund, the local tourism promotion account, the multiagency permitting team account, the pilotage account, the produce railcar pool account, the regional transportation investment district account, the rural rehabilitation account, the stadium and exhibition center account, the youth athletic facility account, the selfinsurance revolving fund, the children's trust fund, the Washington horse racing commission Washington bred owners' bonus fund and breeder awards account, the Washington horse racing commission class C purse fund account, the individual development account program account, the Washington horse racing commission operating account, the life sciences discovery fund, the Washington state heritage center account, the reduced cigarette ignition propensity account, the center for childhood deafness and hearing loss account, the school for the blind account, the Millersylvania park trust fund, the public employees' and retirees' insurance reserve fund, and the radiation perpetual maintenance fund.

(c) The following accounts and funds must receive eighty percent of their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The advanced right-of-way revolving fund, the advanced environmental mitigation revolving account, the federal narcotics asset forfeitures account, the high occupancy vehicle account, the local rail service assistance account, and the miscellaneous transportation programs account.

(d) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts or funds not statutorily required to be held in the custody of the state treasurer that deposits funds into a fund or account in the custody of the state treasurer pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period.

(5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state Constitution, no trust accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 21. If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2016, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Hansen, Chair; Pollet, Vice Chair; Bergquist; Frame; Reykdal; Sells and Tarleton.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Hargrove; Stambaugh and Van Werven.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representatives Zeiger, Ranking Minority Member; Haler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member and Holy.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 25, 2016

#### ESSB 6605

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development: Ensuring that solid waste management requirements prevent the spread of disease, plant pathogens, and pests. Reported by Committee on Environment

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 70.95.060 and 1999 c 116 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The department shall adopt rules establishing minimum functional standards for solid waste handling, consistent with the standards specified in this section. The department may classify areas of the state with respect to population density, climate, geology, status under a quarantine as defined in RCW 17.24.007, and other relevant factors bearing on solid waste disposal standards.
- (2) In addition to the minimum functional standards adopted by the department under subsection (1) of this section, each landfill facility whose area at its design capacity will exceed one hundred acres and whose

horizontal height at design capacity will average one hundred feet or more above existing site elevations shall comply with the standards of this subsection. This subsection applies only to wholly new solid waste landfill facilities, no part or unit of which has had construction commence before April 27, 1999.

- (a) No landfill specified in this subsection may be located:
- (i) So that the active area is closer than five miles to any national park or a public or private nonprofit zoological park displaying native animals in their native habitats; or
- (ii) Over a sole source aquifer designated under the federal safe drinking water act, if such designation was effective before January 1, 1999.
- (b) Each landfill specified in this subsection (2) shall be constructed with an impermeable berm around the entire perimeter of the active area of the landfill of such height, thickness, and design as will be sufficient to contain all material disposed in the event of a complete failure of the structural integrity of the landfill.
- Sec. 2. RCW 70.95.165 and 2015 1st sp.s. c 4 s 49 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Each county or city siting a solid waste disposal facility shall review each potential site for conformance with the standards as set by the department for:
- (a) Geology;
- (b) Groundwater;
- (c) Soil;
- (d) Flooding;
- (e) Surface water;
- (f) Slope;
- (g) Cover material;
- (h) Capacity;
- (i) Climatic factors;
- (j) Land use;
- (k) Toxic air emissions; and
- (1) Other factors as determined by the department.
- (2) The standards in subsection (1) of this section shall be designed to use the best available technology to protect the environment and human health, and shall be revised periodically to reflect new technology and information.
- (3) Each county shall establish a local solid waste advisory committee to assist in the development of programs and policies concerning solid waste handling and disposal and to review and comment upon proposed rules, policies, or ordinances prior to their adoption. Such committees shall consist of a minimum of nine members and shall represent a balance of interests including, but not limited to, citizens, public interest groups, business, the waste management industry, agriculture, and local elected public officials. The members shall be appointed by the county legislative authority. A county or city shall not apply for funds from the state and local improvements revolving account, Waste Disposal Facilities, 1980, under RCW 43.83.350, for the preparation, update, or major amendment of a comprehensive solid waste management plan unless the plan or revision has been prepared with the active assistance and participation of a local solid waste advisory committee.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 70.95 RCW to read as follows:

Upon receipt by the department of a preliminary draft plan as provided in RCW 70.95.094, the department shall immediately provide a copy of the preliminary draft plan to the department of agriculture. Within forty-five days after receiving the preliminary draft plan, the department of agriculture shall review the preliminary draft plan for compliance with chapter 17.24 RCW and the rules adopted under that chapter. The department of agriculture shall advise the local government submitting the preliminary draft plan and the department of the result of the review.

- Sec. 4. RCW 70.95.180 and 1997 c 213 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Applications for permits to operate a new or modified solid waste handling facility shall be on forms prescribed by the department and shall contain a description of the proposed facilities and operations at the site, plans and specifications for any new or additional facilities to be constructed, and such other information as the jurisdictional health department may deem necessary in order to determine whether the site and solid waste disposal facilities located thereon will comply with local regulations and state ((regulations)) rules.
- (2) Upon receipt of an application for a permit to establish or modify a solid waste handling facility, the jurisdictional health department shall refer one copy of the application to the department which shall report its findings to the jurisdictional health department. When the application is for a permit to establish or modify a solid waste handling facility located in an area that is not under a quarantine, as defined in RCW 17.24.007, and when the facility will receive material for composting from an area under a quarantine, the jurisdictional health department shall also provide a copy of the application to the department of agriculture. The department of agriculture shall review the application to determine whether it contains information demonstrating that the proposed facility presents a risk of spreading disease, plant pathogens, or pests to areas that are not under a quarantine. For the purposes of this subsection, "composting" means the biological degradation and transformation of organic solid waste under controlled conditions designed to promote aerobic decomposition. (3) The jurisdictional health department shall investigate every application as may be necessary to determine whether a proposed or modified site and facilities meet all solid waste, air, and other applicable laws and regulations, and conforms with the approved comprehensive solid waste handling plan, and complies with all zoning requirements.
- (4) When the jurisdictional health department finds that the permit should be issued, it shall issue such permit. Every application shall be approved or disapproved within ninety days after its receipt by the jurisdictional health department.
- (5) The jurisdictional board of health may establish reasonable fees for permits and renewal of permits. All permit fees collected by the health department shall be

deposited in the treasury and to the account from which the health department's operating expenses are paid.

Sec. 5. RCW 70.95.200 and 1969 ex.s. c 134 s 20 are each amended to read as follows:

Any permit for a solid waste disposal site issued as provided herein shall be subject to suspension at any time the jurisdictional health department determines that the site or the solid waste disposal facilities located on the site are being operated in violation of this chapter, ((or)) the regulations of the department, the rules of the department of agriculture, or local laws and regulations. Sec. 6. RCW 70.95.300 and 1998 c 156 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The department may by rule exempt a solid waste from the permitting requirements of this chapter for one or more beneficial uses. In adopting such rules, the department shall specify both the solid waste that is exempted from the permitting requirements and the beneficial use or uses for which the solid waste is so exempted. The department shall consider: (a) Whether the material will be beneficially used or reused; and (b) whether the beneficial use or reuse of the material will present threats to human health or the environment.
- (2) The department may also exempt a solid waste from the permitting requirements of this chapter for one or more beneficial uses by approving an application for such an exemption. The department shall establish by rule procedures under which a person may apply to the department for such an exemption. The rules shall establish criteria for providing such an exemption, which shall include, but not be limited to: (a) The material will be beneficially used or reused; and (b) the beneficial use or reuse of the material will not present threats to human health or the environment. Rules adopted under this subsection shall identify the information that an application shall contain. Persons seeking such an exemption shall apply to the department under the procedures established by the rules adopted under this subsection.
- (3) After receipt of an application filed under rules adopted under subsection (2) of this section, the department shall review the application to determine whether it is complete, and forward a copy of the completed application to all jurisdictional health departments and the department of agriculture for review and comment. Within forty-five days, the jurisdictional health departments and the department of agriculture shall forward to the department their comments and any other information they deem relevant to the department's decision to approve or disapprove the application. The department of agriculture's comments must be limited to addressing whether approving the application risks spreading disease, plant pathogens, or pests to areas that are not under a quarantine, as defined in RCW 17.24.007. Every complete application shall be approved or disapproved by the department within ninety days of receipt. If the application is approved by the department, the solid waste is exempt from the permitting requirements of this chapter when used anywhere in the state in the manner approved by the department. If the composition, use, or reuse of the solid waste is not consistent with the terms and conditions of

- the department's approval of the application, the use of the solid waste remains subject to the permitting requirements of this chapter.
- (4) The department shall establish procedures by rule for providing to the public and the solid waste industry notice of and an opportunity to comment on each application for an exemption under subsection (2) of this section.
- (5) Any jurisdictional health department or applicant may appeal the decision of the department to approve or disapprove an application under subsection (3) of this section. The appeal shall be made to the pollution control hearings board by filing with the hearings board a notice of appeal within thirty days of the decision of the department. The hearings board's review of the decision shall be made in accordance with chapter 43.21B RCW and any subsequent appeal of a decision of the board shall be made in accordance with RCW 43.21B.180.
- (6) This section shall not be deemed to invalidate the exemptions or determinations of nonapplicability in the department's solid waste rules as they exist on June 11, 1998, which exemptions and determinations are recognized and confirmed subject to the department's continuing authority to modify or revoke those exemptions or determinations by rule.
- Sec. 7. RCW 70.95.205 and 1998 c 36 s 18 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Waste-derived soil amendments that meet the standards and criteria in this section may apply for exemption from solid waste permitting as required under RCW 70.95.170. The application shall be submitted to the department in a format determined by the department or an equivalent format. The application shall include:
- (a) Analytical data showing that the waste-derived soil amendments meet standards established under RCW 15.54.800; and
- (b) Other information deemed appropriate by the department to protect human health and the environment.
- (2) After receipt of an application, the department shall review it to determine whether the application is complete, and forward a copy of the complete application to all interested jurisdictional health departments and the department of agriculture for review and comment. Within forty-five days, the jurisdictional health departments and the department of agriculture shall forward their comments and any other information they deem relevant to the department, which shall then give final approval or disapproval of the application. The department of agriculture's comments must be limited to addressing whether approving the application risks spreading disease, plant pathogens, or pests to areas that are not under a quarantine, as defined in RCW 17.24.007. Every complete application shall be approved or disapproved by the department within ninety days after receipt.
- (3) The department, after providing opportunity for comments from the jurisdictional health departments and the department of agriculture, may at any time revoke an exemption granted under this section if the quality or use of the waste-derived soil amendment changes or the management, storage, or end use of the

waste-derived soil amendment constitutes a threat to human health or the environment.

(4) Any aggrieved party may appeal the determination by the department in subsection (2) or (3) of this section to the pollution control hearings board.

Sec. 8. RCW 70.95.315 and 2009 c 178 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The department may assess a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars per day per violation to any person exempt from solid waste permitting in accordance with RCW 70.95.205, 70.95.300, 70.95.305, 70.95.306, or 70.95.330 who fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption. Each such violation shall be a separate and distinct offense, and in the case of a continuing violation, each day's continuance shall be a separate and distinct violation. The penalty provided in this section shall be imposed pursuant to RCW 43.21B.300.
- (2) If a person violates a provision of any of the sections referenced in subsection (1) of this section, the department may issue an appropriate order to ensure compliance with the conditions of the exemption. The order may be appealed pursuant to RCW 43.21B.310." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Fitzgibbon, Chair; Peterson, Vice Chair; Shea, Ranking Minority Member; Short, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Dye; Farrell; Fey; Goodman; McBride; Pike and Taylor.

Passed to Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

February 25, 2016

SB 6633

Prime Sponsor, Senator Ranker: Concerning the marine resources advisory council. Reported by Committee on Environment

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Fitzgibbon, Chair; Peterson, Vice Chair; Farrell; Fey; Goodman and McBride.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Shea, Ranking Minority Member; Short, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Dye; Pike and Taylor.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

There being no objection, the bills and resolution listed on the day's committee reports under the fifth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the eighth order of business.

There being no objection, the Committee on Rules was relieved of SENATE BILL NO. 6211, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Finance.

There being no objection, the Committee on Rules was relieved of SENATE BILL NO. 6525, and the bill was referred to the Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

There being no objection, the House reverted to the fifth order of business.

## FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

February 26, 2016

ESSB 5029

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Concerning the revised uniform fiduciary access to digital assets act. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. SHORT TITLE. This act may be known and cited as the revised uniform fiduciary access to digital assets act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

- (1) "Account" means an arrangement under a terms-ofservice agreement in which a custodian carries, maintains, processes, receives, or stores a digital asset of the user or provides goods or services to the user.
- (2) "Agent" means an attorney in fact granted authority under a durable or nondurable power of attorney.
- (3) "Carries" means engages in the transmission of an electronic communication.
- (4) "Catalogue of electronic communications" means information that identifies each person with which a user has had an electronic communication, the time and date of the communication, and the electronic address of the person.
- (5) "Content of an electronic communication" means information concerning the substance or meaning of the communication which:
- (a) Has been sent or received by a user;
- (b) Is in electronic storage by a custodian providing an electronic communication service to the public or is carried or maintained by a custodian providing a remote computing service to the public; and
- (c) Is not readily accessible to the public.
- (6) "Court" means the superior court of each county.
- (7) "Custodian" means a person that carries, maintains, processes, receives, or stores a digital asset of a user.
- (8) "Designated recipient" means a person chosen by a user using an online tool to administer digital assets of the user.
- (9) "Digital asset" means an electronic record in which an individual has a right or interest. The term does not include an underlying asset or liability unless the asset or liability is itself an electronic record.
- (10) "Electronic" means relating to technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities.

- (11) "Electronic communication" has the meaning set forth in 18 U.S.C. Sec. 2510(12), as it existed on the effective date of this section.
- (12) "Electronic communication service" means a custodian that provides to a user the ability to send or receive an electronic communication.
- (13) "Fiduciary" means an original, additional, or successor personal representative, guardian, agent, or trustee.
- (14) "Guardian" means a person appointed by a court to manage the estate or person, or both, of a living individual. The term includes a limited guardian or certified professional guardian.
- (15) "Incapacitated person" means an individual for whom a guardian has been appointed.
- (16) "Information" means data, text, images, videos, sounds, codes, computer programs, software, databases, or the like.
- (17) "Online tool" means an electronic service provided by a custodian that allows the user, in an agreement distinct from the terms-of-service agreement between the custodian and user, to provide directions for disclosure or nondisclosure of digital assets to a third person.
- (18) "Person" means an individual, estate, business or nonprofit entity, public corporation, government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or other legal entity.
- (19) "Personal representative" means an executor, administrator, special administrator, or person that performs substantially the same function under law of this state other than this chapter.
- (20) "Power of attorney" means a record that grants an agent authority to act in the place of a principal.
- (21) "Principal" means an individual who grants authority to an agent in a power of attorney.
- (22) "Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.
- (23) "Remote computing service" means a custodian that provides to a user computer processing services or the storage of digital assets by means of an electronic communications system, as defined in 18 U.S.C. Sec. 2510(14), as it existed on the effective date of this section.
- (24) "Terms-of-service agreement" means an agreement that controls the relationship between a user and a custodian.
- (25) "Trustee" means a fiduciary with legal title to property under an agreement or declaration that creates a beneficial interest in another. The term includes a successor trustee.
- (26) "User" means a person that has an account with a custodian.
- (27) "Will" includes a codicil, testamentary instrument that only appoints an executor, and instrument that revokes or revises a testamentary instrument.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. APPLICABILITY. (1) This chapter applies to:
- (a) A fiduciary acting under a will or power of attorney executed before, on, or after the effective date of this section:

- (b) A personal representative acting for a decedent who died before, on, or after the effective date of this section;
- (c) A guardian acting for an incapacitated person appointed before, on, or after the effective date of this section:
- (d) A trustee acting under a trust created before, on, or after the effective date of this section; and
- (e) A custodian if the user resides in this state or resided in this state at the time of the user's death.
- (2) This chapter does not apply to a digital asset of an employer used by an employee in the ordinary course of the employer's business.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. USER DIRECTION FOR DISCLOSURE OF DIGITAL ASSETS. (1) A user may use an online tool to direct the custodian to disclose to a designated recipient or not to disclose some or all of the user's digital assets, including the content of electronic communications. If the online tool allows the user to modify or delete a direction at all times, a direction regarding disclosure using an online tool overrides a contrary direction by the user in a will, trust, power of attorney, or other record.
- (2) If a user has not used an online tool to give direction under subsection (1) of this section or if the custodian has not provided an online tool, the user may allow or prohibit in a will, trust, power of attorney, or other record, disclosure to a fiduciary of some or all of the user's digital assets, including the content of electronic communications sent or received by the user.
- (3) A user's direction under subsection (1) or (2) of this section overrides a contrary provision in a terms-of-service agreement that does not require the user to act affirmatively and distinctly from the user's assent to the terms-of-service agreement.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. TERMS-OF-SERVICE AGREEMENT. (1) This chapter does not change or impair a right of a custodian or a user under a terms-of-service agreement to access and use digital assets of the user
- (2) This chapter does not give a fiduciary or a designated recipient any new or expanded rights other than those held by the user for whom, or for whose estate, the fiduciary or designated recipient acts or represents.
- (3) A fiduciary's or designated recipient's access to digital assets may be modified or eliminated by a user, by federal law, or by a terms-of-service agreement if the user has not provided direction under section 4 of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. PROCEDURE FOR DISCLOSING DIGITAL ASSETS. (1) When disclosing digital assets of a user under this chapter, the custodian may at its sole discretion:
- (a) Grant a fiduciary or designated recipient full access to the user's account;
- (b) Grant a fiduciary or designated recipient partial access to the user's account sufficient to perform the tasks with which the fiduciary or designated recipient is charged; or
- (c) Provide a fiduciary or designated recipient a copy in a record of any digital asset that, on the date the custodian received the request for disclosure, the user

- could have accessed if the user were alive and had full capacity and access to the account.
- (2) A custodian may assess a reasonable administrative charge for the cost of disclosing digital assets under this chapter.
- (3) A custodian need not disclose under this chapter a digital asset deleted by a user.
- (4) If a user directs or a fiduciary or designated recipient requests a custodian to disclose under this chapter some, but not all, of the user's digital assets, the custodian need not disclose the assets if segregation of the assets would impose an undue burden on the custodian. If the custodian believes the direction or request imposes an undue burden, the custodian or the fiduciary or designated recipient may seek an order from the court to disclose:
- (a) A subset limited by date of the user's digital assets;
- (b) All of the user's digital assets to the fiduciary or designated recipient;
- (c) None of the user's digital assets; or
- (d) All of the user's digital assets to the court for review in camera.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. DISCLOSURE OF CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS OF DECEASED USER. If a deceased user consented to or a court directs disclosure of the contents of electronic communications of the user, the custodian shall disclose to the personal representative of the estate of the user the content of an electronic communication sent or received by the user if the personal representative gives the custodian:

- (1) A written request for disclosure in physical or electronic form;
- (2) A certified copy of the death certificate of the user;
- (3) A certified copy of the letter of appointment of the representative, or a small estate affidavit or court order;
- (4) Unless the user provided direction using an online tool, a copy of the user's will, trust, power of attorney, or other record evidencing the user's consent to disclosure of the content of electronic communications; and
- (5) If requested by the custodian:
- (a) A number, user name, address, or other unique subscriber or account identifier assigned by the custodian to identify the user's account;
- (b) Evidence linking the account to the user; or
- (c) A finding by the court that:
- (i) The user had a specific account with the custodian, identifiable by the information specified in (a) of this subsection;
- (ii) Disclosure of the content of electronic communications of the user would not violate 18 U.S.C. Sec. 2701 et seq. and 47 U.S.C. Sec. 222, existing on the effective date of this section, or other applicable law;
- (iii) Unless the user provided direction using an online tool, the user consented to disclosure of the content of electronic communications; or
- (iv) Disclosure of the content of electronic communications of the user is reasonably necessary for administration of the estate.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. DISCLOSURE OF OTHER DIGITAL ASSETS OF DECEASED USER. Unless the user prohibited disclosure of digital assets or the court

- directs otherwise, a custodian shall disclose to the personal representative of the estate of a deceased user a catalogue of electronic communications sent or received by the user and digital assets, other than the content of electronic communications of the user, if the representative gives the custodian:
- (1) A written request for disclosure in physical or electronic form;
- (2) A certified copy of the death certificate of the user;
- (3) A certified copy of the letter of appointment of the representative, or a small estate affidavit or court order; and
- (4) If requested by the custodian:
- (a) A number, user name, or address, or other unique subscriber or account identifier assigned by the custodian to identify the user's account;
- (b) Evidence linking the account to the user;
- (c) An affidavit stating that disclosure of the user's digital assets is reasonably necessary for administration of the estate; or
- (d) A finding by the court that:
- (i) The user had a specific account with the custodian, identifiable by the information specified in (a) of this subsection; or
- (ii) Disclosure of the user's digital assets is reasonably necessary for administration of the estate.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. DISCLOSURE OF CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS OF PRINCIPAL. To the extent a power of attorney expressly grants an agent authority over the content of electronic communications sent or received by the principal and unless directed otherwise by the principal or the court, a custodian shall disclose to the agent the content if the agent gives the custodian:

- (1) A written request for disclosure in physical or electronic form;
- (2) An original or copy of the power of attorney expressly granting the agent authority over the content of electronic communications of the principal;
- (3) A certification by the agent, under penalty of perjury, that the power of attorney is in effect; and
- (4) If requested by the custodian:
- (a) A number, user name, address, or other unique subscriber or account identifier assigned by the custodian to identify the principal's account; or
- (b) Evidence linking the account to the principal.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. DISCLOSURE OF OTHER DIGITAL ASSETS OF PRINCIPAL. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, directed by the principal, or provided by a power of attorney, a custodian shall disclose to an agent with specific authority over digital assets or general authority to act on behalf of a principal a catalogue of electronic communications sent or received by the principal and digital assets, other than the content of electronic communications of the principal, if the agent gives the custodian:

- (1) A written request for disclosure in physical or electronic form;
- (2) An original or a copy of the power of attorney that gives the agent specific authority over digital assets or general authority to act on behalf of the principal;

- (3) A certification by the agent, under penalty of perjury, that the power of attorney is in effect; and
- (4) If requested by the custodian:
- (a) A number, user name, address, or other unique subscriber or account identifier assigned by the custodian to identify the principal's account; or
- (b) Evidence linking the account to the principal.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. DISCLOSURE OF DIGITAL ASSETS HELD IN TRUST WHEN TRUSTEE IS ORIGINAL USER. Unless otherwise ordered by the court or provided in a trust, a custodian shall disclose to a trustee that is an original user of an account any digital asset of that account held in trust, including a catalogue of electronic communications of the trustee and the content of electronic communications.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. DISCLOSURE OF CONTENT OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS HELD IN TRUST WHEN TRUSTEE NOT ORIGINAL USER. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, directed by the user, or provided in a trust, a custodian shall disclose to a trustee that is not an original user of an account the content of an electronic communication sent or received by an original or successor user and carried, maintained, processed, received, or stored by the custodian in the account of the trust if the trustee gives the custodian:

- (1) A written request for disclosure in physical or electronic form;
- (2) A certified copy of the trust instrument, or a certification of the trust under RCW 11.98.075, that includes consent to disclosure of the content of electronic communications to the trustee;
- (3) A certification by the trustee, under penalty of perjury, that the trust exists and the trustee is a currently acting trustee of the trust; and
- (4) If requested by the custodian:
- (a) A number, user name, address, or other unique subscriber or account identifier assigned by the custodian to identify the trust's account; or
- (b) Evidence linking the account to the trust.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. DISCLOSURE OF OTHER DIGITAL ASSETS HELD IN TRUST WHEN TRUSTEE NOT ORIGINAL USER. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, directed by the user, or provided in a trust, a custodian shall disclose, to a trustee that is not an original user of an account, a catalogue of electronic communications sent or received by an original or successor user and stored, carried, or maintained by the custodian in an account of the trust and any digital assets, other than the content of electronic communications in which the trust has a right or interest, if the trustee gives the custodian:

- (1) A written request for disclosure in physical or electronic form;
- (2) A certified copy of the trust instrument or a certification of the trust under RCW 11.98.075;
- (3) A certification by the trustee, under penalty of perjury, that the trust exists and the trustee is a currently acting trustee of the trust; and
- (4) If requested by the custodian:

- (a) A number, user name, address, or other unique subscriber or account identifier assigned by the custodian to identify the trust's account; or
- (b) Evidence linking the account to the trust.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. DISCLOSURE OF DIGITAL ASSETS TO GUARDIAN OF INCAPACITATED PERSON. (1) Unless otherwise ordered by the court, a guardian appointed due to a finding of incapacity under RCW 11.88.010(1) has the right to access an incapacitated person's digital assets other than the content of electronic communications.

- (2) Unless otherwise ordered by the court or directed by the user, a custodian shall disclose to a guardian the catalogue of electronic communications sent or received by an incapacitated person and any digital assets, other than the content of electronic communications, if the guardian gives the custodian:
- (a) A written request for disclosure in physical or electronic form;
- (b) Certified copies of letters of guardianship and the court order appointing the guardian; and
- (c) If requested by the custodian:
- (i) A number, user name, address, or other unique subscriber or account identifier assigned by the custodian to identify the account of the person; or
- (ii) Evidence linking the account to the incapacitated person.
- (3) A guardian may request a custodian of the incapacitated person's digital assets to suspend or terminate an account of the incapacitated person for good cause. A request made under this section must be accompanied by certified copies of letters of guardianship and the court order appointing the guardian.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. FIDUCIARY DUTY AND AUTHORITY. (1) The legal duties imposed on a fiduciary charged with managing tangible property apply to the management of digital assets, including:

- (a) The duty of care;
- (b) The duty of loyalty; and
- (c) The duty of confidentiality.
- (2) A fiduciary's or designated recipient's authority with respect to a digital asset of a user:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in section 4 of this act, is subject to the applicable terms-of-service agreement;
- (b) Is subject to other applicable law, including copyright law;
- (c) In the case of a fiduciary, is limited by the scope of the fiduciary's duties; and
- (d) May not be used to impersonate the user.
- (3) A fiduciary with authority over the property of a decedent, incapacitated person, principal, or settlor has the right to access any digital asset in which the decedent, incapacitated person, principal, or settlor had a right or interest and that is not held by a custodian or subject to a terms-of-service agreement.
- (4) A fiduciary acting within the scope of the fiduciary's duties is an authorized user of the property of the decedent, incapacitated person, principal, or settlor for the purpose of applicable computer fraud and unauthorized computer access laws.

- (5) A fiduciary with authority over the tangible, personal property of a decedent, incapacitated person, principal, or settlor:
- (a) Has the right to access the property and any digital asset stored in it; and
- (b) Is an authorized user for the purpose of computer fraud and unauthorized computer access laws.
- (6) A custodian may disclose information in an account to a fiduciary of the user when the information is required to terminate an account used to access digital assets licensed to the user.
- (7) A fiduciary of a user may request a custodian to terminate the user's account. A request for termination must be in writing, in either physical or electronic form, and accompanied by:
- (a) If the user is deceased, a certified copy of the death certificate of the user;
- (b) A certified copy of the letter of appointment of the representative or a small estate affidavit or court order, court order, power of attorney, or trust giving the fiduciary authority over the account; and
- (c) If requested by the custodian:
- (i) A number, user name, address, or other unique subscriber or account identifier assigned by the custodian to identify the user's account;
- (ii) Evidence linking the account to the user; or
- (iii) A finding by the court that the user had a specific account with the custodian, identifiable by the information specified in (c)(i) of this subsection.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 16. CUSTODIAN COMPLIANCE AND IMMUNITY. (1) Not later than sixty days after receipt of the information required under sections 7 through 15 of this act, a custodian shall comply with a request under this chapter from a fiduciary or designated recipient to disclose digital assets or terminate an account. If the custodian fails to comply, the fiduciary or designated recipient may apply to the court for an order directing compliance.
- (2) An order under subsection (1) of this section directing compliance must contain a finding that compliance is not in violation of 18 U.S.C. Sec. 2702, as it existed on the effective date of this section.
- (3) A custodian may notify the user that a request for disclosure or to terminate an account was made under this chapter.
- (4) A custodian may deny a request under this chapter from a fiduciary or designated recipient for disclosure of digital assets or to terminate an account if the custodian is aware of any lawful access to the account following the receipt of the fiduciary's request.
- (5) This section does not limit a custodian's ability to obtain or require a fiduciary or designated recipient requesting disclosure or termination under this chapter to obtain a court order which:
- (a) Specifies that an account belongs to the incapacitated person, trustor, decedent, or principal;
- (b) Specifies that there is sufficient consent from the incapacitated person, trustor, decedent, or principal to support the requested disclosure; and
- (c) Contains a finding required by law other than this chapter.

(6) A custodian and its officers, employees, and agents are immune from liability for an act or omission done in good faith in compliance with this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 17. UNIFORMITY OF APPLICATION AND CONSTRUCTION. In applying and construing this chapter, consideration must be given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with respect to its subject matter among states that enact it.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 18. RELATION TO ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES IN GLOBAL AND NATIONAL COMMERCE ACT. This chapter modifies, limits, or supersedes the electronic signatures in global and national commerce act, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7001 et seq., but does not modify, limit, or supersede 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7001(c) or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7003(b). NEW SECTION. Sec. 19. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 20. Sections 1 through 19 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 11 RCW."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member and Haler.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SB 5363

Prime Sponsor, Senator Padden: Prohibiting the use of eminent domain for economic development. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) It is the intent of the legislature to recognize, reaffirm, and support existing Washington case law under Article I, section 16 of the state Constitution, that prohibits the condemnation of private property other than for certain public purposes pursuant to law.

(2) In light of the United States supreme court decision in Kelo v. New London 545 U.S. 469 (2005), the legislature intends to reaffirm existing Washington state law relating to the use of eminent domain by state and local governments, and to reaffirm the prohibition in Article I, section 16 of the state Constitution on the use of eminent domain to take private property for private use. To this end, the legislature recognizes, reaffirms, and supports the restrictions on the use of eminent domain to take private property for private use, as set

forth in chapters 8.04, 8.08, 8.12, 8.16, and 8.20 RCW and in the Washington state supreme court's decisions such as Hogue v. Seattle, 54 Wn.2d 799, 341 P.2d 171 (1959); Miller v. Tacoma, 61 Wn.2d 374, 378 P.2d 464 (1963); In re Petition of Seattle, 96 Wn.2d 616, 638 P.2d 549 (1981); and State ex rel. Washington State Convention & Trade Center v. Evans, 136 Wn.2d 811, 966 P.2d 1252 (1998).

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Consumer-owned utility" has the same meaning as in RCW 19.27A.140.
- (2) "Economic development" means any activity to increase tax revenue, tax base, employment, or general economic health, when that activity does not result in:
- (a) The transfer of property to public possession, occupation, and enjoyment;
- (b) The transfer of property to a private entity that is a public service company, consumer-owned utility, or common carrier;
- (c) The use of eminent domain:
- (i)(A) To remove a public nuisance;
- (B) To remove a structure that is beyond repair or unfit for human habitation or use; or
- (C) To acquire abandoned property; and
- (ii) To eliminate a direct threat to public health and safety caused by the property in its current condition; or
- (d) The transfer of property to private entities that occupy an incidental area within a publicly owned and occupied project.

"Economic development" does not include the transfer of property to a public service company, a consumerowned utility, or a common carrier for the purpose of constructing, operating, or maintaining generation, transmission, or distribution facilities. "Economic development" also does not include port districts' activities under Title 14 or 53 RCW. "Economic development" also does not include highway projects.

- (3) "Public service company" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 80.04.010.
- (4)(a) "Public use" means:
- (i) The possession, occupation, and enjoyment of the property by the general public, or by public agencies;
- (ii) The use of property for the creation or functioning of public service companies, a consumer-owned utility, or common carriers; or
- (iii) Where the use of eminent domain:
- (A)(I) Removes a public nuisance;
- (II) Removes a structure that is beyond repair or unfit for human habitation or use; or
- (III) Is used to acquire abandoned property; and
- (B) Eliminates a direct threat to public health and safety caused by the property in its current condition.
- (b) The public benefits of economic development, including an increase in tax base, tax revenues, employment, and general economic health, may not constitute a public use.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. Private property may be taken only for public use and the taking of private property by any public entity for economic development does not

constitute a public use. No public entity may take property for the purpose of economic development.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. In an action to establish or challenge the asserted public use of a taking of private property, the taking of private property shall be deemed for economic development, and not a proper basis for eminent domain, if the court determines that the taking of the private property does not result in any of the exceptions to economic development set forth in section 2(2) of this act, and economic development was a substantial factor in the governmental body's decision to take the property.

Sec. 5. RCW 35.81.080 and 2002 c 218 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:

A municipality shall have the right to acquire by condemnation, in accordance with the procedure provided for condemnation by such municipality for other purposes, any interest in real property, which it may deem necessary for a community renewal project under this chapter after the adoption by the local governing body of a resolution declaring that the acquisition of the real property described therein is necessary for such purpose. Condemnation for community renewal of blighted areas is declared to be a public use, and property already devoted to any other public use or acquired by the owner or a predecessor in interest by eminent domain may be condemned for the purposes of this chapter. Condemnation of property in blighted areas for economic development, as defined in section 2 of this act, is not a public use.

The award of compensation for real property taken for such a project shall not be increased by reason of any increase in the value of the real property caused by the assembly, clearance, or reconstruction, or proposed assembly, clearance, or reconstruction in the project area. No allowance shall be made for the improvements begun on real property after notice to the owner of such property of the institution of proceedings to condemn such property. Evidence shall be admissible bearing upon the insanitary, unsafe, or substandard condition of the premises, or the unlawful use thereof.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Sections 1 through 4 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 8 RCW."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SB 5549
Prime Sponsor, Senator Jayapal:
Concerning the registration and disciplining of pharmacy assistants.
Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair;

Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Rodne; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 23, 2016

SB 5581

Prime Sponsor, Senator Angel: Addressing the benefits of group life and disability insurance policies. Reported by Committee on Business & Financial Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kirby, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair; Vick, Ranking Minority Member; McCabe, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Barkis; Blake; Dye; Hurst; Kochmar; Ryu and Santos.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SB 5605

Prime Sponsor, Senator Darneille: Concerning the arrest of sixteen and seventeen year olds for domestic violence assault. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 10.31.100 and 2014 c 202 s 307, 2014 c 100 s 2, and 2014 c 5 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

A police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a felony shall have the authority to arrest the person without a warrant. A police officer may arrest a person without a warrant for committing a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor only when the offense is committed in the presence of an officer, except as provided in subsections (1) through (((11))) (12) of this section.

- (1) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor, involving physical harm or threats of harm to any person or property or the unlawful taking of property or involving the use or possession of cannabis, or involving the acquisition, possession, or consumption of alcohol by a person under the age of twenty-one years under RCW 66.44.270, or involving criminal trespass under RCW 9A.52.070 or 9A.52.080, shall have the authority to arrest the person.
- (2) A police officer shall arrest and take into custody, pending release on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that:
- (a) An order has been issued of which the person has knowledge under RCW 26.44.063, or chapter 7.92, 7.90, 9A.46, 10.99, 26.09, 26.10, 26.26, 26.50, or 74.34 RCW restraining the person and the person has violated the

terms of the order restraining the person from acts or threats of violence, or restraining the person from going onto the grounds of or entering a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location or, in the case of an order issued under RCW 26.44.063, imposing any other restrictions or conditions upon the person; or

- (b) A foreign protection order, as defined in RCW 26.52.010, has been issued of which the person under restraint has knowledge and the person under restraint has violated a provision of the foreign protection order prohibiting the person under restraint from contacting or communicating with another person, or excluding the person under restraint from a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, or a violation of any provision for which the foreign protection order specifically indicates that a violation will be a crime; or (c) The person is ((sixteen)) eighteen years or older and within the preceding four hours has assaulted a family or household member as defined in RCW 10.99.020 and the officer believes: (i) A felonious assault has occurred; (ii) an assault has occurred which has resulted in bodily injury to the victim, whether the injury is observable by the responding officer or not; or (iii) that any physical action has occurred which was intended to cause another person reasonably to fear imminent serious bodily injury or death. Bodily injury means physical pain, illness, or an impairment of physical condition. When the officer has probable cause to believe that family or household members have assaulted each other, the officer is not required to arrest both persons. The officer shall arrest the person whom the officer believes to be the primary physical aggressor. In making this determination, the officer shall make every reasonable effort to consider: (((i))) (A) The intent to protect victims of domestic violence under RCW 10.99.010; (((ii))) (B) the comparative extent of injuries inflicted or serious threats creating fear of physical injury; and (((iii))) (C) the history of domestic violence of each person involved, including whether the conduct was part of an ongoing pattern of abuse.
- (3) Any police officer shall arrest a person who is sixteen or seventeen years old and within the preceding four hours has assaulted a family or household member as defined in RCW 10.99.020 and that person's parent or guardian requests an arrest.
- (4) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a violation of any of the following traffic laws shall have the authority to arrest the person:
- (a) RCW 46.52.010, relating to duty on striking an unattended car or other property;
- (b) RCW 46.52.020, relating to duty in case of injury to or death of a person or damage to an attended vehicle;
- (c) RCW 46.61.500 or 46.61.530, relating to reckless driving or racing of vehicles;
- (d) RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, relating to persons under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs;

- (e) RCW 46.61.503 or 46.25.110, relating to persons having alcohol or THC in their system;
- (f) RCW 46.20.342, relating to driving a motor vehicle while operator's license is suspended or revoked;
- (g) RCW 46.61.5249, relating to operating a motor vehicle in a negligent manner.
- (((4))) (5) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vehicle accident may arrest the driver of a motor vehicle involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the driver has committed in connection with the accident a violation of any traffic law or regulation.
- (((5))) (6)(a) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vessel accident may arrest the operator of a motor vessel involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the operator has committed, in connection with the accident, a criminal violation of chapter 79A.60 RCW.
- (b) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vessel accident may issue a citation for an infraction to the operator of a motor vessel involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the operator has committed, in connection with the accident, a violation of any boating safety law of chapter 79A.60 RCW.
- (((6))) (7) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a violation of RCW 79A.60.040 shall have the authority to arrest the person.
- (((7))) (8) An officer may act upon the request of a law enforcement officer in whose presence a traffic infraction was committed, to stop, detain, arrest, or issue a notice of traffic infraction to the driver who is believed to have committed the infraction. The request by the witnessing officer shall give an officer the authority to take appropriate action under the laws of the state of Washington.
- (((8))) (9) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing any act of indecent exposure, as defined in RCW 9A.88.010, may arrest the person.
- (((9))) (10) A police officer may arrest and take into custody, pending release on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that an order has been issued of which the person has knowledge under chapter 10.14 RCW and the person has violated the terms of that order.
- (((10))) (11) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has, within twenty-four hours of the alleged violation, committed a violation of RCW 9A.50.020 may arrest such person.
- (((11))) (12) A police officer having probable cause to believe that a person illegally possesses or illegally has possessed a firearm or other dangerous weapon on private or public elementary or secondary school premises shall have the authority to arrest the person.

For purposes of this subsection, the term "firearm" has the meaning defined in RCW 9.41.010 and the term "dangerous weapon" has the meaning defined in RCW 9.41.250 and 9.41.280(1) (c) through (e).

(((12))) (13) A law enforcement officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed a violation under RCW 77.15.160(4) may issue a citation for an infraction to the person in connection with the violation. (((13))) (14) A law enforcement officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed a criminal violation under RCW 77.15.809 or 77.15.811 may arrest the person in connection with the violation.

(((14))) (15) Except as specifically provided in subsections (2), (((3))) (4), (((4))) (5), and (((7))) (8) of this section, nothing in this section extends or otherwise affects the powers of arrest prescribed in Title 46 RCW. (((15))) (16) No police officer may be held criminally or civilly liable for making an arrest pursuant to subsection (2) or (((9))) (10) of this section if the police officer acts in good faith and without malice.

(((16))) (17) A police officer shall arrest and keep in custody, until release by a judicial officer on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that the person has violated RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504 or an equivalent local ordinance and the police officer has knowledge that the person has a prior offense as defined in RCW 46.61.5055 within ten years." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Kagi, Chair; Senn, Vice Chair; Walsh, Ranking Minority Member; Dent, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Kilduff; Ortiz-Self; Sawyer and Walkinshaw.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative McCaslin.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representative Hawkins.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

#### ESSB 5635

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Enacting the uniform power of attorney act. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

#### "PART I

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 101.** This act may be known and cited as the uniform power of attorney act.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 102.** The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Agent" means a person granted authority to act for a principal under a power of attorney, whether denominated an agent, attorney-in-fact, or otherwise. The term includes an original agent, coagent, successor agent, and a person to which an agent's authority is delegated.

- (2) "Durable," with respect to a power of attorney, means not terminated by the principal's incapacity.
- (3) "Electronic" means relating to technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities.
- (4) "Good faith" means honesty in fact.
- (5) "Incapacity" means inability of an individual to manage property, business, personal, or health care affairs because the individual:
- (a) Has an impairment in the ability to receive and evaluate information or make or communicate decisions even with the use of technological assistance; or (b) Is:
- (i) An absentee, as defined in chapter 11.80 RCW; or
- (ii) Outside the United States and unable to return.
- (6) "Person" means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture, public corporation, government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or any other legal or commercial entity.
- (7) "Power of attorney" means a writing that uses the term "power of attorney" and grants authority to an agent to act in the place of the principal.
- (8) "Presently exercisable general power of appointment," with respect to property or a property interest subject to a power of appointment, means power exercisable at the time in question to vest absolute ownership in the principal individually, the principal's estate, the principal's creditors, or the creditors of the principal's estate. The term includes a power of appointment not exercisable until the occurrence of a specified event, the satisfaction of an ascertainable standard, or the passage of a specified period only after the occurrence of the specified event, the satisfaction of the ascertainable standard, or the passage of the specified period. The term does not include a power exercisable in a fiduciary capacity or only by will.
- (9) "Principal" means an individual who grants authority to an agent in a power of attorney.
- (10) "Property" means anything that may be the subject of ownership, whether real or personal, legal or equitable, tangible or intangible, or any interest or right therein.
- (11) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.
- (12) "Stocks, bonds, and financial instruments" means stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and all other types of securities and financial instruments, whether held directly, indirectly, or in any other manner. The term shall also include but not be limited to commodity futures contracts, call or put options on stocks or stock indexes, derivatives, and margin accounts.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 103.** (1) This chapter applies to all powers of attorney except:
- (a) A power to the extent it is coupled with an interest in the subject of the power, including a power given to or for the benefit of a creditor in connection with a credit transaction:
- (b) A proxy or other delegation to exercise voting rights or management rights with respect to an entity; and

- (c) A power created on a form prescribed by a government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality for a governmental purpose.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, section 117 of this act shall not apply to a power to make health care decisions under sections 217 and 218 of this act, nor shall it apply to the power to nominate a guardian for a minor child under section 218 of this act. NEW SECTION. Sec. 104. The authority conferred under a power of attorney created prior to the effective date of this section, and also for a power of attorney created on or after the effective date of this section, terminates upon the incapacity of the principal unless the writing contains the words "This power of attorney shall not be affected by disability of the principal," or "This power of attorney shall become effective upon the disability of the principal," or similar words showing the intent of the principal that the authority conferred shall be exercisable notwithstanding the principal's incapacity.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 105. (1) A power of attorney must be signed and dated by the principal, and the signature must be either acknowledged before a notary public or other individual authorized by law to take acknowledgments, or attested by two or more competent witnesses who are neither home care providers for the principal nor care providers at an adult family home or long-term care facility in which the principal resides, and who are unrelated to the principal or agent by blood, marriage, or state registered domestic partnership, by subscribing their names to the power of attorney, while in the presence of the principal and at the principal's direction or request.
- (2) A power of attorney shall be considered signed in accordance with this section if, in the case of a principal who is physically unable to sign his or her name, the principal makes a mark in accordance with RCW 11.12.030, or in the case of a principal who is physically unable to make a mark, the power of attorney is executed in accordance with RCW 64.08.100.
- (3) A signature on a power of attorney is presumed to be genuine if the principal acknowledges the signature before a notary public or other individual authorized by law to take acknowledgments.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 106.** (1) A power of attorney executed in this state on or after the effective date of this section is valid if its execution complies with section 105 of this act.
- (2) A power of attorney executed in this state before the effective date of this section is valid if its execution complied with the law of this state as it existed at the time of execution.
- (3) A power of attorney executed other than in this state is valid in this state if, when the power of attorney was executed, the execution complied with:
- (a) The law of the jurisdiction that determines the meaning and effect of the power of attorney pursuant to section 107 of this act; or
- (b) The requirements for a military power of attorney pursuant to 10 U.S.C. Sec. 1044b, as amended.
- (4) Except as otherwise provided by statute other than this act, a photocopy or electronically transmitted copy

of an original power of attorney has the same effect as the original.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 107.** The meaning and effect of a power of attorney is determined by the law of the jurisdiction indicated in the power of attorney and, in the absence of an indication of jurisdiction, by the law of the jurisdiction in which the power of attorney was executed.

- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 108.** (1) In a power of attorney, a principal may nominate a guardian of the principal's estate or guardian of the principal's person for consideration by the court if protective proceedings for the principal's estate or person are begun after the principal executes the power of attorney. Except for good cause shown or disqualification, the court shall make its appointment in accordance with the principal's most recent nomination.
- (2) If, after a principal executes a power of attorney, a court appoints a guardian of the principal's estate or other fiduciary charged with the management of all of the principal's property, the power of attorney is terminated and the agent's authority does not continue unless continued by the court.
- (3) If, after a principal executes a power of attorney, a court appoints a guardian of the principal's estate or other fiduciary charged with the management of some but not all of the principal's property, the power of attorney shall not terminate or be modified, except to the extent ordered by the court.
- <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **Sec. 109.** (1) A power of attorney is effective when executed unless the principal provides in the power of attorney that it becomes effective at a future date or upon the occurrence of a future event or contingency.
- (2) If a power of attorney becomes effective upon the occurrence of a future event or contingency, the principal, in the power of attorney, may authorize one or more persons to determine in a writing that the event or contingency has occurred.
- (3) If a power of attorney becomes effective upon the principal's incapacity and the principal has not authorized a person to determine whether the principal is incapacitated, or the person authorized is unable or unwilling to make the determination, the power of attorney becomes effective upon a determination in a writing by:
- (a) A physician or licensed psychologist, unrelated to the principal or agent by blood or marriage, who has personally examined the principal, that the principal is incapacitated within the meaning of section 102(5)(a) of this act; or
- (b) A judge or an appropriate governmental official that the principal is incapacitated within the meaning of section 102(5)(b) of this act.
- (4) A person authorized by the principal in the power of attorney to determine that the principal is incapacitated may act as the principal's personal representative pursuant to the health insurance portability and accountability act, sections 1171 through 1179 of the social security act, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1320d, as amended, and applicable regulations, to obtain access to the

principal's health care information and communicate with the principal's health care provider.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 110.** (1) A power of attorney terminates when:

- (a) The principal dies;
- (b) The principal becomes incapacitated, if the power of attorney is not durable:
- (c) The principal revokes the power of attorney;
- (d) The power of attorney provides that it terminates;
- (e) The purpose of the power of attorney is accomplished; or
- (f) The principal revokes the agent's authority or the agent dies, becomes incapacitated, or resigns, and the power of attorney does not provide for another agent to act under the power of attorney.
- (2) An agent's authority terminates when:
- (a) The principal revokes the authority;
- (b) The agent dies, becomes incapacitated, or resigns;
- (c) An action is filed for the dissolution or annulment of the agent's marriage to the principal or for their legal separation, or an action is filed for dissolution or annulment of the agent's state registered domestic partnership with the principal or for their legal separation, unless the power of attorney otherwise provides; or
- (d) The power of attorney terminates.
- (3) An agent's authority which has been terminated under subsection (2)(c) of this section shall be reinstated effective immediately in the event that such action is dismissed with the consent of both parties or the petition for dissolution, annulment, or legal separation is withdrawn.
- (4) Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, an agent's authority is exercisable until the authority terminates under subsection (2) of this section, notwithstanding a lapse of time since the execution of the power of attorney.
- (5) Termination of an agent's authority or of a power of attorney is not effective as to the agent or another person that, without actual knowledge of the termination, acts in good faith under the power of attorney. An act so performed, unless otherwise invalid or unenforceable, binds the principal and the principal's successors in interest.
- (6) Incapacity of the principal of a power of attorney that is not durable does not revoke or terminate the power of attorney as to an agent or other person that, without actual knowledge of the incapacity, acts in good faith under the power of attorney. An act so performed, unless otherwise invalid or unenforceable, binds the principal and the principal's successors in interest.
- (7) The execution of a power of attorney does not revoke a power of attorney previously executed by the principal unless the subsequent power of attorney provides that the previous power of attorney is revoked or that all other powers of attorney are revoked.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 111.** (1) A principal may designate in a power of attorney two or more persons to act as coagents. Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, all coagents must exercise their authority jointly; provided, however, a coagent may delegate that coagent's authority to another coagent.

- (2) A principal may designate one or more successor agents to act if an agent resigns, dies, becomes incapacitated, is not qualified to serve, or declines to serve. A principal may grant authority to designate one or more successor agents to an agent or other person designated by name, office, or function. Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, a successor agent: (a) Has the same authority as that granted to the original agent; and
- (b) May not act until all predecessor agents have resigned, died, become incapacitated, are no longer qualified to serve, or have declined to serve.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in the power of attorney and subsection (4) of this section, an agent that does not participate in or conceal a breach of fiduciary duty committed by another agent, including a predecessor agent, is not liable for the actions of the other agent.
- (4) An agent that has actual knowledge of a breach or imminent breach of fiduciary duty by another agent shall notify the principal and, if the principal is incapacitated, take any action reasonably appropriate in the circumstances to safeguard the principal's best interest. An agent that fails to notify the principal or take action as required by this subsection is liable for the reasonably foreseeable damages that could have been avoided if the agent had notified the principal or taken such action.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 112. Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, an agent is entitled to reimbursement of expenses reasonably incurred on behalf of the principal and to reasonable compensation.

  NEW SECTION. Sec. 113. Except as otherwise provided in the power of attorney, a person accepts appointment as an agent under a power of attorney by exercising authority or performing duties as an agent or by any other assertion or conduct indicating acceptance.

  NEW SECTION. Sec. 114. (1) Notwithstanding provisions in the power of attorney, an agent that has accepted appointment shall:
- (a) Act in accordance with the principal's reasonable expectations to the extent actually known by the agent and, otherwise, in the principal's best interest;
- (b) Act in good faith; and
- (c) Act only within the scope of authority granted in the power of attorney.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in the power of attorney, an agent that has accepted appointment shall:
- (a) Act loyally for the principal's benefit;
- (b) Act so as not to create a conflict of interest that impairs the agent's ability to act impartially in the principal's best interest;
- (c) Act with the care, competence, and diligence ordinarily exercised by agents in similar circumstances;
- (d) Keep a record of all receipts, disbursements, and transactions made on behalf of the principal;
- (e) Cooperate with a person that has authority to make health care decisions for the principal to carry out the principal's reasonable expectations to the extent actually known by the agent and, otherwise, act in the principal's best interest; and
- (f) Attempt to preserve the principal's estate plan, to the extent actually known by the agent, if preserving the

- plan is consistent with the principal's best interest based on all relevant factors, including:
- (i) The value and nature of the principal's property;
- (ii) The principal's foreseeable obligations and need for maintenance:
- (iii) Minimization of taxes, including income, estate, inheritance, generation-skipping transfer, and gift taxes; and
- (iv) Eligibility for a benefit, a program, or assistance under a statute or rule.
- (3) An agent that acts in good faith is not liable to any beneficiary of the principal's estate plan for failure to preserve the plan.
- (4) An agent that acts with care, competence, and diligence for the best interest of the principal is not liable solely because the agent also benefits from the act or has an individual or conflicting interest in relation to the property or affairs of the principal.
- (5) If an agent is selected by the principal because of special skills or expertise possessed by the agent or in reliance on the agent's representation that the agent has special skills or expertise, the special skills or expertise must be considered in determining whether the agent has acted with care, competence, and diligence under the circumstances.
- (6) Absent a breach of duty to the principal, an agent is not liable if the value of the principal's property declines.
- (7) An agent that engages another person on behalf of the principal is not liable for an act, error of judgment, or default of that person if the agent exercises care, competence, and diligence in selecting and monitoring the person, provided however that the agent shall not be relieved of liability for such person's discretionary acts, that, if done by the agent, would result in liability to the agent.
- (8) Unless section 111(1) of this act applies, an agent may only delegate authority to another person if expressly authorized to do so in the power of attorney and may delegate some, but not all, of the authority granted by the principal. An agent that exercises authority to delegate to another person the authority granted by the principal is not liable for an act, error of judgment, or default of that person if the agent exercises care, competence, and diligence in selecting and monitoring the person, provided however that the agent shall not be relieved of liability for such person's discretionary acts, that, if done by the agent, would result in liability to the agent.
- (9) Except as otherwise provided in the power of attorney, an agent is not required to disclose receipts, disbursements, or transactions conducted on behalf of the principal unless ordered by a court or requested in writing by the principal, a guardian, a conservator, another fiduciary acting for the principal, a governmental agency having authority to protect the welfare of the principal, or, upon the death of the principal, by the personal representative or successor in interest of the principal's estate. Such request by a guardian, conservator, or another fiduciary acting for the principal must be limited to information reasonably related to that guardian, conservator, or fiduciary's duties. If so requested, within thirty days the agent shall

comply with the request or provide a writing or other record substantiating why additional time is needed and shall comply with the request within an additional thirty days

- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 115.** A provision in a power of attorney relieving an agent of liability for breach of duty is binding on the principal and the principal's successors in interest except to the extent the provision:
- (1) Relieves the agent of liability for breach of duty committed dishonestly, with an improper motive, or with gross negligence to the purposes of the power of attorney or the best interest of the principal; or
- (2) Was inserted as a result of an abuse of a confidential or fiduciary relationship with the principal.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 116.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in the power of attorney, the following persons may bring a petition described in subsection (2) of this section:
- (a) The principal or the agent;
- (b) The spouse or state registered domestic partner of the principal;
- (c) The guardian of the estate or person of the principal;
- (d) Any other interested person, as long as the person demonstrates to the court's satisfaction that the person is interested in the welfare of the principal and has a good faith belief that the court's intervention is necessary, and that the principal is incapacitated at the time of filing the petition or otherwise unable to protect his or her own interests; and
- (e) A person asked to accept the power of attorney.
- (2) A person designated in subsection (1) of this section may file a petition requesting the court to construe a power of attorney or grant any other appropriate relief, including but not limited to:
- (a) Determination of whether the power of attorney is in effect or has terminated;
- (b) Compelling the agent to submit the agent's accounts or report the agent's acts as agent to the principal, the spouse or state registered domestic partner of the principal, the guardian of the person or the estate of the principal, or to any other person required by the court in its discretion, if the agent has not timely complied with a request under section 114(9) of this act. However, a government agency having authority to protect the welfare of the principal may file a petition upon the agent's refusal or failure to submit an accounting upon written request and shall not be required to wait sixty days;
- (c) Ratification of past acts or approval of proposed acts of the agent;
- (d) Issuance of an order directing the agent to exercise or refrain from exercising authority in a power of attorney in a particular manner or for a particular purpose;
- (e) Modification of the authority of an agent under a power of attorney;
- (f) Removal of the agent on a determination by the court of both of the following:
- (i) Determination that the agent has violated or is unfit to perform the fiduciary duties under the power of attorney; and

- (ii) Determination that the removal of the agent is in the best interest of the principal;
- (g) Approval of the resignation of the agent and approval of the final accountings of the resigning agent if submitted, subject to any orders the court determines are necessary to protect the principal's interests;
- (h) Confirmation of the authority of a successor agent to act under a power of attorney upon removal or resignation of the previous agent;
- (i) Compelling a third person to honor the authority of an agent, provided that a third person may not be compelled to honor the agent's authority if the principal could not compel the third person to act in the same circumstances;
- (j) Order the agent to furnish a bond in an amount the court determines to be appropriate.
- (3) Any action commenced under this section shall be subject to the notice requirements of chapter 11.96A RCW.
- (4) Upon motion by the principal, the court shall dismiss a petition filed under this section, unless the court finds that the principal lacks capacity to revoke the agent's authority or the power of attorney.
- (5) Except as otherwise provided in section 120(3)(b) of this act, any action commenced under this section shall be subject to the provisions of RCW 11.96A.150.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 117.** An agent that violates this chapter is liable to the principal or the principal's successors in interest for the amount required to restore the value of the principal's property to what it would have been had the violation not occurred.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 118.** Unless the power of attorney has been terminated in accordance with section 108 of this act, or the power of attorney provides a different method for an agent's resignation, an agent may resign by giving notice to the principal and, if the principal is incapacitated:
- (1) To the conservator or guardian, if one has been appointed for the principal, and a coagent or successor agent, if designated; or
- (2) If there is no person described in subsection (1) of this section:
- (a) To any person reasonably believed by the agent to have sufficient interest in the principal's welfare;
- (b) To a governmental agency having authority to protect the welfare of the principal; or
- (c) By filing notice with the county recorder's office in the county where the principal resides.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 119.** (1) For purposes of this section and section 120 of this act, "acknowledged" means purportedly verified before a notary public or other individual authorized to take acknowledgments.
- (2) A person that in good faith accepts an acknowledged power of attorney without actual knowledge that the signature is not genuine may rely upon the presumption under section 105 of this act that the signature is genuine.
- (3) A person that in good faith accepts an acknowledged power of attorney without actual knowledge that the power of attorney is void, invalid, or terminated, that the purported agent's authority is void, invalid, or terminated, or that the agent is exceeding or improperly exercising the agent's authority may rely upon the power

- of attorney as if the power of attorney were genuine, valid and still in effect, the agent's authority were genuine, valid and still in effect, and the agent had not exceeded and had properly exercised the authority.
- (4) A person that is asked to accept an acknowledged power of attorney may request, and rely upon, without further investigation:
- (a) An agent's certification given under penalty of perjury meeting the requirements of subsection (5) of this section; and
- (b) An English translation of the power of attorney if the power of attorney contains, in whole or in part, language other than English.
- (5) A certification presented pursuant to subsection (4) of this section or pursuant to section 120 of this act shall state that:
- (a) The person presenting himself or herself as the agent and signing the affidavit or declaration is the person so named in the power of attorney;
- (b) If the agent is named in the power of attorney as a successor agent, the circumstances or conditions stated in the power of attorney that would cause that person to become the acting agent have occurred;
- (c) To the best of the agent's knowledge, the principal is still alive;
- (d) To the best of the agent's knowledge, at the time the power of attorney was signed, the principal was competent to execute the document and was not under undue influence to sign the document;
- (e) All events necessary to making the power of attorney effective have occurred;
- (f) The agent does not have actual knowledge of the revocation, termination, limitation, or modification of the power of attorney or of the agent's authority;
- (g) The agent does not have actual knowledge of the existence of other circumstances that would limit, modify, revoke, or terminate the power of attorney or the agent's authority to take the proposed action;
- (h) If the agent was married to or in a state registered domestic partnership with the principal at the time of execution of the power of attorney, then at the time of signing the affidavit or declaration, the marriage or state registered domestic partnership of the principal and the agent has not been dissolved or declared invalid, and no action is pending for the dissolution of the marriage or domestic partnership or for legal separation; and
- (i) The agent is acting in good faith pursuant to the authority given under the power of attorney.
- (6) An English translation requested under this section must be provided at the principal's expense unless the request is made more than seven business days after the power of attorney is presented for acceptance.
- (7) For purposes of this section and section 120 of this act, a person that conducts activities through employees is without actual knowledge of a fact relating to a power of attorney, a principal, or an agent if the employee conducting the transaction involving the power of attorney is without actual knowledge of the fact.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 120.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) of this section:
- (a) A person shall either accept an acknowledged power of attorney or request a certification or a translation no

- later than seven business days after presentation of the power of attorney for acceptance;
- (b) If a person requests a certification or a translation, the person shall accept the power of attorney no later than five business days after receipt of the certification or translation; and
- (c) A person may not require an additional or different form of power of attorney for authority granted in the power of attorney presented.
- (2) A person is not required to accept an acknowledged power of attorney if:
- (a) The person is not otherwise required to engage in a transaction with the principal in the same circumstances;
- (b) Engaging in a transaction with the agent or the principal in the same circumstances would be inconsistent with federal law;
- (c) The person has actual knowledge of the termination of the agent's authority or of the power of attorney before exercise of the power;
- (d) A request for a certification or a translation is refused:
- (e) The person in good faith believes that the power is not valid or that the agent does not have the authority to perform the act requested, whether or not a certification or a translation has been requested or provided; or
- (f) The person makes, or has actual knowledge that another person has made, a report to the department of social and health services stating a good faith belief that the principal may be subject to physical or financial abuse, neglect, exploitation, or abandonment by the agent or a person acting for or with the agent.
- (3) A person that refuses in violation of this section to accept an acknowledged power of attorney is subject to:(a) A court order mandating acceptance of the power of attorney; and
- (b) Liability for reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in any action or proceeding that confirms the validity of the power of attorney or mandates acceptance of the power of attorney.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 121.** Unless displaced by a provision of this chapter, the principles of law and equity supplement this chapter.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 122.** This chapter does not supersede any other law applicable to financial institutions or other entities, and the other law controls if inconsistent with this chapter.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 123.** The remedies under this chapter are not exclusive and do not abrogate any right or remedy under the law of this state other than this chapter.

#### PART II

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 201. (1) An agent under a power of attorney may, subject to the requirements of section 114 of this act, and in particular section 114(2)(f) of this act, do the following on behalf of the principal or with the principal's property only if the power of attorney expressly grants the agent the authority and exercise of the authority is not otherwise prohibited by another agreement or instrument to which the authority or property is subject:
- (a) Create, amend, revoke, or terminate an inter vivos trust:

- (b) Make a gift;
- (c) Create or change rights of survivorship;
- (d) Create or change a beneficiary designation;
- (e) Delegate some but not all of the authority granted under the power of attorney, except as otherwise provided in section 111(1) of this act;
- (f) Waive the principal's right to be a beneficiary of a joint and survivor annuity, including a survivor benefit under a retirement plan;
- (g) Exercise fiduciary powers that the principal has authority to delegate;
- (h) Exercise any power of appointment in favor of anyone other than the principal;
- (i) Create, amend, or revoke a community property agreement;
- (j) Cause a trustee to make distributions of property held in trust under the same conditions that the principal could:
- (k) Make any other provisions for nonprobate transfer at death contained in nontestamentary instruments described in RCW 11.02.091;
- (1) Make health care decisions for the principal, or give informed consent to health care decisions on the principal's behalf.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1)(a) of this section, an agent may, even in the absence of a specific grant of authority, make transfers of property to any trust that benefits the principal alone and does not have dispositive provisions that are different from those that would have governed the property had it not been transferred into such trust.
- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1)(b) of this section, an agent may, even in the absence of a specific grant of authority, make any transfer of resources not prohibited under chapter 74.09 RCW when the transfer is for the purpose of qualifying the principal for medical assistance or the limited casualty program for the medically needy.
- (4) Notwithstanding a grant of authority to do an act described in subsection (1) of this section, unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, an agent that is not an ancestor, spouse, state registered domestic partner, or descendant of the principal, may not exercise authority under a power of attorney to create in the agent, or in an individual to whom the agent owes a legal obligation of support, an interest in the principal's property, whether by gift, right of survivorship, beneficiary designation, disclaimer, or otherwise.
- (5) Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, a grant of authority to make a gift is subject to section 216 of this act.
- (6) Subject to subsections (1) through (5) of this section, if the subjects over which authority is granted in a power of attorney are similar or overlap, the broadest authority controls.
- (7) Authority granted in a power of attorney is exercisable with respect to property that the principal has when the power of attorney is executed or acquires later, whether or not the property is located in this state and whether or not the authority is exercised or the power of attorney is executed in this state.

- (8) An act performed by an agent pursuant to a power of attorney has the same effect and inures to the benefit of and binds the principal and the principal's successors in interest as if the principal had performed the act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 202. (1) Subject to the provisions of section 201 of this act, if a power of attorney grants to an agent authority to do all acts that a principal could do or contains words of similar effect, the agent has the general authority described in sections 203 through 218 of this act.
- (2) An agent has authority described in this act if the power of attorney refers to general authority with respect to the descriptive term for the subjects stated in sections 204 through 218 of this act or cites the section in which the authority is described.
- (3) A reference in a power of attorney to general authority with respect to the descriptive term for a subject in sections 204 through 218 of this act or a citation to a section of sections 204 through 218 of this act incorporates the entire section as if it were set out in full in the power of attorney.
- (4) A principal may modify authority incorporated by reference.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 203. Except as otherwise provided in the power of attorney, by executing a power of attorney that incorporates by reference a subject described in sections 204 through 218 of this act or that grants to an agent authority to do all acts that a principal could do pursuant to section 202(1) of this act, a principal authorizes the agent, with respect to that subject, to:
- (1) Demand, receive, and obtain by litigation or otherwise, declaratory or injunctive relief, money, or another thing of value to which the principal is, may become, or claims to be entitled, and conserve, invest, disburse, or use anything so received or obtained for the purposes intended;
- (2) Contract in any manner with any person, on terms agreeable to the agent, to accomplish a purpose of a transaction and perform, rescind, cancel, terminate, reform, restate, release, or modify the contract or another contract made by or on behalf of the principal;
- (3) Execute, acknowledge, seal, deliver, file, or record any instrument or communication the agent considers desirable to accomplish a purpose of a transaction, including creating at any time a schedule listing some or all of the principal's property and attaching it to the power of attorney;
- (4) Initiate, participate in, submit to alternative dispute resolution, settle, oppose, or propose or accept a compromise with respect to a claim existing in favor of or against the principal or intervene in litigation relating to the claim;
- (5) Seek on the principal's behalf the assistance of a court or other governmental agency to carry out an act authorized in the power of attorney;
- (6) Engage, compensate, and discharge an attorney, accountant, investment manager, expert witness, or other advisor;
- (7) Prepare, execute, and file a record, report, or other document to safeguard or promote the principal's interest under a statute or regulation;

- (8) Communicate with any representative or employee of a government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, on behalf of the principal;
- (9) Access communications intended for, and communicate on behalf of the principal, whether by mail, electronic transmission, telephone, or other means; and
- (10) Do any lawful act with respect to the subject and all property related to the subject.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 204.** Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to real property authorizes the agent to:
- (1) Demand; buy; sublease; license; receive; accept as a gift or as security for an extension of credit; or otherwise acquire or reject an interest in real property or a right incident to real property;
- (2) Sell; exchange; convey with or without reservations, covenants, representations, or warranties; quitclaim; release; surrender; retain title for security; encumber; partition; consent to partitioning; subject to an easement or covenant, common interest regime; subdivide; apply for zoning or other governmental permits; plat or consent to platting; develop; grant an option concerning; lease; sublease; license; contribute to an entity in exchange for an interest in that entity; or, subject to section 201 of this act, otherwise grant or dispose of an interest in real property or a right incident to real property;
- (3) Pledge or mortgage an interest in real property or right incident to real property as security to borrow money or pay, renew, extend the time of payment of a debt of the principal or a debt guaranteed by the principal, or as security for a nonmonetary obligation;
- (4) Release, assign, satisfy, or enforce by litigation or otherwise a mortgage, deed of trust, conditional sale contract, encumbrance, lien, or other claim to real property which exists or is asserted;
- (5) Manage or conserve an interest in real property or a right incident to real property owned or claimed to be owned by the principal, including:
- (a) Insuring against liability or casualty or other loss;
- (b) Obtaining or regaining possession of or protecting the interest or right by litigation or otherwise;
- (c) Paying, assessing, compromising, or contesting taxes or assessments or applying for and receiving refunds in connection with them; and
- (d) Purchasing supplies, hiring assistance or labor, and making repairs or alterations to the real property;
- (6) Use, develop, alter, replace, remove, erect, or install structures or other improvements upon real property in or incident to which the principal has, or claims to have, an interest or right;
- (7) Participate in a reorganization with respect to real property or an entity that owns an interest in or right incident to real property and receive, and hold, and act with respect to stocks and bonds or other property received in a plan of reorganization, including:
- (a) Selling or otherwise disposing of them;
- (b) Exercising or selling an option, right of conversion, or similar right with respect to them; and
- (c) Exercising any voting rights in person or by proxy;

- (8) Change the form of title of an interest in or right incident to real property; and
- (9) Dedicate to public use, with or without consideration, easements or other real property in which the principal has, or claims to have, an interest.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 205.** Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to tangible personal property authorizes the agent to:
- (1) Demand, buy, receive, accept as a gift or as security for an extension of credit, or otherwise acquire or reject ownership or possession of tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property;
- (2) Sell; exchange; convey with or without covenants, representations, or warranties; quitclaim; release; surrender; create a security interest in; grant options concerning; lease; sublease; or, otherwise dispose of tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property;
- (3) Grant a security interest in tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property as security to borrow money or pay, renew, or extend the time of payment of a debt of the principal or a debt guaranteed by the principal;
- (4) Release, assign, satisfy, or enforce by litigation or otherwise, a security interest, lien, or other claim on behalf of the principal, with respect to tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property;
- (5) Manage or conserve tangible personal property or an interest in tangible personal property on behalf of the principal, including:
- (a) Insuring against liability or casualty or other loss;
- (b) Obtaining or regaining possession of or protecting the property or interest, by litigation or otherwise;
- (c) Paying, assessing, compromising, or contesting taxes or assessments or applying for and receiving refunds in connection with taxes or assessments;
- (d) Moving the property from place to place;
- (e) Storing the property for hire or on a gratuitous bailment; and
- (f) Using and making repairs, alterations, or improvements to the property; and
- (6) Change the form of title of an interest in tangible personal property.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 206.** Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to stocks, bonds, and financial instruments authorizes the agent to:
- (1) Buy, sell, and exchange stocks, bonds, and financial instruments:
- (2) Establish, continue, modify, or terminate an account with respect to stocks, bonds, and financial instruments;
- (3) Pledge stocks, bonds, and financial instruments as security to borrow, pay, renew, or extend the time of payment of a debt of the principal;
- (4) Receive certificates and other evidences of ownership with respect to stocks, bonds, and financial instruments;
- (5) Exercise voting rights with respect to stocks, bonds, and financial instruments in person or by proxy, enter

- into voting trusts, and consent to limitations on the right to vote:
- (6) Buy, sell, exchange, assign, settle, and exercise commodity futures contracts and call or put options on stocks or stock indexes traded on a regulated option exchange; and
- (7) Establish, continue, modify, and terminate option accounts.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 207.** Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and in chapter 30A.22 RCW, unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to banks and other financial institutions authorizes the agent to:
- (1) Continue, modify, and terminate an account or other banking arrangement made by or on behalf of the principal;
- (2) Establish, modify, and terminate an account or other banking arrangement with a bank, trust company, savings and loan association, credit union, thrift company, brokerage firm, or other financial institution selected by the agent;
- (3) Contract for services available from a financial institution, including renting a safe deposit box or space in a vault;
- (4) Withdraw, by check, order, electronic funds transfer, or otherwise, money or property of the principal deposited with or left in the custody of a financial institution;
- (5) Receive statements of account, vouchers, notices, and similar documents from a financial institution and act with respect to them;
- (6) Enter a safe deposit box or vault and withdraw or add to the contents;
- (7) Borrow money and pledge as security personal property of the principal necessary to borrow money or pay, renew, or extend the time of payment of a debt of the principal or a debt guaranteed by the principal;
- (8) Make, assign, draw, endorse, discount, guarantee, and negotiate promissory notes, checks, drafts, and other negotiable or nonnegotiable paper of the principal or payable to the principal or the principal's order, transfer money, receive the cash or other proceeds of those transactions, and accept a draft drawn by a person upon the principal and pay it when due;
- (9) Receive for the principal and act upon a sight draft, warehouse receipt, or other document of title whether tangible or electronic, or other negotiable or nonnegotiable instrument;
- (10) Apply for, receive, and use letters of credit, credit and debit cards, electronic transaction authorizations, and traveler's checks from a financial institution and give an indemnity or other agreement in connection with letters of credit; and
- (11) Consent to an extension of the time of payment with respect to commercial paper or a financial transaction with a financial institution.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 208.** Subject to the terms of a document or an agreement governing an entity or an entity ownership interest, and unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of

- attorney granting general authority with respect to operation of an entity or business authorizes the agent to:
- (1) Operate, buy, sell, enlarge, reduce, or terminate an ownership interest;
- (2) Perform a duty or discharge a liability and exercise in person or by proxy a right, power, privilege, or option that the principal has, may have, or claims to have;
- (3) Enforce the terms of an ownership agreement;
- (4) Initiate, participate in, submit to alternative dispute resolution, settle, oppose, or propose or accept a compromise with respect to litigation to which the principal is a party because of an ownership interest;
- (5) Exercise in person or by proxy, or enforce by litigation or otherwise, a right, power, privilege, or option the principal has or claims to have as the holder of stocks, bonds, and financial instruments;
- (6) Initiate, participate in, submit to alternative dispute resolution, settle, oppose, or propose or accept a compromise with respect to litigation to which the principal is a party concerning stocks, bonds, and financial instruments;
- (7) With respect to an entity or business owned solely by the principal:
- (a) Continue, modify, renegotiate, extend, and terminate a contract made by or on behalf of the principal with respect to the entity or business before execution of the power of attorney;
- (b) Determine:
- (i) The location of its operation;
- (ii) The nature and extent of its business;
- (iii) The methods of manufacturing, selling, merchandising, financing, accounting, and advertising employed in its operation;
- (iv) The amount and types of insurance carried; and
- (v) The mode of engaging, compensating, and dealing with its employees and accountants, attorneys, or other advisors:
- (c) Change the name or form of organization under which the entity or business is operated and enter into an ownership agreement with other persons to take over all or part of the operation of the entity or business; and
- (d) Demand and receive money due or claimed by the principal or on the principal's behalf in the operation of the entity or business and control and disburse the money in the operation of the entity or business;
- (8) Put additional capital into an entity or business in which the principal has an interest;
- (9) Join in a plan of reorganization, consolidation, conversion, domestication, or merger of the entity or business;
- (10) Sell or liquidate all or part of an entity or business;
- (11) Establish through agreement or independent appraisal the value of an entity or business to which the principal is a party;
- (12) Prepare, sign, file, and deliver reports, compilations of information, returns, or other papers with respect to an entity or business and make related payments; and
- (13) Pay, compromise, or contest taxes, assessments, fines, or penalties and perform any other act to protect the principal from illegal or unnecessary taxation, assessments, fines, or penalties, with respect to an entity or business, including attempts to recover, in any manner

permitted by law, money paid before or after the execution of the power of attorney.

- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 209.** Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to insurance and annuities authorizes the agent to:
- (1) Continue, pay the premium or make a contribution on, modify, exchange, sell, rescind, release, or terminate a contract procured by or on behalf of the principal which insures or provides an annuity to either the principal or another person, whether or not the principal is a beneficiary under the contract;
- (2) Procure new, different, and additional contracts of insurance and annuities for the benefit of the principal and the principal's spouse, state registered domestic partner, children, and other dependents, and select the amount, type of insurance or annuity, and mode of payment;
- (3) Pay the premium or make a contribution on, modify, exchange, rescind, release, or terminate a contract of insurance or annuity procured by the agent;
- (4) Apply for and receive a loan secured by a contract of insurance or annuity;
- (5) Surrender and receive the cash surrender value on a contract of insurance or annuity;
- (6) Exercise an election;
- (7) Exercise investment powers available under a contract of insurance or annuity;
- (8) Change the manner of paying premiums on a contract of insurance or annuity;
- (9) Change or convert the type of insurance or annuity with respect to which the principal has or claims to have authority described in this section;
- (10) Apply for and procure a benefit or assistance under a statute or regulation to guarantee or pay premiums of a contract of insurance on the life of the principal;
- (11) Collect, sell, assign, hypothecate, borrow against, or pledge the interest of the principal in a contract of insurance or annuity;
- (12) Select the form and timing of the payment of proceeds from a contract of insurance or annuity; and
- (13) Pay, from proceeds or otherwise, compromise or contest, and apply for refunds in connection with, a tax or assessment levied by a taxing authority with respect to a contract of insurance or annuity or its proceeds or liability accruing by reason of the tax or assessment.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 210.** (1) In this section, "estates, trusts, and other beneficial interests" means a trust, probate estate, guardianship, conservatorship, escrow, or custodianship or a fund from which the principal is, may become, or claims to be, entitled to a share or payment.
- (2) Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to estates, trusts, and other beneficial interests authorizes the agent to:
- (a) Accept, receive, receipt for, sell, assign, pledge, or exchange a share in or payment from the fund;
- (b) Demand or obtain money or another thing of value to which the principal is, may become, or claims to be, entitled by reason of the fund, by litigation or otherwise;

- (c) Exercise for the benefit of the principal a presently exercisable general power of appointment held by the principal:
- (d) Exercise for the benefit of the principal a presently exercisable limited power of appointment held by the principal;
- (e) Initiate, participate in, submit to alternative dispute resolution, settle, oppose, or propose or accept a compromise with respect to litigation to ascertain the meaning, validity, or effect of a deed, will, declaration of trust, or other instrument or transaction affecting the interest of the principal;
- (f) Initiate, participate in, submit to alternative dispute resolution, settle, oppose, or propose or accept a compromise with respect to litigation to remove, substitute, or surcharge a fiduciary, and any other matter as defined under RCW 11.96A.030;
- (g) Conserve, invest, disburse, or use anything received for an authorized purpose;
- (h) Transfer an interest of the principal in real property, stocks, bonds, and financial instruments, accounts with financial institutions or securities intermediaries, insurance, annuities, and other property to the trustee of a revocable trust created by the principal as settlor, subject to the limitations in section 201(1) of this section: and
- (i) Reject, renounce, disclaim, release, or consent to a reduction in or modification of a share in or payment from the fund.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 211.** Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to claims and litigation authorizes the agent, without the need for appointment of a guardian or guardian ad litem under Title 4 RCW, to:
- (1) Assert and maintain before a court or administrative agency a claim, claim for relief, cause of action, counterclaim, offset, recoupment, or defense, including an action to recover property or other thing of value, recover damages sustained by the principal, eliminate or modify tax liability, or seek an injunction, specific performance, or other relief;
- (2) Bring or defend an action to determine adverse claims or intervene or otherwise participate in litigation; (3) Seek an attachment, garnishment, order of arrest, or other preliminary, provisional, or intermediate relief and use an available procedure to effect or satisfy a judgment, order, or decree;
- (4) Make or accept a tender, offer of judgment, or admission of facts, submit a controversy on an agreed statement of facts, consent to examination, and bind the principal in litigation;
- (5) Submit to alternative dispute resolution, settle, and propose or accept a compromise, subject to special proceeding rule 98.16W;
- (6) Waive the issuance and service of process upon the principal, accept service of process, appear for the principal, designate persons upon which process directed to the principal may be served, execute, and file or deliver stipulations on the principal's behalf, verify pleadings, seek appellate review, procure and give surety and indemnity bonds, contract and pay for the

preparation and printing of records and briefs, receive, execute, and file or deliver a consent, waiver, release, confession of judgment, satisfaction of judgment, notice, agreement, or other instrument in connection with the prosecution, settlement, or defense of a claim or litigation;

- (7) Act for the principal with respect to bankruptcy or insolvency, whether voluntary or involuntary, concerning the principal or some other person, or with respect to a reorganization, receivership, or application for the appointment of a receiver or trustee which affects an interest of the principal in property or other thing of value:
- (8) Pay a judgment, award, or order against the principal or a settlement made in connection with a claim or litigation; and
- (9) Receive money or other thing of value paid in settlement of or as proceeds of a claim or litigation.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 212. (1) Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to personal and family maintenance authorizes the agent to: (a) Perform the acts necessary to maintain the customary standard of living of the principal, the principal's spouse or state registered domestic partner, and the following individuals, whether living when the power of attorney is executed or later born:
- (i) The principal's children;
- (ii) Other individuals legally entitled to be supported by the principal; and
- (iii) The individuals whom the principal has customarily supported or indicated the intent to support;
- (b) Make periodic payments of child support and other family maintenance required by a court or governmental agency or an agreement to which the principal is a party; (c) Provide living quarters for the individuals described in subsection (1) of this section by:
- (i) Purchase, lease, or other contract; or
- (ii) Paying the operating costs, including interest, amortization payments, repairs, improvements, and taxes, for premises owned by the principal or occupied by those individuals;
- (d) Provide reasonable domestic help, usual vacations and travel expenses, and funds for shelter, clothing, food, appropriate education, including postsecondary and vocational education, and other current living costs for the individuals described in subsection (1) of this section:
- (e) Pay expenses for necessary health care and custodial care on behalf of the individuals described in subsection (1) of this section;
- (f) Act as the principal's personal representative pursuant to the health insurance portability and accountability act, sections 1171 through 1179 of the social security act, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1320d, as amended, and applicable regulations, for the limited purpose of making decisions regarding the payment of costs and expenses arising from past, present, or future health care provided to the principal which was consented to by the principal or anyone authorized under the law of this state to consent to health care on behalf of the principal;

- (g) Continue any provision made by the principal for automobiles or other means of transportation, including registering, licensing, insuring, and replacing them, for the individuals described in subsection (1) of this section:
- (h) Maintain credit and debit accounts for the convenience of the individuals described in subsection (1) of this section and open new accounts; and
- (i) Continue payments incidental to the membership or affiliation of the principal in a religious institution, club, society, order, or other organization or to continue contributions to those organizations.
- (2) Authority with respect to personal and family maintenance is neither dependent upon, nor limited by, authority that an agent may or may not have with respect to gifts under this act.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 213.** (1) In this section, "benefits from governmental programs or civil or military service" means any benefit, program or assistance provided under a statute or regulation including social security, medicare, and medicaid.
- (2) Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to benefits from governmental programs or civil or military service authorizes the agent to:
- (a) Execute vouchers in the name of the principal for allowances and reimbursements payable by the United States or a foreign government or by a state or subdivision of a state to the principal, including allowances and reimbursements for transportation of the individuals described in section 212(1)(a) of this act, and for shipment of their household effects;
- (b) Take possession and order the removal and shipment of property of the principal from a post, warehouse, depot, dock, or other place of storage or safekeeping, either governmental or private, and execute and deliver a release, voucher, receipt, bill of lading, shipping ticket, certificate, or other instrument for that purpose;
- (c) Enroll in, apply for, select, reject, change, amend, or discontinue, on the principal's behalf, a benefit or program;
- (d) Prepare, file, and maintain a claim of the principal for a benefit or assistance, financial or otherwise, to which the principal may be entitled under a statute or regulation;
- (e) Initiate, participate in, submit to alternative dispute resolution, settle, oppose, or propose or accept a compromise with respect to litigation concerning any benefit or assistance the principal may be entitled to receive under a statute or regulation; and
- (f) Receive the financial proceeds of a claim described in (d) of this subsection and conserve, invest, disburse, or use for a lawful purpose anything so received.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 214.** (1) In this section, "retirement plan" means a plan or account created by an employer, the principal, or another individual to provide retirement benefits or deferred compensation of which the principal is a participant, beneficiary, or owner, including but not limited to a plan or account under the following sections of the internal revenue code:

- (a) An individual retirement account under internal revenue code section 408, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 408, as amended:
- (b) A roth individual retirement account under internal revenue code section 408A, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 408A, as amended;
- (c) A deemed individual retirement account under internal revenue code section 408(q), 26 U.S.C. Sec. 408(q), as amended;
- (d) An annuity or mutual fund custodial account under internal revenue code section 403(b), 26 U.S.C. Sec. 403(b), as amended;
- (e) A pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, or other retirement plan qualified under internal revenue code section 401(a), 26 U.S.C. Sec. 401(a), as amended;
- (f) A plan under internal revenue code section 457(b), 26 U.S.C. Sec. 457(b), as amended; and
- (g) A nonqualified deferred compensation plan under internal revenue code section 409A, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 409A, as amended.
- (2) Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to retirement plans authorizes the agent to:
- (a) Select the form and timing of payments under a retirement plan and withdraw benefits from a plan;
- (b) Make a rollover, including a direct trustee-to-trustee rollover, of benefits from one retirement plan to another;
- (c) Establish a retirement plan in the principal's name;
- (d) Make contributions to a retirement plan;
- (e) Exercise investment powers available under a retirement plan; and
- (f) Borrow from, sell assets to, or purchase assets from a retirement plan.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 215.** Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to taxes authorizes the agent to:
- (1) Prepare, sign, and file federal, state, local, and foreign income, gift, payroll, property, federal insurance contributions act, and other tax returns, claims for refunds, requests for extension of time, petitions regarding tax matters, and any other tax-related documents, including receipts, offers, waivers, consents, including consents and agreements under internal revenue code section 2032A, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 2032A, as amended, closing agreements, and any power of attorney required by the internal revenue service or other taxing authority including, but not limited to, an internal revenue service form 2848 in favor of any third party with respect to a tax year upon which the statute of limitations has not run and the following twenty-five tax years:
- (2) Pay taxes due, collect refunds, post bonds, receive confidential information, and contest deficiencies determined by the internal revenue service or other taxing authority;
- (3) Exercise any election available to the principal under federal, state, local, or foreign tax law; and
- (4) Act for the principal in all tax matters for all periods before the internal revenue service, or other taxing authority.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 216. (1) In this section, a gift "for the benefit of" a person includes but is not limited to a gift to a trust, an account under the uniform transfers to minors act of any jurisdiction, and a tuition savings account or prepaid tuition plan as defined under internal revenue code section 529, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 529, as amended. Notwithstanding the terms of section 201(1)(a) of this act, the power to make a gift pursuant to section 201(1)(b) of this act shall include the power to create a trust, an account under the uniform transfers to minors act, or a tuition savings account or prepaid tuition plan as defined under internal revenue code section 529, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 529, as amended, into which a gift is to be made.
- (2) Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, language in a power of attorney granting general authority with respect to gifts authorizes the agent only to:
- (a) Make outright to, or for the benefit of, a person, a gift of any of the principal's property, including by the exercise of a presently exercisable general power of appointment held by the principal, in an amount per donee not to exceed the annual dollar limits of the federal gift tax exclusion under internal revenue code section 2503(b), 26 U.S.C. Sec. 2503(b), as amended, without regard to whether the federal gift tax exclusion applies to the gift, or if the principal's spouse agrees to consent to a split gift pursuant to internal revenue code section 2513, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 2513, as amended, in an amount per donee not to exceed twice the annual federal gift tax exclusion limit; and
- (b) Consent, pursuant to internal revenue code section 2513, 26 U.S.C. Sec. 2513, as amended, to the splitting of a gift made by the principal's spouse in an amount per donee not to exceed the aggregate annual gift tax exclusions for both spouses.
- (3) An agent may make a gift outright to, or for the benefit of, a person of the principal's property only as the agent determines is consistent with the principal's objectives if actually known by the agent and, if unknown, as the agent determines is consistent with the principal's best interest based on all relevant factors, including but not limited to:
- (a) The value and nature of the principal's property;
- (b) The principal's foreseeable obligations and need for maintenance;
- (c) Minimization of taxes, including income, estate, inheritance, generation-skipping transfer, and gift taxes; (d) Eligibility for a benefit, a program, or assistance under a statute or rule; and
- (e) The principal's personal history of making or joining in making gifts.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 217.** Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, where language in a power of attorney grants general authority with respect to health care matters:
- (1) The agent shall be authorized to act as the principal's personal representative pursuant to the health insurance portability and accountability act, sections 1171 through 1179 of the social security act, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1320d, as amended, and applicable regulations for all purposes

thereunder, including but not limited to accessing and acquiring the principal's health care related information. (2) The agent shall be authorized to provide informed consent for health care decisions on the principal's behalf. If a principal has appointed more than one agent with authority to make mental health treatment decisions in accordance with a directive under chapter 71.32 RCW, to the extent of any conflict, the most recently appointed agent shall be treated as the principal's agent for mental health treatment decisions unless provided otherwise in either appointment.

(3) Unless he or she is the spouse, state registered domestic partner, father or mother, or adult child or brother or sister of the principal, none of the following persons may act as the agent for the principal: Any of the principal's physicians, the physicians' employees, or the owners, administrators, or employees of the health care facility or long-term care facility as defined in RCW 43.190.020 where the principal resides or receives care. Except when the principal has consented in a mental health advance directive executed under chapter 71.32 RCW to inpatient admission or electroconvulsive therapy, this authorization is subject to the same limitations as those that apply to a guardian under RCW 11.92.043(5) (a) through (c) and 11.92.190.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 218.** Unless the power of attorney otherwise provides, the following general provisions shall apply to any power of attorney making reference to the care of the principal's minor children:

- (1) A parent or guardian, through a power of attorney, may authorize an agent to make health care decisions on behalf of one or more of his or her children, or children for whom he or she is the legal guardian, who are under the age of majority as defined in RCW 26.28.015, to be effective if the child has no other parent or legal representative readily available and authorized to give such consent.
- (2) A principal may further nominate a guardian or guardians of the person, or of the estate or both, of a minor child, whether born at the time of making the durable power of attorney or afterwards, to continue during the disability of the principal, during the minority of the child or for any less time by including such a provision in his or her power of attorney.
- (3) The authority of any guardian of the person of any minor child shall supersede the authority of a designated agent to make health care decisions for the minor only after such designated guardian has been appointed by the court.
- (4) In the event a conflict between the provisions of a will nominating a testamentary guardian under the authority of RCW 11.88.080 and the nomination of a guardian under the authority of this statute, the most recent designation shall control.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 219.** Notwithstanding any provision in this act, or any provision in a power of attorney, no rights under Washington's death with dignity act, chapter 70.245 RCW, may be exercised through a power of attorney.

PART III

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 301.** The following optional form may be used by an agent to certify facts concerning a power of attorney.

## AGENT'S CERTIFICATION AS TO THE VALIDITY OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AND AGENT'S AUTHORITY

Sta	ite of						
[C	ounty] c	of ]					
Ι, _					(	Name of A	Agent),
[ce	rtify]	under	per	alty	of	perjury	that
(Name of Principal) granted me authority as an agent							
or	success	sor age	nt in	a pov	ver of	fattorney	dated

I further [certify] that to my knowledge:

- (1) I am acting in good faith pursuant to the authority given under the power of attorney;
- (2) The principal is alive and has not terminated, revoked, limited, or modified the power of attorney or my authority to act under the power of attorney; nor has the power of attorney or my authority to act under the power of attorney been terminated, revoked, limited, or modified by any other circumstances;
- (3) When the power of attorney was signed, the principal was competent to execute it and was not under undue influence to sign;
- (4) All events necessary to making the power of attorney effective have occurred;
- (5) If I was married or a registered domestic partner of the principal when the power of attorney was executed, there has been no subsequent dissolution, annulment, or legal separation, and no action is pending for the dissolution of the marriage or domestic partnership or for legal separation;
- (6) If the power of attorney was drafted to become effective upon the happening of an event or contingency, the event or contingency has occurred;
- (7) If I was named as a successor agent, the prior agent is no longer able or willing to serve, or the conditions stated in the power of attorney that cause me to become the acting agent have occurred; and

(Insert other relevant statements)

#### SIGNATURE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Agent's Signature Date

Agent's Name Printed

Agent's Address

Agent's Telephone Number

This document was acknowledged before me on (Date)

by

(Name of Agent)

(Seal, if any)

Signature of Notary

My commission expires: [This document prepared by:

#### PART IV

**Sec. 401.** RCW 11.88.080 and 2005 c 97 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

When either parent is deceased, the surviving parent of any minor child or a sole parent of a minor child, may by last will or durable power of attorney nominate a guardian or guardians of the person, or of the estate or both, of a minor child, whether born at the time of executing the instrument or afterwards, to continue during the minority of such child or for any less time. This nomination shall be effective in the event of the death or incapacity of such parent. Every guardian of the estate of a child shall give bond in like manner and with like conditions as required by RCW 11.88.100 and 11.88.110, and he or she shall have the same powers and perform the same duties with regard to the person and estate of the minor as a guardian appointed under this chapter. The court shall confirm the parent's nomination unless the court finds, based upon evidence presented at a hearing on the matter, that the individual nominated in the surviving parent's will or durable power of attorney is not qualified to serve. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of a will nominating a testamentary guardian under the authority of this section and the nomination of a guardian under section 218 of this act, the most recent designation shall control. This section applies to actions commenced under section 116 of this act.

- **Sec. 402.** RCW 11.86.021 and 1989 c 34 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A beneficiary may disclaim an interest in whole or in part, or with reference to specific parts, shares or assets, in the manner provided in RCW 11.86.031.
- (2) Likewise, a beneficiary may so disclaim through an agent or attorney so authorized by written instrument.
- (3) A personal representative, guardian, attorney-in-fact if authorized under a durable power of attorney under chapter ((11.94)) 11.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act), or other legal representative of the estate of a minor, incompetent, or deceased beneficiary, may so disclaim on behalf of the beneficiary, with or without court order, if:
- (a) The legal representative deems the disclaimer to be in the best interests of those interested in the estate of the beneficiary and of those who take the disclaimed interest because of the disclaimer, and not detrimental to the best interests of the beneficiary; and
- (b) In the case of a guardian, no order has been issued under RCW 11.92.140 determining that the disclaimer is not in the best interests of the beneficiary.
- **Sec. 403.** RCW 11.88.010 and 2008 c 6 s 802 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The superior court of each county shall have power to appoint guardians for the persons and/or estates of incapacitated persons, and guardians for the estates of nonresidents of the state who have property in the county needing care and attention.
- (a) For purposes of this chapter, a person may be deemed incapacitated as to person when the superior court

- determines the individual has a significant risk of personal harm based upon a demonstrated inability to adequately provide for nutrition, health, housing, or physical safety.
- (b) For purposes of this chapter, a person may be deemed incapacitated as to the person's estate when the superior court determines the individual is at significant risk of financial harm based upon a demonstrated inability to adequately manage property or financial affairs.
- (c) A determination of incapacity is a legal not a medical decision, based upon a demonstration of management insufficiencies over time in the area of person or estate. Age, eccentricity, poverty, or medical diagnosis alone shall not be sufficient to justify a finding of incapacity. (d) A person may also be determined incapacitated if he or she is under the age of majority as defined in RCW 26.28.010.
- (e) For purposes of giving informed consent for health care pursuant to RCW 7.70.050 and 7.70.065, an "incompetent" person is any person who is (i) incompetent by reason of mental illness, developmental disability, senility, habitual drunkenness, excessive use of drugs, or other mental incapacity, of either managing his or her property or caring for himself or herself, or both, or (ii) incapacitated as defined in (a), (b), or (d) of this subsection.
- (f) For purposes of the terms "incompetent," "disabled," or "not legally competent," as those terms are used in the Revised Code of Washington to apply to persons incapacitated under this chapter, those terms shall be interpreted to mean "incapacitated" persons for purposes of this chapter.
- (2) The superior court for each county shall have power to appoint limited guardians for the persons and estates, or either thereof, of incapacitated persons, who by reason of their incapacity have need for protection and assistance, but who are capable of managing some of their personal and financial affairs. After considering all evidence presented as a result of such investigation, the court shall impose, by order, only such specific limitations and restrictions on an incapacitated person to be placed under a limited guardianship as the court finds necessary for such person's protection and assistance. A person shall not be presumed to be incapacitated nor shall a person lose any legal rights or suffer any legal disabilities as the result of being placed under a limited guardianship, except as to those rights and disabilities specifically set forth in the court order establishing such a limited guardianship. In addition, the court order shall state the period of time for which it shall be applicable.
- (3) Venue for petitions for guardianship or limited guardianship shall lie in the county wherein the alleged incapacitated person is domiciled, or if such person resides in a facility supported in whole or in part by local, state, or federal funding sources, in either the county where the facility is located, the county of domicile prior to residence in the supported facility, or the county where a parent or spouse or domestic partner of the alleged incapacitated person is domiciled.
- If the alleged incapacitated person's residency has changed within one year of the filing of the petition, any interested person may move for a change of venue for

any proceedings seeking the appointment of a guardian or a limited guardian under this chapter to the county of the alleged incapacitated person's last place of residence of one year or more. The motion shall be granted when it appears to the court that such venue would be in the best interests of the alleged incapacitated person and would promote more complete consideration of all relevant matters.

- (4) Under ((RCW 11.94.010)) section 108 of this act, a principal may nominate, by a durable power of attorney, the guardian or limited guardian of his or her estate or person for consideration by the court if guardianship proceedings for the principal's person or estate are thereafter commenced. The court shall make its appointment in accordance with the principal's most recent nomination in a durable power of attorney except for good cause or disqualification.
- (5) Imposition of a guardianship for an incapacitated person shall not result in the loss of the right to vote unless the court determines that the person is incompetent for purposes of rationally exercising the franchise in that the individual lacks the capacity to understand the nature and effect of voting such that she or he cannot make an individual choice. The court order establishing guardianship shall specify whether or not the individual retains voting rights. When a court determines that the person is incompetent for the purpose of rationally exercising the right to vote, the court shall notify the appropriate county auditor.
- **Sec. 404.** RCW 11.103.030 and 2013 c 272 s 24 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Unless the terms of a trust expressly provide that the trust is revocable, the trustor may not revoke or amend the trust.
- (2) If a revocable trust is created or funded by more than one trustor and unless the trust agreement provides otherwise:
- (a) To the extent the trust consists of community property, the trust may be revoked by either spouse or either domestic partner acting alone but may be amended only by joint action of both spouses or both domestic partners:
- (b) To the extent the trust consists of property other than community property, each trustor may revoke or amend the trust with regard to the portion of the trust property attributable to that trustor's contribution;
- (c) The character of community property or separate property is unaffected by its transfer to and from a revocable trust; and
- (d) Upon the revocation or amendment of the trust by fewer than all of the trustors, the trustee must promptly notify the other trustors of the revocation or amendment.
- (3) The trustor may revoke or amend a revocable trust:
- (a) By substantial compliance with a method provided in the terms of the trust; or
- (b)(i) If the terms of the trust do not provide a method or the method provided in the terms is not expressly made exclusive, by:
- (A) A later will or codicil that expressly refers to the trust or specifically devises property that would otherwise have passed according to the terms of the trust; or

- (B) A written instrument signed by the trustor evidencing intent to revoke or amend.
- (ii) The requirements of chapter 11.11 RCW do not apply to revocation or amendment of a revocable trust under (b)(i) of this subsection.
- (4) Upon revocation of a revocable trust, the trustee must deliver the trust property as the trustor directs.
- (5) A trustor's powers with respect to the revocation or amendment of a trust or distribution of the property of a trust((,)) may be exercised by the trustor's agent under a power of attorney only to the extent specified in the power of attorney document, as provided in ((RCW 11.94.050(1))) section 201 of this act and to the extent consistent with or expressly authorized by the trust agreement.
- (6) A guardian of the trustor may exercise a trustor's powers with respect to revocation, amendment, or distribution of trust property only with the approval of the court supervising the guardianship pursuant to RCW 11.92.140.
- (7) A trustee who does not know that a trust has been revoked or amended is not liable to the trustor or trustor's successors in interest for distributions made and other actions taken on the assumption that the trust had not been amended or revoked.
- (8) This section does not limit or affect operation of RCW 11.96A.220 through 11.96A.240.
- **Sec. 405.** RCW 30A.22.170 and 1981 c 192 s 17 are each amended to read as follows:

Any funds on deposit in an account may be paid by a financial institution to or upon the order of any agent of any depositor. The contract of deposit or other document creating such agency may provide, in accordance with chapter ((11.94)) 11.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act), that any such agent's powers to receive payments and make withdrawals from an account continues in spite of, or arises by virtue of, the incompetency of a depositor, in which event the agent's powers to make payments and withdrawals from an account on behalf of a depositor is not affected by the incompetency of a depositor. Except as provided in this section, the authority of an agent to receive payments or make withdrawals from an account terminates with the death or incompetency of the agent's principal: PROVIDED, That a financial institution is not liable for any payment or withdrawal made to or by an agent for a deceased or incompetent depositor unless the financial institution making the payment or permitting the withdrawal had actual knowledge of the incompetency or death at the time payment was made.

**Sec. 406.** RCW 70.122.130 and 2013 c 251 s 12 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The department of health shall establish and maintain a statewide health care declarations registry containing the health care declarations identified in subsection (2) of this section as submitted by residents of Washington. The department shall digitally reproduce and store health care declarations in the registry. The department may establish standards for individuals to submit digitally reproduced health care declarations directly to the registry, but is not required to review the health care declarations that it receives to ensure they comply with

- the particular statutory requirements applicable to the document. The department may contract with an organization that meets the standards identified in this section.
- (2)(a) An individual may submit any of the following health care declarations to the department of health to be digitally reproduced and stored in the registry:
- (i) A directive, as defined by this chapter;
- (ii) A durable power of attorney for health care, as authorized in chapter ((11.94)) 11.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act);
- (iii) A mental health advance directive, as defined by chapter 71.32 RCW; or
- (iv) A form adopted pursuant to the department of health's authority in RCW 43.70.480.
- (b) Failure to submit a health care declaration to the department of health does not affect the validity of the declaration.
- (c) Failure to notify the department of health of a valid revocation of a health care declaration does not affect the validity of the revocation.
- (d) The entry of a health care directive in the registry under this section does not:
- (i) Affect the validity of the document;
- (ii) Take the place of any requirements in law necessary to make the submitted document legal; or
- (iii) Create a presumption regarding the validity of the document.
- (3) The department of health shall prescribe a procedure for an individual to revoke a health care declaration contained in the registry.
- (4) The registry must:
- (a) Be maintained in a secure database that is accessible through a web site maintained by the department of health:
- (b) Send annual electronic messages to individuals that have submitted health care declarations to request that they review the registry materials to ensure that it is current;
- (c) Provide individuals who have submitted one or more health care declarations with access to their documents and the ability to revoke their documents at all times; and (d) Provide the personal representatives of individuals who have submitted one or more health care declarations to the registry, attending physicians, advanced registered nurse practitioners, health care providers licensed by a disciplining authority identified in RCW 18.130.040 who is acting under the direction of a physician or an advanced registered nurse practitioner, and health care facilities, as defined in this chapter or in chapter 71.32 RCW, access to the registry at all times.
- (5) In designing the registry and web site, the department of health shall ensure compliance with state and federal requirements related to patient confidentiality.
- (6) The department shall provide information to health care providers and health care facilities on the registry web site regarding the different federal and Washington state requirements to ascertain and document whether a patient has an advance directive.
- (7) The department of health may accept donations, grants, gifts, or other forms of voluntary contributions to support activities related to the creation and maintenance

- of the health care declarations registry and statewide public education campaigns related to the existence of the registry. All receipts from donations made under this section, and other contributions and appropriations specifically made for the purposes of creating and maintaining the registry established under this section and statewide public education campaigns related to the existence of the registry, shall be deposited into the general fund. These moneys in the general fund may be spent only after appropriation.
- (8) The department of health may adopt rules as necessary to implement chapter 108, Laws of 2006.
- (9) By December 1, 2008, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on health care the following information:
- (a) Number of participants in the registry;
- (b) Number of health care declarations submitted by type of declaration as defined in this section;
- (c) Number of health care declarations revoked and the method of revocation;
- (d) Number of providers and facilities, by type, that have been provided access to the registry;
- (e) Actual costs of operation of the registry.
- Sec. 407. RCW 71.32.020 and 2011 c 89 s 15 are each amended to read as follows:
- The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- (1) "Adult" means any individual who has attained the age of majority or is an emancipated minor.
- (2) "Agent" has the same meaning as an attorney-in-fact or agent as provided in chapter ((11.94)) 11.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act).
- (3) "Capacity" means that an adult has not been found to be incapacitated pursuant to this chapter or RCW 11.88.010(1)(e).
- (4) "Court" means a superior court under chapter 2.08 RCW
- (5) "Health care facility" means a hospital, as defined in RCW 70.41.020; an institution, as defined in RCW 71.12.455; a state hospital, as defined in RCW 72.23.010; a nursing home, as defined in RCW 18.51.010; or a clinic that is part of a community mental health service delivery system, as defined in RCW 71.24.025.
- (6) "Health care provider" means an osteopathic physician or osteopathic physician's assistant licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.57A RCW, a physician or physician's assistant licensed under chapter 18.71 or 18.71A RCW, or an advanced registered nurse practitioner licensed under RCW 18.79.050.
- (7) "Incapacitated" means an adult who: (a) Is unable to understand the nature, character, and anticipated results of proposed treatment or alternatives; understand the recognized serious possible risks, complications, and anticipated benefits in treatments and alternatives, including nontreatment; or communicate his or her understanding or treatment decisions; or (b) has been found to be incompetent pursuant to RCW 11.88.010(1)(e).
- (8) "Informed consent" means consent that is given after the person: (a) Is provided with a description of the nature, character, and anticipated results of proposed

treatments and alternatives, and the recognized serious possible risks, complications, and anticipated benefits in the treatments and alternatives, including nontreatment, in language that the person can reasonably be expected to understand; or (b) elects not to be given the information included in (a) of this subsection.

- (9) "Long-term care facility" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 43.190.020.
- (10) "Mental disorder" means any organic, mental, or emotional impairment which has substantial adverse effects on an individual's cognitive or volitional functions.
- (11) "Mental health advance directive" or "directive" means a written document in which the principal makes a declaration of instructions or preferences or appoints an agent to make decisions on behalf of the principal regarding the principal's mental health treatment, or both, and that is consistent with the provisions of this chapter.
- (12) "Mental health professional" means a psychiatrist, psychologist, psychiatric nurse, or social worker, and such other mental health professionals as may be defined by rules adopted by the secretary pursuant to the provisions of chapter 71.05 RCW.
- (13) "Principal" means an adult who has executed a mental health advance directive.
- (14) "Professional person" means a mental health professional and shall also mean a physician, registered nurse, and such others as may be defined by rules adopted by the secretary pursuant to the provisions of chapter 71.05 RCW.
- (15) "Social worker" means a person with a master's or further advanced degree from a social work educational program accredited and approved as provided in RCW 18.320.010.
- **Sec. 408.** RCW 71.32.050 and 2003 c 283 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) An adult with capacity may execute a mental health advance directive.
- (2) A directive executed in accordance with this chapter is presumed to be valid. The inability to honor one or more provisions of a directive does not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.
- (3) A directive may include any provision relating to mental health treatment or the care of the principal or the principal's personal affairs. Without limitation, a directive may include:
- (a) The principal's preferences and instructions for mental health treatment;
- (b) Consent to specific types of mental health treatment;
- (c) Refusal to consent to specific types of mental health treatment;
- (d) Consent to admission to and retention in a facility for mental health treatment for up to fourteen days;
- (e) Descriptions of situations that may cause the principal to experience a mental health crisis;
- (f) Suggested alternative responses that may supplement or be in lieu of direct mental health treatment, such as treatment approaches from other providers;
- (g) Appointment of an agent pursuant to chapter ((11.94)) 11.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act) to make mental health treatment

- decisions on the principal's behalf, including authorizing the agent to provide consent on the principal's behalf to voluntary admission to inpatient mental health treatment; and
- (h) The principal's nomination of a guardian or limited guardian as provided in ((RCW 11.94.010)) section 108 of this act for consideration by the court if guardianship proceedings are commenced.
- (4) A directive may be combined with or be independent of a nomination of a guardian or other durable power of attorney under chapter ((11.94)) 11.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act), so long as the processes for each are executed in accordance with its own statutes.

**Sec. 409.** RCW 71.32.060 and 2003 c 283 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) A directive shall:
- (a) Be in writing;
- (b) Contain language that clearly indicates that the principal intends to create a directive;
- (c) Be dated and signed by the principal or at the principal's direction in the principal's presence if the principal is unable to sign;
- (d) Designate whether the principal wishes to be able to revoke the directive during any period of incapacity or wishes to be unable to revoke the directive during any period of incapacity; and
- (e) Be witnessed in writing by at least two adults, each of whom shall declare that he or she personally knows the principal, was present when the principal dated and signed the directive, and that the principal did not appear to be incapacitated or acting under fraud, undue influence, or duress.
- (2) A directive that includes the appointment of an agent pursuant to a power of attorney under chapter ((11.94)) 11.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act) shall contain the words "This power of attorney shall not be affected by the incapacity of the principal," or "This power of attorney shall become effective upon the incapacity of the principal," or similar words showing the principal's intent that the authority conferred shall be exercisable notwithstanding the principal's incapacity.
- (3) A directive is valid upon execution, but all or part of the directive may take effect at a later time as designated by the principal in the directive.
- (4) A directive may:
- (a) Be revoked, in whole or in part, pursuant to the provisions of RCW 71.32.080; or
- (b) Expire under its own terms.
- **Sec. 410.** RCW 71.32.100 and 2003 c 283 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) If a directive authorizes the appointment of an agent, the provisions of chapter ((11.94))  $\underline{11.-}$  RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act) and RCW 7.70.065 shall apply unless otherwise stated in this chapter.
- (2) The principal who appoints an agent must notify the agent in writing of the appointment.
- (3) An agent must act in good faith.
- (4) An agent may make decisions on behalf of the principal. Unless the principal has revoked the directive,

- the decisions must be consistent with the instructions and preferences the principal has expressed in the directive, or if not expressed, as otherwise known to the agent. If the principal's instructions or preferences are not known, the agent shall make a decision he or she determines is in the best interest of the principal.
- (5) Except to the extent the right is limited by the appointment or any federal or state law, the agent has the same right as the principal to receive, review, and authorize the use and disclosure of the principal's health care information when the agent is acting on behalf of the principal and to the extent required for the agent to carry out his or her duties. This subsection shall be construed to be consistent with chapters 70.02, 70.24, 70.96A, 71.05, and 71.34 RCW, and with federal law regarding health care information.
- (6) Unless otherwise provided in the appointment and agreed to in writing by the agent, the agent is not, as a result of acting in the capacity of agent, personally liable for the cost of treatment provided to the principal.
- (7) An agent may resign or withdraw at any time by giving written notice to the principal. The agent must also give written notice to any health care provider, professional person, or health care facility providing treatment to the principal. The resignation or withdrawal is effective upon receipt unless otherwise specified in the resignation or withdrawal.
- (8) If the directive gives the agent authority to act while the principal has capacity, the decisions of the principal supersede those of the agent at any time the principal has capacity.
- (9) Unless otherwise provided in the durable power of attorney, the principal may revoke the agent's appointment as provided under other state law.
- **Sec. 411.** RCW 71.32.180 and 2003 c 283 s 18 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Where an incapacitated principal has executed more than one valid directive and has not revoked any of the directives:
- (a) The directive most recently created shall be treated as the principal's mental health treatment preferences and instructions as to any inconsistent or conflicting provisions, unless provided otherwise in either document.
- (b) Where a directive executed under this chapter is inconsistent with a directive executed under any other chapter, the most recently created directive controls as to the inconsistent provisions.
- (2) Where an incapacitated principal has appointed more than one agent under chapter ((11.94)) 11.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act) with authority to make mental health treatment decisions, ((RCW 11.94.010)) section 217 of this act controls.
- (3) The treatment provider shall inquire of a principal whether the principal is subject to any court orders that would affect the implementation of his or her directive. **Sec. 412.** RCW 71.32.200 and 2003 c 283 s 20 are each amended to read as follows:

Any person with reasonable cause to believe that a directive has been created or revoked under circumstances amounting to fraud, duress, or undue influence may petition the court for appointment of a

guardian for the person or to review the actions of the agent or person alleged to be involved in improper conduct under ((RCW 11.94.090)) section 116 of this act or RCW 74.34.110.

**Sec. 413.** RCW 71.32.260 and 2009 c 217 s 14 are each amended to read as follows:

The directive shall be in substantially the following form:

Mental Health Advance Directive

#### NOTICE TO PERSONS

## CREATING A MENTAL HEALTH ADVANCE DIRECTIVE

This is an important legal document. It creates an advance directive for mental health treatment. Before signing this document you should know these important facts:

(1) This document is called an advance directive and allows you to make decisions in advance about your mental health treatment, including medications, short-term admission to inpatient treatment and electroconvulsive therapy.

## YOU DO NOT HAVE TO FILL OUT OR SIGN THIS FORM.

## IF YOU DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM, IT WILL NOT TAKE EFFECT.

If you choose to complete and sign this document, you may still decide to leave some items blank.

- (2) You have the right to appoint a person as your agent to make treatment decisions for you. You must notify your agent that you have appointed him or her as an agent. The person you appoint has a duty to act consistently with your wishes made known by you. If your agent does not know what your wishes are, he or she has a duty to act in your best interest. Your agent has the right to withdraw from the appointment at any time.
- (3) The instructions you include with this advance directive and the authority you give your agent to act will only become effective under the conditions you select in this document. You may choose to limit this directive and your agent's authority to times when you are incapacitated or to times when you are exhibiting symptoms or behavior that you specify. You may also make this directive effective immediately. No matter when you choose to make this directive effective, your treatment providers must still seek your informed consent at all times that you have capacity to give informed consent.
- (4) You have the right to revoke this document in writing at any time you have capacity.

# YOU MAY NOT REVOKE THIS DIRECTIVE WHEN YOU HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE INCAPACITATED UNLESS YOU HAVE SPECIFICALLY STATED IN THIS DIRECTIVE

### YOU WANT IT TO BE REVOCABLE WHEN YOU ARE INCAPACITATED.

(5) This directive will stay in effect until you revoke it unless you specify an expiration date. If you specify an expiration date and you are incapacitated at the time it expires, it will remain in effect until you have capacity to make treatment decisions again unless you chose to

be able to revoke it while you are incapacitated and you revoke the directive.

- (6) You cannot use your advance directive to consent to civil commitment. The procedures that apply to your advance directive are different than those provided for in the Involuntary Treatment Act. Involuntary treatment is a different process.
- (7) If there is anything in this directive that you do not understand, you should ask a lawyer to explain it to
- (8) You should be aware that there are some circumstances where your provider may not have to follow your directive.
- (9) You should discuss any treatment decisions in your directive with your provider.
- (10) You may ask the court to rule on the validity of your directive.

#### PART I.

# STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CREATE A MENTAL HEALTH ADVANCE DIRECTIVE

I, ..... being a person with capacity, willfully and voluntarily execute this mental health advance directive so that my choices regarding my mental health care will be carried out in circumstances when I am unable to express my instructions and preferences regarding my mental health care. If a guardian is appointed by a court to make mental health decisions for me, I intend this document to take precedence over all other means of ascertaining my intent.

The fact that I may have left blanks in this directive does not affect its validity in any way. I intend that all completed sections be followed. If I have not expressed a choice, my agent should make the decision that he or she determines is in my best interest. I intend this directive to take precedence over any other directives I have previously executed, to the extent that they are inconsistent with this document, or unless I expressly state otherwise in either document.

I understand that I may revoke this directive in whole or in part if I am a person with capacity. I understand that I cannot revoke this directive if a court, two health care providers, or one mental health professional and one health care provider find that I am an incapacitated person, unless, when I executed this directive, I chose to be able to revoke this directive while incapacitated. I understand that, except as otherwise provided in law, revocation must be in writing. I understand that nothing in this directive, or in my refusal of treatment to which I consent in this directive, authorizes any health care provider, professional person, health care facility, or agent appointed in this directive to use or threaten to use abuse, neglect, financial exploitation, or abandonment to carry out my directive.

I understand that there are some circumstances where my provider may not have to follow my directive.

#### PART II.

# WHEN THIS DIRECTIVE IS EFFECTIVE

YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR YOUR DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.

- I intend that this directive become effective (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):
- ..... Immediately upon my signing of this directive. ..... If I become incapacitated.
- ...... When the following circumstances, symptoms, or behaviors occur:

#### PART III.

# DURATION OF THIS DIRECTIVE

YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR YOUR DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.

I want this directive to (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):

. . . . . Remain valid and in effect for an indefinite period of time.

. . . . . Automatically expire . . . . . years from the date it was created.

#### PART IV.

#### WHEN I MAY REVOKE THIS DIRECTIVE

YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR THIS DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.

I intend that I be able to revoke this directive (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):

. . . . . Only when I have capacity.

I understand that choosing this option means I may only revoke this directive if I have capacity. I further understand that if I choose this option and become incapacitated while this directive is in effect, I may receive treatment that I specify in this directive, even if I object at the time.

..... Even if I am incapacitated.

I understand that choosing this option means that I may revoke this directive even if I am incapacitated. I further understand that if I choose this option and revoke this directive while I am incapacitated I may not receive treatment that I specify in this directive, even if I want the treatment.

#### PART V

PREFERENCES AND INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT TREATMENT, FACILITIES, AND PHYSICIANS OR PSYCHIATRIC ADVANCED REGISTERED NURSE PRACTITIONERS

A. Preferences and Instructions About Physician(s) or Psychiatric Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner(s) to be Involved in My Treatment

I would like the physician(s) or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner(s) named below to be involved in my treatment decisions:

Dr. or PARNP...... Contact information:

Dr. or PARNP...... Contact information:

I do not wish to be treated by Dr. or PARNP

# **B.** Preferences and Instructions About Other Providers

I am receiving other treatment or care from providers who I feel have an impact on my mental health care. I

would like the following treatment provider(s) to be	
contacted when this directive is effective:	
Name Profession	
Contact information	
Name Profession	
C. Preferences and Instructions About Medications	
for Psychiatric Treatment (initial and complete all	
that apply)	
I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed)	
to consent, to the following	
medications:	
I do not consent, and I do not authorize my	
agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration	
of the following medications:	
I am willing to take the medications excluded	
above if my only reason for excluding them is the side	
effects which include	
and these side effects can be eliminated by dosage	
adjustment or other means	
I am willing to try any other medication the	
hospital doctor or psychiatric advanced registered	
nurse practitioner recommends	
I am willing to try any other medications my	
outpatient doctor or psychiatric advanced registered	
nurse practitioner recommends	
I do not want to try any other medications.	
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**Authority to Consent to Inpatient Treatment** 

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I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to voluntary admission to inpatient mental health treatment for . . . . . days (not to exceed 14 days) (Sign one): . . . . . If deemed appropriate by my agent (if appointed) and treating physician or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner

(Signature) or . . . . . Under the following circumstances (specify symptoms, behaviors, or circumstances that indicate the need for hospitalization)
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## (Signature)

. . . . . I do **not** consent, or authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to inpatient treatment

# (Signature)

## **Hospital Preferences and Instructions**

If hospitalization is required, I prefer the following hospitals:

I do not consent to be admitted to the following hospitals:

# E. Preferences and Instructions About Preemergency

I would like the interventions below to be tried before use of seclusion or restraint is considered (*initial all that apply*):

"Talk me down" one-on-one
More medication
Time out/privacy
Show of authority/force
Shift my attention to something else
Set firm limits on my behavior
Help me to discuss/vent feelings
Decrease stimulation
Offer to have neutral person settle dispute
Other, specify

# F. Preferences and Instructions About Seclusion, Restraint, and Emergency Medications

If it is determined that I am engaging in behavior that requires seclusion, physical restraint, and/or emergency use of medication, I prefer these interventions in the order I have chosen (choose "I" for first choice, "2" for second choice, and so on):

 	. Seclusion				
 	. Seclusion	and phys	sical res	traint (co	ombined)
 	. Medicatio	n by inje	ction		

..... Medication in pill or liquid form

In the event that my attending physician or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner decides to use medication in response to an emergency situation after due consideration of my preferences and instructions for emergency treatments stated above, I expect the choice of medication to reflect any preferences and instructions I have expressed in Part III C of this form. The preferences and instructions I express in this section regarding medication in emergency situations

do not constitute consent to use of the medication for nonemergency treatment.

## G. Preferences and Instructions About Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT or Shock Therapy)

My wishes regarding electroconvulsive therapy are (sign one):

. . . . . I do not consent, nor authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive therapy

#### (Signature)

..... I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive therapy

#### (Signature)

...... I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive therapy, but only under the following conditions:

#### (Signature)

## H. Preferences and Instructions About Who is Permitted to Visit

If I have been admitted to a mental health treatment facility, the following people are not permitted to visit me there:

Name:

Name:

Name:

I understand that persons not listed above may be permitted to visit me.

# I. Additional Instructions About My Mental Health Care

Other instructions about my mental health care:

In case of emergency, please contact:

Name: Address:

Work telephone: Home telephone:

Physician or Address:

Psychiatric Advanced Registered Nurse

Practitioner: Telephone:

The following may help me to avoid a hospitalization:

I generally react to being hospitalized as follows:

Staff of the hospital or crisis unit can help me by doing the following:

## J. Refusal of Treatment

I do not consent to any mental health treatment.

(Signature)

# PART VI.

DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY (APPOINTMENT OF MY AGENT)

(Fill out this part only if you wish to appoint an agent or nominate a guardian.)

I authorize an agent to make mental health treatment decisions on my behalf. The authority granted to my agent includes the right to consent, refuse consent, or withdraw consent to any mental health care, treatment, service, or procedure, consistent with any instructions and/or limitations I have set forth in this directive. I intend that those decisions should be made in accordance with my expressed wishes as set forth in this document. If I have not expressed a choice in this document and my agent does not otherwise know my wishes, I authorize my agent to make the decision that my agent determines is in my best interest. This agency shall not be affected by my incapacity. Unless I state otherwise in this durable power of attorney, I may revoke it unless prohibited by other state law.

## A. Designation of an Agent

I appoint the following person as my agent to make mental health treatment decisions for me as authorized in this document and request that this person be notified immediately when this directive becomes effective:

Name: Address:

Work telephone: Home telephone:

Relationship:

## **B.** Designation of Alternate Agent

If the person named above is unavailable, unable, or refuses to serve as my agent, or I revoke that person's authority to serve as my agent, I hereby appoint the following person as my alternate agent and request that this person be notified immediately when this directive becomes effective or when my original agent is no longer my agent:

Name: Address:

Work telephone: Home telephone:

Relationship:

# C. When My Spouse is My Agent (initial if desired)

..... If my spouse is my agent, that person shall remain my agent even if we become legally separated or our marriage is dissolved, unless there is a court order to the contrary or I have remarried.

# D. Limitations on My Agent's Authority

I do not grant my agent the authority to consent on my behalf to the following:

# **E.** Limitations on My Ability to Revoke this Durable Power of Attorney

I choose to limit my ability to revoke this durable power of attorney as follows:

## F. Preference as to Court-Appointed Guardian

In the event a court appoints a guardian who will make decisions regarding my mental health treatment, I **nominate** the following person **as my guardian**:

Name: Address:

Work telephone: Home telephone:

Relationship:

The appointment of a guardian of my estate or my person or any other decision maker shall not give the

guardian or decision maker the power to revoke, suspend, or terminate this directive or the powers of my agent, except as authorized by law.

(Signature required if nomination is made)

## PART VII. OTHER DOCUMENTS

(Initial all that apply)

I have executed the following documents that include the power to make decisions regarding health care services for myself:

..... Health care power of attorney (chapter ((11.94)) 11.— RCW (the new chapter created in section 505 of this act))

...... "Living will" (Health care directive; chapter 70.122 RCW)

. . . . . I have appointed more than one agent. I understand that the most recently appointed agent controls except as stated below:

## PART VIII.

# NOTIFICATION OF OTHERS AND CARE OF PERSONAL AFFAIRS

(Fill out this part only if you wish to provide nontreatment instructions.)

I understand the preferences and instructions in this part are <u>NOT</u> the responsibility of my treatment provider and that no treatment provider is required to act on them.

#### A. Who Should Be Notified

I desire my agent to notify the following individuals as soon as possible when this directive becomes effective:

Name: Address:

Day telephone: Evening telephone:

Name: Address:

Day telephone: Evening telephone: B. Preferences or Instructions About Personal

I have the following preferences or instructions about my personal affairs (e.g., care of dependents, pets, household) if I am admitted to a mental health treatment facility:

#### C. Additional Preferences and Instructions:

#### PART IX. SIGNATURE

By signing here, I indicate that I understand the purpose and effect of this document and that I am giving my informed consent to the treatments and/or admission to which I have consented or authorized my agent to consent in this directive. I intend that my consent in this directive be construed as being

consistent with the elements of informed consent under chapter 7.70 RCW.

Signature: Date:

Printed Name:

This directive was signed and declared by the "Principal," to be his or her directive, in our presence who, at his or her request, have signed our names below as witnesses. We declare that, at the time of the creation of this instrument, the Principal is personally known to us, and, according to our best knowledge and belief, has capacity at this time and does not appear to be acting under duress, undue influence, or fraud. We further declare that none of us is:

- (A) A person designated to make medical decisions on the principal's behalf;
- (B) A health care provider or professional person directly involved with the provision of care to the principal at the time the directive is executed;
- (C) An owner, operator, employee, or relative of an owner or operator of a health care facility or long-term care facility in which the principal is a patient or resident:
- (D) A person who is related by blood, marriage, or adoption to the person, or with whom the principal has a dating relationship as defined in RCW 26.50.010;
- (E) An incapacitated person;
- (F) A person who would benefit financially if the principal undergoes mental health treatment; or

(G) A minor.

Witness 1: Signature: Date:

Printed Name:

Telephone: Address: Witness 2: Signature: Date:

Printed Name:

Telephone: Address:

# PART X.

#### RECORD OF DIRECTIVE

I have given a copy of this directive to the following persons:

DO NOT FILL OUT PART XI UNLESS YOU INTEND TO REVOKE

THIS DIRECTIVE IN PART OR IN WHOLE

#### PART XI.

#### REVOCATION OF THIS DIRECTIVE

(Initial any that apply):

 $\dots$  I am revoking the following part(s) of this directive (specify):

. . . . . I am revoking all of this directive.

By signing here, I indicate that I understand the purpose and effect of my revocation and that no person is bound by any revoked provision(s). I intend this revocation to be interpreted as if I had never completed the revoked provision(s).

Signature: Date:

Printed Name:

# DO NOT SIGN THIS PART UNLESS YOU INTEND TO REVOKE THIS DIRECTIVE IN PART OR IN WHOLE PART V

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 501.** In applying and construing this uniform act, consideration must be given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with respect to its subject matter among the states that enact it.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 502.** This act modifies, limits, and supersedes the federal electronic signatures in global and national commerce act, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7001 et seq., but does not modify, limit, or supersede section 101(c) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7001(c), or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in section 103(b) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 7003(b).

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 503.** Except as otherwise provided in this act, on the effective date of this section: (1) This act applies to a power of attorney created before, on, or after the effective date of this section;

- (2) This act applies to a judicial proceeding concerning a power of attorney commenced on or after the effective date of this section;
- (3) This act applies to a judicial proceeding concerning a power of attorney commenced before the effective date of this section unless the court finds that application of a provision of this act would substantially interfere with the effective conduct of the judicial proceeding or prejudice the rights of a party, in which case that provision does not apply and the superseded law applies; and
- (4) An act done before the effective date of this section is not affected by this act.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. **Sec. 504.** The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:

(1)RCW 11.94.010 (Designation—Authority—Effect of acts done—Appointment of guardian, effect—Accounting—Reliance on instrument) and 2007 c 156 s 31, 2005 c 97 s 12, 2003 c 283 s 27, 1995 c 297 s 9, 1989 c 211 s 1, & 1985 c 30 s 25;

(2)RCW 11.94.020 (Effect of death, disability, or incompetence of principal—Acts without knowledge) and 1985 c 30 s 26;

(3)RCW 11.94.030 (Banking transactions) and 1985 c 30 s 27:

(4)RCW 11.94.040 (Liability for reliance on power of attorney document) and 2001 c 203 s 2 & 1985 c 30 s  $^{28}$ .

(5)RCW 11.94.043 (Durable power of attorney—Revocation or termination) and 1989 c 211 s 2;

(6)RCW 11.94.046 (Durable power of attorney—Validity) and 1989 c 211 s 3;

(7)RCW 11.94.050 (Attorney or agent granted principal's powers—Powers to be specifically provided for—Transfer of resources by principal's attorney or agent) and 2014 c 58 s 23, 2011 c 327 s 4, 2001 c 203 s 12, 1989 c 87 s 1, & 1985 c 30 s 29;

(8)RCW 11.94.060 (Conveyance or encumbrance of homestead) and 1985 c 30 s 30;

(9)RCW 11.94.070 (Limitations on powers to benefit attorneys-in-fact) and 1994 c 221 s 67;

- (10)RCW 11.94.080 (Termination of marriage or state registered domestic partnership) and 2007 c 156 s 14 & 2001 c 203 s 1;
- (11)RCW 11.94.090 (Court petition) and 2008 c 6 s 808 & 2001 c 203 s 3;
- (12)RCW 11.94.100 (Persons allowed to file court petition) and 2008 c 6 s 809 & 2001 c 203 s 4;
- (13)RCW 11.94.110 (Ruling on court petition) and 2001 c 203 s 5:
- (14)RCW 11.94.120 (Award of costs on court petition) and 2001 c 203 s 6;
- (15)RCW 11.94.130 (Applicability of dispute resolution provisions to court petition) and 2001 c 203 s 7;
- (16)RCW 11.94.140 (Notice of hearing on court petition) and 2008 c 6 s 810 & 2001 c 203 s 8;
- (17)RCW 11.94.150 (Mental health treatment decisions—Compensation of agent prohibited—Reimbursement of expenses allowed) and 2003 c 283 s 28:

(18)RCW 11.94.900 (Application of 1984 c 149 §§ 26-31 as of January 1, 1985) and 1985 c 30 s 140; and

(19)RCW 11.94.901 (Construction—Chapter applicable to state registered domestic partnerships—2009 c 521) and 2009 c 521 s 37.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 505.** Sections 101 through 301 and 501 through 503 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 11 RCW.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 506.** This act takes effect January 1, 2017." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 5728

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Concerning screening for HIV infection. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that the scientific community's understanding of the human immunodeficiency virus has changed significantly since the virus was first identified. With that change has come increased awareness of the value of incorporating HIV testing into routine health screenings. The legislature finds that the United States preventive services task force recommends that clinicians screen for HIV infection in adolescents and adults age fifteen to sixty-five years and for all pregnant women. The legislature also finds that since 2006, the United States centers for disease control has recommended one-time screening of adolescent and adult patients to identify persons who are

already HIV-positive, making HIV screening a regular part of the medical care provided by a primary care provider and on the same voluntary basis as other diagnostic and screening tests. In that same recommendation, the centers for disease control formally adopted its current recommendations for an opt-out model of HIV screening for all individuals ages thirteen to sixty-four and for all pregnant women. The legislature finds further that it is appropriate to update the state's HIV screening policy by adopting these recommendations.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 70.24 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Clinicians shall screen for HIV infection consistent with the United States preventive services task force recommendations for all patients age fifteen through sixty-five years and for all pregnant women. Screening is voluntary and may be undertaken only after the patient or the patient's authorized representative has been told that HIV screening is planned and that HIV screening will be performed unless the patient declines.
- (2) If a health care provider notifies a patient that an HIV screening will be performed unless the patient declines, and the patient or patient's authorized representative declines the HIV screening, the health care provider may not use the fact that the person declined an HIV screening as a basis for denying services or treatment, other than an HIV screening, to the person."

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; Jinkins; Moeller; Robinson; Rodne; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; DeBolt; Johnson and Short.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 5778

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Concerning ambulatory surgical facilities. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "Sec. 1. RCW 43.70.250 and 2013 c 77 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) It shall be the policy of the state of Washington that the cost of each professional, occupational, or business licensing program be fully borne by the members of that profession, occupation, or business.
- (2) The secretary shall from time to time establish the amount of all application fees, license fees, registration fees, examination fees, permit fees, renewal fees, and any other fee associated with licensing or regulation of professions, occupations, or businesses administered by

the department. In fixing said fees, the secretary shall set the fees for each program at a sufficient level to defray the costs of administering that program and the cost of regulating licensed volunteer medical workers in accordance with RCW 18.130.360, except as provided in RCW 18.79.202. In no case may the secretary increase a licensing fee for an ambulatory surgical facility licensed under chapter 70.230 RCW prior to July 1, 2018, nor may he or she commence the adoption of rules to increase a licensing fee prior to July 1, 2018.

- (3) All such fees shall be fixed by rule adopted by the secretary in accordance with the provisions of the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW.
- Sec. 2. RCW 70.230.020 and  $2007\ c$  273 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

The secretary shall:

- (1) Issue a license to any ambulatory surgical facility that:
- (a) Submits payment of the fee established in ((section 7, chapter 273, Laws of 2007)) RCW 43.70.110 and 43.70.250;
- (b) Submits a completed application that demonstrates the ability to comply with the standards established for operating and maintaining an ambulatory surgical facility in statute and rule. An ambulatory surgical facility shall be deemed to have met the standards if it submits proof of certification as a medicare ambulatory surgical facility or accreditation by an organization that the secretary has determined to have substantially equivalent standards to those of the department; and
- (c) Successfully completes the survey requirements established in RCW 70.230.100;
- (2) Develop an application form for applicants for a license to operate an ambulatory surgical facility;
- (3) Initiate investigations and enforcement actions for complaints or other information regarding failure to comply with this chapter or the standards and rules adopted under this chapter;
- (4) Conduct surveys of facilities, including reviews of medical records and documents required to be maintained under this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter;
- (5) By March 1, 2008, determine which accreditation organizations have substantially equivalent standards for purposes of deeming specific licensing requirements required in statute and rule as having met the state's standards; and
- (6) Adopt any rules necessary to implement this chapter. Sec. 3. RCW 70.230.050 and 2007 c 273 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) An applicant for a license to operate an ambulatory surgical facility must demonstrate the ability to comply with the standards established for operating and maintaining an ambulatory surgical facility in statute and rule, including:
- (a) Submitting a written application to the department providing all necessary information on a form provided by the department, including a list of surgical specialties offered;
- (b) Submitting building plans for review and approval by the department for new construction, alterations other than minor alterations, and additions to existing

facilities, prior to obtaining a license and occupying the building:

- (c) Demonstrating the ability to comply with this chapter and any rules adopted under this chapter;
- (d) Cooperating with the department during on-site surveys prior to obtaining an initial license or renewing an existing license;
- (e) Providing such proof as the department may require concerning the ownership and management of the ambulatory surgical facility, including information about the organization and governance of the facility and the identity of the applicant, officers, directors, partners, managing employees, or owners of ten percent or more of the applicant's assets;
- (f) Submitting proof of operation of a coordinated quality improvement program in accordance with RCW 70.230.080;
- (g) Submitting a copy of the facility safety and emergency training program established under RCW 70.230.060;
- (h) Paying any fees established by the secretary under ((section 7, chapter 273, Laws of 2007)) RCW 43.70.110 and 43.70.250; and
- (i) Providing any other information that the department may reasonably require.
- (2) A license is valid for three years, after which an ambulatory surgical facility must submit an application for renewal of license upon forms provided by the department and the renewal fee as established in ((section 7, chapter 273, Laws of 2007)) RCW 43.70.110 and 43.70.250. The applicant must demonstrate the ability to comply with the standards established for operating and maintaining an ambulatory surgical facility in statutes, standards, and rules. The applicant must submit the license renewal document no later than thirty days prior to the date of expiration of the license.
- (3) The applicant may demonstrate compliance with any of the requirements of subsection (1) of this section by providing satisfactory documentation to the secretary that it has met the standards of an accreditation organization or federal agency that the secretary has determined to have substantially equivalent standards as the statutes and rules of this state.
- Sec. 4. RCW 70.230.100 and 2007 c 273 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The department shall make or cause to be made a survey of all ambulatory surgical facilities according to the following frequency:
- (a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, an ambulatory surgical facility must be surveyed by the department no more than once every eighteen months.
- (b) An ambulatory surgical facility must be surveyed by the department no more than once every thirty-six months if the ambulatory surgical facility:
- (i) Has had, within eighteen months of a department survey, a survey in connection with its certification by the centers for medicare and medicaid services or accreditation by an accreditation organization approved by the department under RCW 70.230.020(5);
- (ii) Has maintained certification by the centers for medicare and medicaid services or accreditation by an accreditation organization approved by the department

- under RCW 70.230.020(5) since the survey in connection with its certification or accreditation pursuant to (b)(i) of this subsection; and
- (iii) As soon as practicable after a survey in connection with its certification or accreditation pursuant to (b)(i) of this subsection, provides the department with documentary evidence that the ambulatory surgical facility is certified or accredited and that the survey has occurred, including the date that the survey occurred.
- (2) Every survey of an ambulatory surgical facility may include an inspection of every part of the surgical facility. The department may make an examination of all phases of the ambulatory surgical facility operation necessary to determine compliance with all applicable statutes, rules, and regulations. In the event that the department is unable to make a survey or cause a survey to be made during the three years of the term of the license, the license of the ambulatory surgical facility shall remain in effect until the state conducts a survey or a substitute survey is performed if the ambulatory surgical facility is in compliance with all other licensing requirements.
- (((2) An ambulatory surgical facility shall be deemed to have met the survey standards of this section if it submits proof of certification as a medicare ambulatory surgical facility or accreditation by an organization that the secretary has determined to have substantially equivalent survey standards to those of the department. A survey performed pursuant to medicare certification or by an approved accrediting organization may substitute for a survey by the department if:
- (a) The ambulatory surgical facility has satisfactorily completed a survey by the department in the previous eighteen months; and
- (b) Within thirty days of learning the result of a survey, the ambulatory surgical facility provides the department with documentary evidence that the ambulatory surgical facility has been certified or accredited as a result of a survey and the date of the survey.))
- (3) Ambulatory surgical facilities shall make the written reports of surveys conducted pursuant to medicare certification procedures or by an approved accrediting organization available to department surveyors during any department surveys((,)) or upon request.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 48.39 RCW to read as follows:

If a payor that contracts with an ambulatory surgical facility licensed under chapter 70.230 RCW requires successful completion of a survey as part of the contract, the ambulatory surgical facility is deemed to have met survey requirements if it has successfully completed a survey performed pursuant to medicare certification or by an accrediting organization that has been determined by the secretary of the department of health to have substantially equivalent survey standards to those of the centers for medicare and medicaid services. The payor may not impose additional survey requirements on the ambulatory surgical facility.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 70.230 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The department shall report to the fiscal committees of the legislature by December 1, 2016, and December

- 1, 2017, if it anticipates that the amounts raised by ambulatory surgical facility licensing fees will not be sufficient to defray the costs of regulating ambulatory surgical facilities. The report shall identify the amount of state general fund money necessary to compensate for the insufficiency.
- (2) The department shall conduct a benchmark survey to compare Washington's system for licensing ambulatory surgical facilities with the ambulatory surgical facility licensing systems of other states with a similar number of licensed ambulatory surgical facilities. The survey must review the licensing standards, staffing levels, training of surveyors and inspectors, and expenditures of the selected states. The survey must examine the total cost of the other states' regulatory structures and analyze the reasons for any differences in cost. The survey must assess the extent to which total program costs in other states are supported through licensing fees compared with state general fund money or other resources. The findings of the survey must be submitted to the committees of the legislature with jurisdiction over health care issues by December 1, 2016. The findings must include recommendations for statutory, regulatory, and administrative changes to reduce ambulatory surgical facility licensing fees.

(3) This section expires July 1, 2018.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. RCW 70.230.180 (Ambulatory surgical facility account) and 2007 c 273 s 19 are each repealed."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Rodne; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

SB 5779

Prime Sponsor, Senator Parlette: Reducing penalties applied to regional support networks and behavioral health organizations. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Rodne; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

5ESSB 5857

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Addressing registration and regulation of pharmacy benefit managers. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "Sec. 1. RCW 19.340.030 and 2014 c 213 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) To conduct business in this state, a pharmacy benefit manager must register with the ((department of revenue's business licensing service)) office of the insurance commissioner and annually renew the registration.
- (2) To register under this section, a pharmacy benefit manager must:
- (a) Submit an application requiring the following information:
- (i) The identity of the pharmacy benefit manager;
- (ii) The name, business address, phone number, and contact person for the pharmacy benefit manager; and
- (iii) Where applicable, the federal tax employer identification number for the entity; and
- (b) Pay a registration fee ((of two hundred dollars)) established in rule by the commissioner. The registration fee must be set to allow the registration and oversight activities to be self-supporting.
- (3) To renew a registration under this section, a pharmacy benefit manager must pay a renewal fee ((of two hundred dollars)) established in rule by the commissioner. The renewal fee must be set to allow the renewal and oversight activities to be self-supporting.
- (4) All receipts from registrations and renewals collected by the ((department)) commissioner must be deposited into the ((business license account created in RCW 19.02.210)) insurance commissioner's regulatory account created in RCW 48.02.190.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 19.340 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The commissioner shall have enforcement authority over this chapter and shall have authority to render a binding decision in any dispute between a pharmacy benefit manager, or third-party administrator of prescription drug benefits, and a pharmacy arising out of an appeal regarding drug pricing and reimbursement.
- (2) Any person, corporation, third-party administrator of prescription drug benefits, pharmacy benefit manager, or business entity which violates any provision of this chapter shall be subject to a civil penalty in the amount of one thousand dollars for each act in violation of this chapter or, if the violation was knowing and willful, a civil penalty of five thousand dollars for each violation of this chapter.
- Sec. 3. RCW 19.340.010 and 2014 c 213 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Claim" means a request from a pharmacy or pharmacist to be reimbursed for the cost of filling or refilling a prescription for a drug or for providing a medical supply or service.
- (2) "Commissioner" means the insurance commissioner established in chapter 48.02 RCW.
- (3) "Insurer" has the same meaning as in RCW 48.01.050.

- (((3))) (4) "Pharmacist" has the same meaning as in RCW 18.64.011.
- (((4))) (5) "Pharmacy" has the same meaning as in RCW 18.64.011
- (((5))) (6)(a) "Pharmacy benefit manager" means a person that contracts with pharmacies on behalf of an insurer, a third-party payor, or the prescription drug purchasing consortium established under RCW 70.14.060 to:
- (i) Process claims for prescription drugs or medical supplies or provide retail network management for pharmacies or pharmacists;
- (ii) Pay pharmacies or pharmacists for prescription drugs or medical supplies; or
- (iii) Negotiate rebates with manufacturers for drugs paid for or procured as described in this subsection.
- (b) "Pharmacy benefit manager" does not include a health care service contractor as defined in RCW 48.44.010.
- (((6))) (7) "Third-party payor" means a person licensed under RCW 48.39.005.
- Sec. 4. RCW 19.340.100 and 2014 c 213 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) As used in this section:
- (a) "List" means the list of drugs for which ((maximum allowable costs have been established.
- (b) "Maximum allowable cost" means the maximum amount that a pharmacy benefit manager will reimburse a pharmacy for the cost of a drug.
- (c))) predetermined reimbursement costs have been established, such as a maximum allowable cost or maximum allowable cost list or any other benchmark prices utilized by the pharmacy benefit manager and must include the basis of the methodology and sources utilized to determine multisource generic drug reimbursement amounts.
- (b) "Multiple source drug" means a therapeutically equivalent drug that is available from at least two manufacturers.
- (c) "Multisource generic drug" means any covered outpatient prescription drug for which there is at least one other drug product that is rated as therapeutically equivalent under the food and drug administration's most recent publication of "Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations;" is pharmaceutically equivalent or bioequivalent, as determined by the food and drug administration; and is sold or marketed in the state during the period.
- (d) "Network pharmacy" means a retail drug outlet licensed as a pharmacy under RCW 18.64.043 that contracts with a pharmacy benefit manager.
- (e) "Therapeutically equivalent" has the same meaning as in RCW 69.41.110.
- (2) A pharmacy benefit manager:
- (a) May not place a drug on a list unless ((are is H:\DATA\2016
- JOURNAL\Journal2016\LegDay047\there are.doc)) there are at least two therapeutically equivalent multiple source drugs, or at least one generic drug available from only one manufacturer, generally available for purchase by network pharmacies from national or regional wholesalers:

- (b) Shall ensure that all drugs on a list are ((generally)) readily available for purchase by pharmacies in this state from national or regional wholesalers that serve pharmacies in Washington;
- (c) Shall ensure that all drugs on a list are not obsolete;
- (d) Shall make available to each network pharmacy at the beginning of the term of a contract, and upon renewal of a contract, the sources utilized to determine the ((maximum allowable cost pricing)) predetermined reimbursement costs for multisource generic drugs of the pharmacy benefit manager;
- (e) Shall make a list available to a network pharmacy upon request in a format that is readily accessible to and usable by the network pharmacy;
- (f) Shall update each list maintained by the pharmacy benefit manager every seven business days and make the updated lists, including all changes in the price of drugs, available to network pharmacies in a readily accessible and usable format;
- (g) Shall ensure that dispensing fees are not included in the calculation of ((maximum allowable cost)) the predetermined reimbursement costs for multisource generic drugs.
- (3) A pharmacy benefit manager must establish a process by which a network pharmacy may appeal its reimbursement for a drug subject to ((maximum allowable cost pricing)) predetermined reimbursement costs for multisource generic drugs. A network pharmacy may appeal a ((maximum allowable cost)) predetermined reimbursement cost for a multisource generic drug if the reimbursement for the drug is less than the net amount that the network pharmacy paid to the supplier of the drug. ((An appeal requested under this section must be completed within thirty calendar days of the pharmacy making the claim for which an appeal has been requested.)) An appeal requested under this section must be completed within thirty calendar days of the pharmacy submitting the appeal. If after thirty days the network pharmacy has not received the decision on the appeal from the pharmacy benefit manager, then the appeal is considered denied.
- The pharmacy benefit manager shall uphold the appeal if the pharmacy or pharmacist can demonstrate that it is unable to purchase a therapeutically equivalent interchangeable product from a supplier doing business in Washington at the pharmacy benefit manager's list price.
- (4) A pharmacy benefit manager must provide as part of the appeals process established under subsection (3) of this section:
- (a) A telephone number at which a network pharmacy may contact the pharmacy benefit manager and speak with an individual who is responsible for processing appeals; and
- (b) ((A final response to an appeal of a maximum allowable cost within seven business days; and
- (c))) If the appeal is denied, the reason for the denial and the national drug code of a drug that ((may be)) has been purchased by ((similarly situated)) other network pharmacies located in Washington at a price that is equal to or less than the ((maximum allowable cost))

- predetermined reimbursement cost for the multisource generic drug.
- (5)(a) If an appeal is upheld under this section, the pharmacy benefit manager shall make ((an)) a reasonable adjustment on a date no later than one day after the date of determination. ((The pharmacy benefit manager shall make the adjustment effective for all similarly situated pharmacies in this state that are within the network.))
- (b) If the request for an adjustment has come from a critical access pharmacy, as defined by the state health care authority by rule for purposes related to the prescription drug purchasing consortium established under RCW 70.14.060, the adjustment approved under (a) of this subsection shall apply only to critical access pharmacies.
- (6) If a network pharmacy appeal to the pharmacy benefit manager is denied, or if the network pharmacy is unsatisfied with the outcome of the appeal, the pharmacy or pharmacist may dispute the decision and request review by the commissioner within thirty calendar days of receiving the decision.
- (a) All relevant information from the parties may be presented to the commissioner, and the commissioner may enter an order directing the pharmacy benefit manager to make an adjustment to the disputed claim, deny the pharmacy appeal, or take other actions deemed fair and equitable. An appeal requested under this section must be completed within thirty calendar days of the request.
- (b) Upon resolution of the dispute, the commissioner shall provide a copy of the decision to both parties within seven calendar days.
- (7) This section does not apply to the state medical assistance program.
- (8) This section applies only to a retail licensed pharmacy with fewer than ten retail outlets, within the state of Washington, under its corporate umbrella.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 19.340 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) As used in this section:
- (a) "List" means the list of drugs for which maximum allowable costs have been established.
- (b) "Maximum allowable cost" means the maximum amount that a pharmacy benefit manager will reimburse a pharmacy for the cost of a drug.
- (c) "Multiple source drug" means a therapeutically equivalent drug that is available from at least two manufacturers.
- (d) "Network pharmacy" means a retail drug outlet licensed as a pharmacy under RCW 18.64.043 that contracts with a pharmacy benefit manager.
- (e) "Therapeutically equivalent" has the same meaning as in RCW 69.41.110.
- (2) A pharmacy benefit manager:
- (a) May not place a drug on a list unless there are at least two therapeutically equivalent multiple source drugs, or at least one generic drug available from only one manufacturer, generally available for purchase by network pharmacies from national or regional wholesalers:

- (b) Shall ensure that all drugs on a list are generally available for purchase by pharmacies in this state from national or regional wholesalers;
- (c) Shall ensure that all drugs on a list are not obsolete;
- (d) Shall make available to each network pharmacy at the beginning of the term of a contract, and upon renewal of a contract, the sources utilized to determine the maximum allowable cost pricing of the pharmacy benefit manager;
- (e) Shall make a list available to a network pharmacy upon request in a format that is readily accessible to and usable by the network pharmacy;
- (f) Shall update each list maintained by the pharmacy benefit manager every seven business days and make the updated lists, including all changes in the price of drugs, available to network pharmacies in a readily accessible and usable format;
- (g) Shall ensure that dispensing fees are not included in the calculation of maximum allowable cost.
- (3) A pharmacy benefit manager must establish a process by which a network pharmacy may appeal its reimbursement for a drug subject to maximum allowable cost pricing. A network pharmacy may appeal a maximum allowable cost if the reimbursement for the drug is less than the net amount that the network pharmacy paid to the supplier of the drug. An appeal requested under this section must be completed within thirty calendar days of the pharmacy making the claim for which an appeal has been requested.
- (4) A pharmacy benefit manager must provide as part of the appeals process established under subsection (3) of this section:
- (a) A telephone number at which a network pharmacy may contact the pharmacy benefit manager and speak with an individual who is responsible for processing appeals;
- (b) A final response to an appeal of a maximum allowable cost within seven business days; and
- (c) If the appeal is denied, the reason for the denial and the national drug code of a drug that may be purchased by similarly situated pharmacies at a price that is equal to or less than the maximum allowable cost.
- (5)(a) If an appeal is upheld under this section, the pharmacy benefit manager shall make an adjustment on a date no later than one day after the date of determination. The pharmacy benefit manager shall make the adjustment effective for all similarly situated pharmacies in this state that are within the network.
- (b) If the request for an adjustment has come from a critical access pharmacy, as defined by the state health care authority by rule for purposes related to the prescription drug purchasing consortium established under RCW 70.14.060, the adjustment approved under (a) of this subsection shall apply only to critical access pharmacies.
- (6) This section does not apply to the state medical assistance program.
- (7) This section applies only to a retail licensed pharmacy with ten or more retail outlets, within the state of Washington, under its corporate umbrella.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 48.02 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The commissioner shall accept registration of pharmacy benefit managers as established in RCW 19.340.030 and receipts shall be deposited in the insurance commissioner's regulatory account.
- (2) The commissioner shall have enforcement authority over chapter 19.340 RCW consistent with requirements established in section 2 of this act.
- (3) The commissioner may adopt rules to implement chapter 19.340 RCW and to establish registration and renewal fees that ensure the registration, renewal, and oversight activities are self-supporting.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. The insurance commissioner, in collaboration with the department of health, must review the potential to use the independent review organizations, established in RCW 48.43.535, as an alternative to the appeal process for pharmacy and pharmacy benefit manager disputes. By December 1, 2016, the agencies must submit recommendations for use of the independent review organizations including detailed suggestions for modifications to the process, and the possible transition of the process from the department of health, established in RCW 43.70.235, to the office of the insurance commissioner.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. Section 1 of this act takes effect January 1, 2017."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Rodne; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

February 24, 2016

SSB 5864

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Concerning sales and use tax for cities to offset municipal service costs to newly annexed areas. Reported by Committee on Finance

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Lytton, Chair; Robinson, Vice Chair; Nealey, Ranking Minority Member; Orcutt, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Frame; Manweller; Pollet; Reykdal; Ryu; Springer; Stokesbary and Wylie.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Vick and Wilcox.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representative Condotta.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SB 5894

Prime Sponsor, Senator Sheldon: Addressing unlawful activities on certain properties. Reported by Committee on Judiciary MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 507. A new section is added to chapter 9A.52 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Upon the receipt of a declaration signed under penalty of perjury and containing all of the required information and in the form prescribed in section 2 of this act, a peace officer shall have the authority to:
- (a) Remove the person or persons from the premises, with or without arresting the person or persons; and
- (b) Order the person or persons to remain off the premises or be subject to arrest for criminal trespass.
- (2) Neither the peace officer nor his or her law enforcement agency shall be held liable for actions or omissions made in good faith under this section. NEW SECTION. Sec. 508. A new section is added to chapter 9A.52 RCW to read as follows: The owner of premises, or his or her authorized agent, may initiate the investigation and request the removal of an unauthorized person or persons from the premises by providing to law enforcement a declaration containing all of the following required information and in substantially the following form:

# REQUEST TO REMOVE TRESPASSER(S) FORM

The undersigned owner, or authorized agent of the owner, of the premises located at ........ hereby represents and declares under the penalty of perjury that (initial each box):

- (1) [] The declarant is the owner of the premises or the authorized agent of the owner of the premises;
- (2) [ ] An unauthorized person or persons have entered and are remaining unlawfully on the premises;
- (3) [] The person or persons were not authorized to enter or remain;
- (4) [ ] The declarant has demanded that the unauthorized person or persons vacate the premises but they have not done so;
- (5) [] The premises were not abandoned at the time the unauthorized person or persons entered;
- (6) [] The premises were not open to members of the public at the time the unauthorized person or persons entered;
- (7) [] The declarant understands that a person or persons removed from the premises pursuant to section 1 of this act may bring a cause of action under section 3 of this act against the declarant for

any false statements made in this declaration, and that as a result of such action the declarant may be held liable for actual damages, costs, and reasonable attorneys' fees;

- (8) [] The declarant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless law enforcement for its actions or omissions made in good faith pursuant to this declaration; and
- (9) [ ] Additional Optional Explanatory Comments:

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<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 509.** A new section is added to chapter 4.24 RCW to read as follows:

All persons removed from premises pursuant to section 1 of this act on the basis of false statements made by a declarant pursuant to section 2 of this act shall have a cause of action to recover from the declarant for the full amount of damages caused thereby, together with costs and reasonable attorneys' fees."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

<u>ESB 6091</u> Prime Sponsor, Senator Dammeier: Changing the definition of slayer.

Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 11.84.010 and 2009 c 525 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Abuser" means any person who participates, either as a principal or an accessory before the fact, in the willful and unlawful financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult.
- (2) "Decedent" means:
- (a) Any person whose life is taken by a slayer; or
- (b) Any deceased person who, at any time during life in which he or she was a vulnerable adult, was the victim of financial exploitation by an abuser.
- (3) "Financial exploitation" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 74.34.020, as enacted or hereafter amended.
- (4) "Property" includes any real and personal property and any right or interest therein.
- (5) "Slayer" means any person who participates, either as a principal or an accessory before the fact, in the

willful and unlawful killing of any other person as determined under RCW 11.84.140.

(6) "Vulnerable adult" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 74.34.020.

Sec. 2. RCW 11.84.140 and 2009 c 525 s 14 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) A final judgment of conviction for the willful and unlawful killing of the decedent is conclusive for purposes of determining whether a person is a slayer under this section. A finding of not guilty by reason of insanity for the willful and unlawful killing of the decedent carries the same meaning as a judgment of conviction.
- (2) In the absence of a criminal conviction or a finding of not guilty by reason of insanity, a superior court finding by a preponderance of the evidence that a person participated in the willful and unlawful killing of the decedent is conclusive for purposes of determining whether a person is a slayer under this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act may be known and cited as Carol's law."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

ESB 6100

Prime Sponsor, Senator Chase: Establishing an economic gardening pilot program. Reported by Committee on Technology & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature finds that: (a) Washington's unemployment rate during the recent recession created economic and social hardships for the people of the state;
- (b) Local start-up companies and small businesses are likely, as they grow, to remain in their communities of origin, thereby creating local jobs and an economic multiplier effect with their payrolls and taxes while providing local economic stimuli, which increases the local tax base;
- (c) Statewide economic prosperity and job creation are advanced significantly by creating, promoting, and retaining local start-up companies and small businesses with high growth potential;
- (d) Entrepreneurs and small business owners of secondstage companies, which are those companies that are beyond the start-up stage but have not yet fully matured, with innovative products or services that satisfy market needs, have particular potential for expansion and job creation;

- (e) Such entrepreneurs and owners can benefit from specialized business assistance to refine core strategies and from access to in-depth market research, competitor analyses, geographic information systems, search engine optimization, and other strategic information, as well as from relationships with mentors and advisers;
- (f) The aspects of economic gardening that incorporate these principles have proven successful in improving the entrepreneurial process and promoting economically sustainable local businesses; and
- (g) It is important to the overall health and growth of the state's economy to promote favorable conditions for those expanding Washington businesses that demonstrate the ability to grow.
- (2) In recognition of the foregoing findings and principles, it is the intent of the legislature to create a Washington economic gardening pilot project in the department of commerce.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 43.31 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) There is hereby created within the department the economic gardening pilot project. The purpose of the pilot project is to stimulate Washington's economy and create good-paying, sustainable jobs by providing economic gardening strategic assistance services to second-stage companies in accordance with this section. (2) The department must oversee and direct all resources for the execution of the pilot project. The department must work with chambers of commerce, associate development organizations, and other economic development organizations to implement the pilot project. The pilot project includes developing the processes for qualifying and selecting second-stage companies, identifying training components for economic development organizations implementing the pilot project, engaging private contractors as necessary to obtain strategic assistance from nationally recognized industry experts, and providing economic gardening strategic assistance to companies participating in the pilot project.
- (3)(a) On or before January 1, 2017, the department must initiate a program to provide or obtain all necessary credentials for high-impact strategic assistance for the economic development organizations participating in the pilot project.
- (b) Economic development organizations participating in the pilot project must be certified in economic gardening by an entity with relevant expertise in providing strategic assistance to second-stage companies.
- (i) Prior to December 1, 2016, the department must issue a request for expression of interest in offering an economic gardening strategic assistance program. The department must compile a list of interested parties identified through the request for expression of interest process.
- (ii) By December 1, 2016, the department must provide the list to the legislature. The department must select from the list of interested parties the entity it deems best able to deliver the training and strategic assistance services to second-stage companies described in this

- section and achieve the deliverables identified in subsection (6) of this section.
- (c) The department or economic development organizations participating in the pilot project may, as necessary, contract with national specialists in the industries of the second-stage companies selected for the pilot program.
- (d) The department must use the existing infrastructure of economic development organizations in the state to promote the pilot project to second-stage companies and to those clients and referrals that show growth potential in jobs, sales, or export potential.
- (4)(a) On or before January 1, 2017, the department and participating economic development organizations must publish criteria for a second-stage company to be selected to participate in the pilot project. The criteria must include job growth potential, sustainability, export potential, and a workforce comprised of at least fifty percent Washington residents. Application criteria must also include requirements for data collection, as specified by the department, to show the impacts of services provided through the pilot project. The department and participating economic development organizations must utilize existing strategic infrastructure and consult with local and regional economic development partners, such as chambers of commerce, associate development organizations, and other local or regional economic development entities, to identify eligible second-stage companies.
- (b) In order to participate in the pilot project, a company selected for participation must pay a one-time fee of seven hundred fifty dollars, which moneys must be deposited into the economic gardening pilot project fund, created in subsection (5) of this section, for reinvestment in the pilot project.
- (c) On or before March 1, 2017, the department and participating economic development organizations must select a minimum of twenty companies to participate in the pilot project.
- (d) The department must oversee staff members certified pursuant to subsection (3)(b) of this section and private contractors selected pursuant to subsection (3)(c) of this section to deploy strategic assistance to all pilot project participants. The department and participating economic development organizations must acquire any tools necessary to provide the strategic assistance, including database licenses, permits, and economic gardening certification.
- (e) A participating company has twelve months from the date that the department and participating economic development organizations select the company to participate in the pilot project to use the strategic assistance and other economic gardening services offered pursuant to the pilot project.
- (5) There is hereby created in the state treasury the economic gardening pilot project fund, to be administered by the department. The fund consists of all fees received under subsection (4)(b) of this section and any moneys appropriated by the legislature for the purposes of this section. The legislature must make annual appropriations of the moneys in the fund to the department for administering the pilot project. Any

moneys in the fund not appropriated must remain in the fund and may not be transferred or revert to the general fund at the end of any fiscal year.

- (6) On or before November 1, 2017, and on or before November 1st each year thereafter through November 1, 2019, and in compliance with RCW 43.01.036 the department must submit a report to the economic development and workforce development committees of the legislature. The report must include, at a minimum:
- (a) The services offered through the pilot project's strategic assistance;
- (b) The department's expenditures on strategic assistance provided to pilot project participants;
- (c) The number and types of jobs created as a result of the pilot project;
- (d) The increased sales as a result of the pilot project; and
- (e) The value of goods or services sold outside the company's local area or state.
- (7) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- (a) "Department" means the department of commerce.
- (b) "Economic gardening" means an approach to economic growth and development that emphasizes nurturing and cultivating local small businesses by providing strategic assistance to second-stage companies.
- (c) "Key industry" means an industry critical to the Washington economy, as identified by the department.
- (d) "Pilot project" means the economic gardening pilot project created in this section.
- (e) "Second-stage company" means a privately held business that:
- (i) Employs full-time at least six persons but not more than ninety-nine persons;
- (ii) Has maintained its principal place of business and a majority of its employees in Washington for at least the previous two years;
- (iii) Claims at least five hundred thousand dollars but not more than fifty million dollars as annual gross revenue or working capital; and
- (iv) Has a product or service that is, or has the potential to be, sold outside the company's local area or state.
- (f) "Strategic assistance" or "economic gardening strategic assistance" means performing high-level database research and analysis or deploying staff members certified under subsection (4) of this section or possessing national expertise in the relevant industry to perform market research, develop core strategies, conduct business modeling, identify qualified sales leads, provide growth financing referrals, perform search engine optimization, utilize geographic information systems, advise on new media marketing, or assist with network analyses and innovation strategies.
- (8) The pilot project created in this section terminates July 1, 2019.
- (9) This section expires July 1, 2020." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Morris, Chair; Tarleton, Vice Chair; Smith, Ranking Minority Member; Fey; Hudgins; Rossetti and Wylie.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives DeBolt, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Magendanz and Young.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representative Nealey.

Passed to Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6117 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Concerning notice against trespass. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SB 6151 Prime Sponsor, Senator Litzow:
Concerning sexual assault protection
orders. Reported by Committee on
Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Goodman; Hansen; Kirby; Kuderer and Orwall.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Haler and Klippert.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representatives Muri and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SB 6156 Prime Sponsor, Senator Rivers:
Reauthorizing the medicaid fraud false claims act. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

SB 6162 Prime Sponsor, Senator Honeyford: Concerning the expiration date of the invasive species council and account. Reported by Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Blake, Chair; Walkinshaw, Vice Chair; Buys, Ranking Minority Member; Dent, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Chandler; Lytton; Orcutt; Pettigrew; Schmick; Stanford and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6165

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Concerning short-barreled rifles. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "Sec. 1. RCW 9.41.190 and 2014 c 201 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, it is unlawful for any person to:
- (a) Manufacture, own, buy, sell, loan, furnish, transport, or have in possession or under control, any machine gun, short-barreled shotgun, or short-barreled rifle; ((or))
- (b) Manufacture, own, buy, sell, loan, furnish, transport, or have in possession or under control, any part designed and intended solely and exclusively for use in a machine gun, short-barreled shotgun, or short-barreled rifle, or in converting a weapon into a machine gun, short-barreled shotgun, or short-barreled rifle; or ((to))
- (c) Assemble or repair any machine gun, short-barreled shotgun, or short-barreled rifle.
- (2) It is not unlawful for a person to ((possess, transport, acquire, or transfer a short-barreled rifle that is legally registered and possessed, transported, acquired, or transferred in accordance)) manufacture, own, buy, sell, loan, furnish, transport, assemble, or repair, or have in possession or under control, a short-barreled rifle, or any part designed or intended solely and exclusively for use in a short-barreled rifle or in converting a weapon into a short-barreled rifle, if the person is in compliance with applicable federal law.
- (3) Subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to:
- (a) Any peace officer in the discharge of official duty or traveling to or from official duty, or to any officer or member of the armed forces of the United States or the state of Washington in the discharge of official duty or traveling to or from official duty; or
- (b) A person, including an employee of such person if the employee has undergone fingerprinting and a background check, who or which is exempt from or licensed under federal law, and engaged in the production, manufacture, repair, or testing of machine guns, short-barreled shotguns, or short-barreled rifles:
- (i) To be used or purchased by the armed forces of the United States;
- (ii) To be used or purchased by federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agencies; or

- (iii) For exportation in compliance with all applicable federal laws and regulations.
- (4) It shall be an affirmative defense to a prosecution brought under this section that the machine gun or short-barreled shotgun was acquired prior to July 1, 1994, and is possessed in compliance with federal law.
- (5) Any person violating this section is guilty of a class C felony."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6179

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development: Concerning water banking. Reported by Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "Sec. 1. RCW 90.42.100 and 2009 c 283 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The department is ((hereby)) authorized to use the trust water rights program for water banking purposes statewide.
- (2) Water banking may be used for one or more of the following purposes:
- (a) To authorize the use of trust water rights to mitigate for water resource impacts, future water supply needs, or any beneficial use under chapter 90.03, 90.44, or 90.54 RCW, consistent with any terms and conditions established by the transferor, except that within the Yakima river basin return flows from water rights authorized in whole or in part for any purpose shall remain available as part of the Yakima basin's total water supply available and to satisfy existing rights for other downstream uses and users;
- (b) To document transfers of water rights to and from the trust water rights program; and
- (c) To provide a source of water rights the department can make available to third parties on a temporary or permanent basis for any beneficial use under chapter 90.03, 90.44, or 90.54 RCW.
- (3) The department shall not use water banking to:
- (a) Cause detriment or injury to existing rights;
- (b) Issue temporary water rights or portions thereof for new potable uses requiring an adequate and reliable water supply under RCW 19.27.097;
- (c) Administer federal project water rights, including federal storage rights; ((or))
- (d) Allow carryover of stored water in the Yakima basin from one water year to another water year if it would negatively impact the total water supply available; or

- (e) Provide for mitigation of water resource impacts unless an adequate and reliable water supply is available for the purpose of providing mitigation.
- (4) The department shall provide electronic notice and opportunity for comment to affected local governments and affected federally recognized tribal governments prior to initiating use of the trust water rights program for water banking purposes for the first time in each water resource inventory area.
- (5) Nothing in this section may be interpreted or administered in a manner that precludes the use of the department's existing authority to process trust water rights applications under this chapter or to process water right applications under chapter 90.03 or 90.44 RCW.
- (6) For purposes of this section and RCW 90.42.135, "total water supply available" shall be defined as provided in the 1945 consent decree between the United States and water users in the Yakima river basin, and consistent with later interpretation by state and federal courts.
- Sec. 2. RCW 90.42.130 and 2014 c 76 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:
- (((1))) The department shall seek input from agricultural organizations, federal agencies, tribal governments, local governments, watershed groups, conservation groups, and developers on water banking, including water banking procedures and identification of areas in Washington ((state)) where water banking could assist in providing water supplies for instream and out-of-stream uses.
- (((2) The department shall maintain information on its web site regarding water banking, including information on water banks and related programs in various areas of the state.))

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 90.42 RCW to read as follows:

- (1)(a) The department must maintain information on its web site regarding water banking, including information on water banks and related programs in various areas of the state.
- (b) The information maintained on the department's web site under this subsection must include a schedule or table for each water bank that shows:
- (i) The amount charged for mitigation, including any fees;
- (ii) If applicable, the priority date of the water rights made available for mitigation;
- (iii) The amount of water made available for mitigation; (iv) If applicable, any geographic areas in the state where the department may issue permits or other approvals to use the water rights associated with the water bank as mitigation:
- (v) The processes utilized by the water bank to obtain approval from the department, or any other applicable governmental agency, to use the water rights as mitigation for new water uses; and
- (vi) The nature of the ownership interest of the water right available to be conveyed to the landowner and whether the ownership interest will be recorded on the title.
- (2) The department must update the schedule or table required under this section on a quarterly basis, using

information provided to the department by the operator of each water bank. Any person operating a water bank in Washington must provide the information required under this section to the department upon request." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Blake, Chair; Walkinshaw, Vice Chair; Buys, Ranking Minority Member; Dent, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Chandler; Lytton; Orcutt; Pettigrew; Schmick; Stanford and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SB 6196

February 26, 2016
Prime Sponsor, Senator McCoy:
Modifying administrative processes for the
utilities and transportation commission in
managing deposits and cost
reimbursements of the energy facility site
evaluation council. Reported by
Committee on Technology & Economic
Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Morris, Chair; Tarleton, Vice Chair; Smith, Ranking Minority Member; DeBolt, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fey; Hudgins; Magendanz; Nealey; Rossetti; Wylie and Young.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SB 6205

Prime Sponsor, Senator Pedersen: Clarifying when a person is an acquiring person of a target corporation with more than one class of voting stock. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri and Orwall.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6210

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Creating the Washington achieving a better life experience program. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kagi, Chair; Senn, Vice Chair; Walsh, Ranking Minority Member; Dent, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Hawkins; Kilduff; McCaslin; Ortiz-Self; Sawyer and Walkinshaw.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

SB 6220

Prime Sponsor, Senator Brown: Promoting economic development by maximizing the use of federal economic development funding opportunities. Reported by Committee on Technology & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Morris, Chair; Tarleton, Vice Chair; Smith, Ranking Minority Member; DeBolt, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fey; Hudgins; Magendanz; Nealey; Rossetti; Wylie and Young.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6238

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Allowing the prescription of a schedule II controlled substance to treat a binge eating disorder. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 69.50.402 and 2013 c 19 s 107 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) It is unlawful for any person:
- (a) Who is subject to Article III to distribute or dispense a controlled substance in violation of RCW 69.50.308;
- (b) Who is a registrant, to manufacture a controlled substance not authorized by his or her registration, or to distribute or dispense a controlled substance not authorized by his or her registration to another registrant or other authorized person;
- (c) Who is a practitioner, to prescribe, order, dispense, administer, supply, or give to any person:
- (i) Any amphetamine, including its salts, optical isomers, and salts of optical isomers classified as a schedule II controlled substance by the commission pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW; or
- (ii) Any nonnarcotic stimulant classified as a schedule II controlled substance and designated as a nonnarcotic stimulant by the commission pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW:

except for the treatment of narcolepsy, or for the treatment of hyperkinesis, or for the treatment of drug-induced brain dysfunction, or for the treatment of epilepsy, or for the differential diagnostic psychiatric evaluation of depression, or for the treatment of depression shown to be refractory to other therapeutic modalities, or for the treatment of multiple sclerosis, or for the treatment of any other disease states or conditions for which the United States food and drug administration has approved an indication, or for the clinical investigation of the effects of such drugs or compounds, in which case an investigative protocol therefor shall have been submitted to and reviewed and approved by

the commission before the investigation has been begun: PROVIDED, That the commission, in consultation with the medical quality assurance commission and the osteopathic disciplinary board, may establish by rule, pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW, disease states or conditions in addition to those listed in this subsection for the treatment of which Schedule II nonnarcotic stimulants may be prescribed, ordered, dispensed, administered, supplied, or given to patients by practitioners: AND PROVIDED, FURTHER, That investigations by the commission of abuse of prescriptive authority by physicians, licensed pursuant to chapter 18.71 RCW, pursuant to subsection (1)(c) of this section shall be done in consultation with the medical quality assurance commission;

- (d) To refuse or fail to make, keep or furnish any record, notification, order form, statement, invoice, or information required under this chapter;
- (e) To refuse an entry into any premises for any inspection authorized by this chapter; or
- (f) Knowingly to keep or maintain any store, shop, warehouse, dwelling, building, vehicle, boat, aircraft, or other structure or place, which is resorted to by persons using controlled substances in violation of this chapter for the purpose of using these substances, or which is used for keeping or selling them in violation of this chapter.
- (2) Any person who violates this section is guilty of a class C felony and upon conviction may be imprisoned for not more than two years, fined not more than two thousand dollars, or both."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Rodne; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 25, 2016

2SSB 6243

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Regarding a training program for educators and parents concerning students' mental health. Reported by Committee on Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature finds that suicide is the second leading cause of death in Washington for youth ten to twenty-four years of age. The legislature acknowledges that most suicides are preventable and that early prevention within schools can help decrease the number of youth suicides. The legislature recognizes that schools can aid in the development of social and emotional foundations for students. The legislature intends to develop a training program for middle and high school staff and parents or

guardians focused on developing students' social and emotional skills to help prevent youth suicide.

(2) The legislature is committed to investing in preventative strategies in schools to increase student mental health and well-being in order to support the education of our state's children. The legislature recognizes that responsible decision making, self-management, healthy relationship skills, and self and social awareness are among the tools students need. The legislature acknowledges that these essential skills help improve school climate and reduce bullying, discipline issues, dropout rates, and the educational opportunity gap at the same time as they increase mental well-being, student engagement, and academic performance.

Sec. 2. RCW 28A.310.500 and 2013 c 197 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Each educational service district shall develop and maintain the capacity to offer training for educators and other school district staff on youth suicide screening and referral, and on recognition, initial screening, and response to emotional or behavioral distress in students, including but not limited to indicators of possible substance abuse, violence, and youth suicide. An educational service district may demonstrate capacity by employing staff with sufficient expertise to offer the training or by contracting with individuals or organizations to offer the training. Training may be offered on a fee-for-service basis, or at no cost to school districts or educators if funds are appropriated specifically for this purpose or made available through grants or other sources.

(2)(a) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, Forefront at the University of Washington shall convene a one-day in-person training of student support staff from the educational service districts to deepen the staff's capacity to assist schools in their districts in responding to concerns about suicide. Educational service districts shall send staff members to the one-day in-person training within existing resources. (b) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, after establishing these relationships with the educational service districts, Forefront at the University of Washington must continue to meet with the educational service districts via videoconference on a monthly basis to answer questions that arise for the educational service districts, and to assess the feasibility of collaborating with the educational service districts to develop a multiyear, statewide rollout of a comprehensive school suicide prevention model involving regional trainings, on-site coaching, and cohorts of participating schools in each educational service district.

- (c) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, Forefront at the University of Washington must work to develop public-private partnerships to support the rollout of a comprehensive school suicide prevention model across Washington's middle and high schools.
- (d) The comprehensive school suicide prevention model must consist of:
- (i) School-specific revisions to safe school plans required under RCW 28A.320.125, to include

- procedures for suicide prevention, intervention, assessment, referral, reentry, and intervention and recovery after a suicide attempt or death;
- (ii) Developing, within the school, capacity to train staff, teachers, parents, and students in how to recognize and support a student who may be struggling with behavioral health issues;
- (iii) Improved identification such as screening, and response systems such as family counseling, to support students who are at risk;
- (iv) Enhanced community-based linkages of support; and
- (v) School selection of appropriate curricula and programs to enhance student awareness of behavioral health issues to reduce stigma, and to promote resilience and coping skills.
- (e) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, and by December 15, 2017, Forefront at the University of Washington shall report to the appropriate committees of the legislature, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, with the outcomes of the educational service district trainings, any public-private partnership developments, and recommendations on ways to work with the educational service districts or others to implement suicide prevention.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall create and maintain an online social and emotional training module for educators, administrators, and other school district staff. The module must be available by September 1, 2017.
- (2) The training module must be based on the recommendations of the office of the superintendent of public instruction's 2016 report on comprehensive benchmarks for developmentally appropriate interpersonal and decision-making knowledge and skills of social and emotional learning.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall contract and partner with a state organization that educates about and advocates for access to social and emotional learning and skill development in Washington public schools, in order to build capacity, promote, and sustain a social and learning collaborative emotional to implementation of the recommendations of the office of the superintendent of public instruction's 2016 report on comprehensive benchmarks for developmentally interpersonal decision-making appropriate and knowledge and skills of social and emotional learning. The purpose of this partnership is to identify, test, and develop scalable, cost-effective, and evidence-based approaches for increasing social and emotional learning in elementary, middle, and high schools, and for improving student outcomes.
- (2) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the partner organization selected under subsection (1) of this section must establish relationships with educational service districts

to assess the feasibility of collaborating to develop a multiyear, statewide rollout of a comprehensive social and emotional learning model. The partner organization must also work to develop public-private partnerships to support the rollout of comprehensive social and emotional learning across Washington's elementary, middle, and high schools.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. (1) School districts and educational service districts must report the following data to the office of the superintendent of public instruction:

- (a) How many students are served by mental health services in each school, school district, or educational service district:
- (b) How many of these students are participating in medicaid programs;
- (c) How the mental health services are funded, including federal, state, and private sources;
- (d) Information on who provides the mental health services, including district employees and contractors; and
- (e) Any other available information related to student access and outcomes.
- (2) The office of the superintendent of public instruction must compile the data submitted under subsection (1) of this section into an inventory of the mental health service models available to students through schools, school districts, and educational service districts. By October 31, 2016, the office of the superintendent of public instruction must submit a report to the appropriate committees of the house of representatives and the senate, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036.
- (3) This section expires August 1, 2017." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Santos, Chair; Ortiz-Self, Vice Chair; Reykdal, Vice Chair; Magendanz, Ranking Minority Member; Muri, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Stambaugh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Caldier; Griffey; Hayes; Kilduff; Klippert; Kuderer; McCaslin; Orwall; Pollet; Rossetti and Springer.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representatives Hargrove and Harris.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

ESSB 6248

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications: Concerning risk mitigation plans to promote the transition of eligible coal units. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Regarding a pathway for a transition of eligible coal units. ) Reported by Committee on Technology & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Morris, Chair; Tarleton, Vice Chair;

Smith, Ranking Minority Member; DeBolt, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fey; Hudgins; Magendanz; Nealey; Rossetti; Wylie and Young.

Passed to Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6267

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Concerning notice to the licensee before a concealed pistol license expires. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 25, 2016

SSB 6273

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education: Concerning safe technology use and digital citizenship in public schools. Reported by Committee on Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature recognizes that as technology becomes more prevalent, students must learn how to safely, ethically, responsibly, and effectively use technology. The legislature intends to provide a process in which students, parents or guardians, teachers, teacher-librarians, other school employees, administrators, and community representatives will engage in an ongoing discussion on safe technology use, internet use, digital citizenship, and media literacy as part of implementing the state's basic education goal outlined in RCW 28A.150.210(3) and essential academic learning requirements for technology outlined in RCW 28A.655.075.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28A.650 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) For the purposes of this section, "digital citizenship" includes the norms of appropriate, responsible, and healthy behavior related to current technology use, including digital and media literacy, ethics, etiquette, and security. The term also includes the ability to access, analyze, evaluate, develop, produce, and interpret media, as well as internet safety and cyberbullying prevention and response.
- (2)(a) By December 1, 2016, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall develop best practices and recommendations for instruction in digital citizenship, internet safety, and media literacy, and report to the appropriate committees of the legislature, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, on strategies to implement the best practices and recommendations

statewide. The best practices and recommendations must be developed in consultation with an advisory committee as specified in (b) of this subsection. Best practices and recommendations must include instruction that provides guidance about thoughtful, safe, and strategic uses of online and other media resources, and education on how to apply critical thinking skills when consuming and producing information.

- (b) The office of the superintendent of public instruction must convene and consult with an advisory committee when developing best practices and recommendations for instruction in digital citizenship, internet safety, and media literacy. The advisory committee must include: Representatives from the Washington state school directors' association; experts in digital citizenship, internet safety, and media literacy; teacher-librarians as defined in RCW 28A.320.240; and other stakeholders, including parent associations, educators, and administrators. Recommendations produced by the committee may include, but are not limited to:
- (i) Revisions to the state learning standards for educational technology, required under RCW 28A.655.075;
- (ii) Revisions to the model policy and procedures on electronic resources and internet safety developed by the Washington state school directors' association;
- (iii) School district processes necessary to develop customized district policies and procedures on electronic resources and internet safety;
- (iv) Best practices, resources, and models for instruction in digital citizenship, internet safety, and media literacy; and
- (v) Strategies that will support school districts in local implementation of the best practices and recommendations developed by the office of the superintendent of public instruction under (a) of this subsection."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Santos, Chair; Ortiz-Self, Vice Chair; Reykdal, Vice Chair; Magendanz, Ranking Minority Member; Muri, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Stambaugh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Caldier; Griffey; Hargrove; Harris; Hayes; Kilduff; Klippert; Kuderer; McCaslin; Orwall; Pollet; Rossetti and Springer.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6295

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Clarifying the venue in which coroner's inquests are to be convened and payment of related costs. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Hansen; Kirby; Kuderer; Muri and Orwall.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Haler and Klippert.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representative Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6327

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Providing for hospital discharge planning with lay caregivers. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 70.41.020 and 2015 c 23 s 5 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following terms, whenever used in this chapter, shall be deemed to have the following meanings:

- (1) "Aftercare" means the assistance provided by a lay caregiver to a patient under this chapter after the patient's discharge from a hospital. The assistance may include, but is not limited to, assistance with activities of daily living, wound care, medication assistance, and the operation of medical equipment. "Aftercare" includes assistance only for conditions that were present at the time of the patient's discharge from the hospital. "Aftercare" does not include:
- (a) Assistance related to conditions for which the patient did not receive medical care, treatment, or observation in the hospital; or
- (b) Tasks the performance of which requires licensure as a health care provider.
- (2) "Department" means the Washington state department of health.
- (((2))) (3) "Discharge" means a patient's release from a hospital following the patient's admission to the hospital. (4) "Distant site" means the site at which a physician or other licensed provider, delivering a professional service, is physically located at the time the service is provided through telemedicine.
- (((3))) (5) "Emergency care to victims of sexual assault" means medical examinations, procedures, and services provided by a hospital emergency room to a victim of sexual assault following an alleged sexual assault.
- (((4))) (6) "Emergency contraception" means any health care treatment approved by the food and drug administration that prevents pregnancy, including but not limited to administering two increased doses of certain oral contraceptive pills within seventy-two hours of sexual contact.
- (((5))) (7) "Hospital" means any institution, place, building, or agency which provides accommodations, facilities and services over a continuous period of twenty-four hours or more, for observation, diagnosis, or care, of two or more individuals not related to the operator who are suffering from illness, injury, deformity, or abnormality, or from any other condition

for which obstetrical, medical, or surgical services would be appropriate for care or diagnosis. "Hospital" as used in this chapter does not include hotels, or similar places furnishing only food and lodging, or simply domiciliary care; nor does it include clinics, or physician's offices where patients are not regularly kept as bed patients for twenty-four hours or more; nor does it include nursing homes, as defined and which come within the scope of chapter 18.51 RCW; nor does it include birthing centers, which come within the scope of chapter 18.46 RCW; nor does it include psychiatric hospitals, which come within the scope of chapter 71.12 RCW; nor any other hospital, or institution specifically intended for use in the diagnosis and care of those suffering from mental illness, intellectual disability, convulsive disorders, or other abnormal mental condition. Furthermore, nothing in this chapter or the rules adopted pursuant thereto shall be construed as authorizing the supervision, regulation, or control of the remedial care or treatment of residents or patients in any hospital conducted for those who rely primarily upon treatment by prayer or spiritual means in accordance with the creed or tenets of any well recognized church or religious denominations.

- (((6))) (8) "Lay caregiver" means any individual designated as such by a patient under this chapter who provides aftercare assistance to a patient in the patient's residence. "Lay caregiver" does not include a long-term care worker as defined in RCW 74.39A.009.
- (9) "Originating site" means the physical location of a patient receiving health care services through telemedicine.
- (((7))) (10) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association, or joint stock association, and the legal successor thereof.
- (((8))) (11) "Secretary" means the secretary of health.
- (((9))) (12) "Sexual assault" has the same meaning as in RCW 70.125.030.
- (((10))) (13) "Telemedicine" means the delivery of health care services through the use of interactive audio and video technology, permitting real-time communication between the patient at the originating site and the provider, for the purpose of diagnosis, consultation, or treatment. "Telemedicine" does not include the use of audio-only telephone, facsimile, or email
- (((11))) (14) "Victim of sexual assault" means a person who alleges or is alleged to have been sexually assaulted and who presents as a patient.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 70.41 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) In addition to the requirements in RCW 70.41.320, hospital discharge policies must ensure that the discharge plan is appropriate for the patient's physical condition, emotional and social needs, and, if a lay caregiver is designated takes into consideration, to the extent possible, the lay caregiver's abilities as disclosed to the hospital.
- (2) As part of a patient's individualized treatment plan, discharge criteria must include, but not be limited to, the following components:
- (a) The details of the discharge plan;

- (b) Hospital staff assessment of the patient's ability for self-care after discharge;
- (c) An opportunity for the patient to designate a lay caregiver;
- (d) Documentation of any designated lay caregiver's contact information:
- (e) A description of aftercare tasks necessary to promote the patient's ability to stay at home;
- (f) An opportunity for the patient and, if designated, the patient's lay caregiver to participate in the discharge planning;
- (g) Instruction or training provided to the patient and, if designated, the patient's lay caregiver, prior to discharge, to perform aftercare tasks. Instruction or training may include education and counseling about the patient's medications, including dosing and proper use of medication delivery devices when applicable; and
- (h) Notification to a lay caregiver, if designated, of the patient's discharge or transfer.
- (3) In the event that a hospital is unable to contact a designated lay caregiver, the lack of contact may not interfere with, delay, or otherwise affect the medical care provided to the patient, or an appropriate discharge of the patient.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 70.41 RCW to read as follows:
- Section 2 of this act does not require a hospital to adopt discharge policies or criteria that:
- (1) Delay a patient's discharge or transfer to another facility or to home; or
- (2) Require the disclosure of protected health information to a lay caregiver without obtaining a patient's consent as required by state and federal laws governing health information privacy and security, including chapter 70.02 RCW and the federal health insurance portability and accountability act of 1996 and related regulations.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 70.41 RCW to read as follows:
- Nothing in section 2 of this act may be construed to:
- (1) Interfere with the rights or duties of an agent operating under a valid health care directive under RCW 70.122.030;
- (2) Interfere with designations made by a patient pursuant to a physician order for life-sustaining treatment under RCW 43.70.480;
- (3) Interfere with the rights or duties of an authorized surrogate decision maker under RCW 7.70.065;
- (4) Establish a new requirement to reimburse or otherwise pay for services performed by the lay caregiver for aftercare;
- (5) Create a private right of action against a hospital or any of its directors, trustees, officers, employees, or agents, or any contractors with whom the hospital has a contractual relationship;
- (6) Hold liable, in any way, a hospital, hospital employee, or any consultants or contractors with whom the hospital has a contractual relationship for the services rendered or not rendered by the lay caregiver to the patient at the patient's residence;
- (7) Obligate a designated lay caregiver to perform any aftercare tasks for any patient;

- (8) Require a patient to designate any individual as a lay caregiver as defined in RCW 70.41.020;
- (9) Obviate the obligation of a health carrier as defined in RCW 48.43.005 or any other entity issuing health benefit plans to provide coverage required under a health benefit plan; and
- (10) Impact, impede, or otherwise disrupt or reduce the reimbursement obligations of a health carrier or any other entity issuing health benefit plans.
- Sec. 5. RCW 70.41.320 and 1998 c 245 s 127 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Hospitals and acute care facilities shall:
- (a) Work cooperatively with the department of social and health services, area agencies on aging, and local long-term care information and assistance organizations in the planning and implementation of patient discharges to long-term care services.
- (b) Establish and maintain a system for discharge planning and designate a person responsible for system management and implementation.
- (c) Establish written policies and procedures to:
- (i) Identify patients needing further nursing, therapy, or supportive care following discharge from the hospital;
- (ii) Subject to section 2 of this act, develop a documented discharge plan for each identified patient, including relevant patient history, specific care requirements, and date such follow-up care is to be initiated;
- (iii) Coordinate with patient, family, caregiver, lay caregiver as provided in section 2 of this act, a long-term care worker as defined in RCW 74.39A.009, a home and community-based service provider such as an adult family home as defined in RCW 70.128.010, an assisted living facility as defined in RCW 18.20.020, or a home care agency as defined in RCW 70.127.010, and appropriate members of the health care team;
- (iv) Provide any patient, regardless of income status, written information and verbal consultation regarding the array of long-term care options available in the community, including the relative cost, eligibility criteria, location, and contact persons;
- (v) Promote an informed choice of long-term care services on the part of patients, family members, and legal representatives; ((and))
- (vi) Coordinate with the department and specialized case management agencies, including area agencies on aging and other appropriate long-term care providers, as necessary, to ensure timely transition to appropriate home, community residential, or nursing facility care; and
- (vii) Inform the patient or his or her surrogate decision maker designated under RCW 7.70.065 if it is necessary to complete a valid disclosure authorization as required by state and federal laws governing health information privacy and security, including chapter 70.02 RCW and the federal health insurance portability and accountability act of 1996 and related regulations, in order to allow disclosure of health care information, including the discharge plan, to an individual or entity that will be involved in the patient's care upon discharge, including a lay caregiver as defined in RCW 70.41.020, a long-term care worker as defined in RCW 74.39A.009, a home and community-based service provider such as

- an adult family home as defined in RCW 70.128.010, an assisted living facility as defined in RCW 18.20.020, or a home care agency as defined in RCW 70.127.010. If a valid disclosure authorization is obtained, the hospital may release information as designated by the patient for care coordination or other specified purposes.
- (d) Work in cooperation with the department which is responsible for ensuring that patients eligible for medicaid long-term care receive prompt assessment and appropriate service authorization.
- (2) In partnership with selected hospitals, the department of social and health services shall develop and implement pilot projects in up to three areas of the state with the goal of providing information about appropriate in-home and community services to individuals and their families early during the individual's hospital stay.

The department shall not delay hospital discharges but shall assist and support the activities of hospital discharge planners. The department also shall coordinate with home health and hospice agencies whenever appropriate. The role of the department is to assist the hospital and to assist patients and their families in making informed choices by providing information regarding home and community options.

In conducting the pilot projects, the department shall:

- (a) Assess and offer information regarding appropriate in-home and community services to individuals who are medicaid clients or applicants; and
- (b) Offer assessment and information regarding appropriate in-home and community services to individuals who are reasonably expected to become medicaid recipients within one hundred eighty days of admission to a nursing facility."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Clibborn; Jinkins; Moeller; Robinson; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; DeBolt; Johnson and Short.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6338

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Addressing the rights of dissenting members of cooperative associations in certain mergers. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "Sec. 1. RCW 23.86.135 and 1989 c 307 s 30 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, a member of an association shall have the right to dissent from any of the following association actions:

- (((1))) (a) Any plan of merger or consolidation to which the association is a party;
- (((2))) (b) Any plan of conversion of the association to an ordinary business corporation; or
- (((3))) (c) Any sale or exchange of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the association not made in the usual and regular course of its business, including a sale in dissolution, but not including a sale pursuant to an order of a court having jurisdiction in the premises or a sale for cash on terms requiring that all or substantially all of the net proceeds of the sale be distributed to the members in accordance with their respective interests within one year from the date of sale.
- (2) A member of a rural electric association is not entitled to dissent from a merger to which the association is a party if all members of the association have the right to continue their membership status in the surviving association on substantially similar terms."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6360

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Developing a plan for the consolidation of traffic-based financial obligations. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The office of the attorney general shall convene a work group of stakeholders to provide input and feedback on the development of a plan and program for the efficient statewide consolidation of an individual's traffic-based financial obligations imposed by courts of limited jurisdiction into a unified and affordable payment plan.

- (2) The following must be invited to participate in the work group:
- (a) The administrator for the courts or the administrator for the courts' designee;
- (b) The director of the Washington state department of licensing or the director's designee;
- (c) A district or municipal court judge, appointed by the district and municipal court judges' association;
- (d) A prosecutor, appointed by the Washington association of prosecuting attorneys, or the prosecutor's designee;
- (e) A public defender, jointly appointed by the Washington defender association and the Washington association of criminal defense lawyers;

- (f) A district or municipal court administrator or manager, appointed by the district and municipal court management association;
- (g) A representative of a civil legal aid organization, appointed by the office of civil legal aid;
- (h) The chief of the Washington state patrol or the chief's designee:
- (i) A representative of a statewide association of police chiefs and sheriffs, selected by the association;
- (j) The director of the Washington traffic safety commission or the director's designee;
- (k) A representative of a statewide association of city governments, selected by the association;
- (1) A representative of a statewide association of counties, selected by the association; and
- (m) A representative of a statewide association of collection professionals.
- (3) The work group shall convene as necessary.
- (4) The stakeholder work group shall provide final feedback and recommendations to the office of the attorney general no later than September 15, 2017.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. (1) At a minimum, the plan must:

- (a) Provide for the participation in the statewide system by all courts of limited jurisdiction;
- (b) Establish proposed uniform procedures and eligibility criteria for participation in the program by individuals, how payment plans will be established, how community restitution in lieu of all or part of a monetary penalty may be incorporated in the payment plans, and the circumstances and procedures for terminating an individual's participation in the program;
- (c) Provide recommendations regarding which trafficbased financial obligations should be included and whether any should not be included. These recommendations must address whether or not to include obligations arising out of red light camera violations; and
- (d) Provide recommendations regarding how to create and implement the program through supreme court rule making, legislation, or a combination thereof.
- (2) Considerations for the program may include, but not be limited to:
- (a) Procedures to allow traffic-based financial obligations incurred after establishment of a payment plan to be added to and consolidated with an existing unified payment plan;
- (b) Provisions for waiving previously accumulated interest once a person is determined to be eligible for the program, establishes a payment plan, and makes an initial payment in accordance with the terms of such a plan;
- (c) Procedures for communicating to the courts of limited jurisdiction when a person enters into a payment plan for traffic-based financial obligations and makes an initial payment thereon, so that the courts of limited jurisdiction can notify the department of licensing and which shall result in the department of licensing releasing any suspension of that person's driver's license or driver's privilege based on failure to respond to or pay those traffic-based financial obligations;

- (d) A process for proportionally allocating any moneys collected through a consolidated payment plan between the courts that imposed the financial obligations included in the consolidated plan;
- (e) Whether to contract with outside entities to administer the program;
- (f) What fee, if any, should be assessed to the individual participating in the program for the administration of such services, which may be calculated on a periodic, percentage, or other basis, and the limits on such fees if the program is to be administered by an outside entity;
- (g) Appropriate uniform administrative protocols and associated workflow coordination for the administrative office of the courts and for courts of limited jurisdiction;
- (h) Uniform guidelines for establishing reasonable, affordable payment plans that are based on an individual's income and capacity to pay, as well as policies and procedures for recording the terms of such plans in a written document provided to program participants;
- (i) Policies and procedures to remit money received on a monthly basis to courts that includes an accounting of the involved case numbers and their remaining balances due; and
- (j) Policies and procedures for establishing default for when a program participant fails to meet the terms of the payment plan, for other grounds for terminating program participation, and to provide timely notice to courts.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision in this act, the plan required by this act must not:
- (a) Provide for or make recommendations regarding the reinstatement of driving privileges when the revocation of a person's driving privileges is made mandatory by the provisions of chapter 46.20 RCW or other law; or
- (b) Include provisions or recommendations related to altering the original amount of any traffic-based financial obligation imposed by any court of limited jurisdiction.
- (2) Nothing herein prohibits local jurisdictions or state agencies from offering training in how to provide participants with life skills, driver's education, or budget management classes, or from offering other resources targeted towards addressing the social barriers facing participants with chronically suspended driver's licenses for unpaid traffic fines.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The office of the attorney general shall submit a report detailing its recommendations and the plan and program required by this act to the Washington state supreme court, the governor, and appropriate committees of the legislature no later than December 1, 2017.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. This act expires December 31, 2017."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 23, 2016

SB 6405

Prime Sponsor, Senator Benton: Addressing the civilian health and medical program for the veterans affairs administration. Reported by Committee on Business & Financial Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kirby, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair; Vick, Ranking Minority Member; McCabe, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Barkis; Blake; Dye; Hurst; Kochmar; Ryu and Santos.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6411

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Expanding the eligibility of certain representatives and transferees to serve as directors, officers, and shareholders of professional service corporations. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESB 6413

Prime Sponsor, Senator Mullet: Modifying residential landlord-tenant act provisions relating to tenant screening, evictions, and refunds. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 59.18.030 and 2015 c 264 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter:

(1) "Certificate of inspection" means an unsworn statement, declaration, verification, or certificate made in accordance with the requirements of RCW 9A.72.085 by a qualified inspector that states that the landlord has not failed to fulfill any substantial obligation imposed under RCW 59.18.060 that endangers or impairs the health or safety of a tenant, including (a) structural members that are of insufficient size or strength to carry imposed loads with safety, (b) exposure of the occupants to the weather, (c) plumbing and sanitation defects that directly expose the occupants to the risk of illness or injury, (d) not providing facilities adequate to supply heat and water and hot water as reasonably required by the tenant, (e) providing heating or ventilation systems that are not functional or are hazardous, (f) defective,

hazardous, or missing electrical wiring or electrical service, (g) defective or hazardous exits that increase the risk of injury to occupants, and (h) conditions that increase the risk of fire.

- (2) "Commercially reasonable manner," with respect to a sale of a deceased tenant's personal property, means a sale where every aspect of the sale, including the method, manner, time, place, and other terms, must be commercially reasonable. If commercially reasonable, a landlord may sell the tenant's property by public or private proceedings, by one or more contracts, as a unit or in parcels, and at any time and place and on any terms.
- (3) "Designated person" means a person designated by the tenant under RCW 59.18.590.
- (4) "Distressed home" has the same meaning as in RCW 61.34.020.
- (5) "Distressed home conveyance" has the same meaning as in RCW 61.34.020.
- (6) "Distressed home purchaser" has the same meaning as in RCW 61.34.020.
- (7) "Dwelling unit" is a structure or that part of a structure which is used as a home, residence, or sleeping place by one person or by two or more persons maintaining a common household, including but not limited to single-family residences and units of multiplexes, apartment buildings, and mobile homes.
- (8) "Gang" means a group that: (a) Consists of three or more persons; (b) has identifiable leadership or an identifiable name, sign, or symbol; and (c) on an ongoing basis, regularly conspires and acts in concert mainly for criminal purposes.
- (9) "Gang-related activity" means any activity that occurs within the gang or advances a gang purpose.
- (10) "In danger of foreclosure" means any of the following:
- (a) The homeowner has defaulted on the mortgage and, under the terms of the mortgage, the mortgage has the right to accelerate full payment of the mortgage and repossess, sell, or cause to be sold the property:
- (b) The homeowner is at least thirty days delinquent on any loan that is secured by the property; or
- (c) The homeowner has a good faith belief that he or she is likely to default on the mortgage within the upcoming four months due to a lack of funds, and the homeowner has reported this belief to:
- (i) The mortgagee;
- (ii) A person licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 19.134 RCW;
- (iii) A person licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 19.146 RCW;
- (iv) A person licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 18.85 RCW;
- (v) An attorney-at-law;
- (vi) A mortgage counselor or other credit counselor licensed or certified by any federal, state, or local agency; or
- (vii) Any other party to a distressed property conveyance.
- (11) "Landlord" means the owner, lessor, or sublessor of the dwelling unit or the property of which it is a part, and in addition means any person designated as representative of the owner, lessor, or sublessor

- including, but not limited to, an agent, a resident manager, or a designated property manager.
- (12) "Mortgage" is used in the general sense and includes all instruments, including deeds of trust, that are used to secure an obligation by an interest in real property.
- (13) "Owner" means one or more persons, jointly or severally, in whom is vested:
- (a) All or any part of the legal title to property; or
- (b) All or part of the beneficial ownership, and a right to present use and enjoyment of the property.
- (14) "Person" means an individual, group of individuals, corporation, government, or governmental agency, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, or association, two or more persons having a joint or common interest, or any other legal or commercial entity.
- (15) "Premises" means a dwelling unit, appurtenances thereto, grounds, and facilities held out for the use of tenants generally and any other area or facility which is held out for use by the tenant.
- (16) "Property" or "rental property" means all dwelling units on a contiguous quantity of land managed by the same landlord as a single, rental complex.
- (17) "Prospective landlord" means a landlord or a person who advertises, solicits, offers, or otherwise holds a dwelling unit out as available for rent.
- (18) "Prospective tenant" means a tenant or a person who has applied for residential housing that is governed under this chapter.
- (19) "Qualified inspector" means a United States department of housing and urban development certified inspector; a Washington state licensed home inspector; an American society of home inspectors certified inspector; a private inspector certified by the national association of housing and redevelopment officials, the American association of code enforcement, or other comparable professional association as approved by the local municipality; a municipal code enforcement officer; a Washington licensed structural engineer; or a Washington licensed architect.
- (20) "Reasonable attorneys' fees," where authorized in this chapter, means an amount to be determined including the following factors: The time and labor required, the novelty and difficulty of the questions involved, the skill requisite to perform the legal service properly, the fee customarily charged in the locality for similar legal services, the amount involved and the results obtained, and the experience, reputation and ability of the lawyer or lawyers performing the services.
- (21) "Reasonable manner," with respect to disposing of a deceased tenant's personal property, means to dispose of the property by donation to a not-for-profit charitable organization, by removal of the property by a trash hauler or recycler, or by any other method that is reasonable under the circumstances.
- (22) "Rental agreement" means all agreements which establish or modify the terms, conditions, rules, regulations, or any other provisions concerning the use and occupancy of a dwelling unit.
- (23) A "single-family residence" is a structure maintained and used as a single dwelling unit. Notwithstanding that a dwelling unit shares one or more

walls with another dwelling unit, it shall be deemed a single-family residence if it has direct access to a street and shares neither heating facilities nor hot water equipment, nor any other essential facility or service, with any other dwelling unit.

- (24) A "tenant" is any person who is entitled to occupy a dwelling unit primarily for living or dwelling purposes under a rental agreement.
- (25) "Tenant representative" means:
- (a) A personal representative of a deceased tenant's estate if known to the landlord;
- (b) If the landlord has no knowledge that a personal representative has been appointed for the deceased tenant's estate, a person claiming to be a successor of the deceased tenant who has provided the landlord with proof of death and an affidavit made by the person that meets the requirements of RCW 11.62.010(2);
- (c) In the absence of a personal representative under (a) of this subsection or a person claiming to be a successor under (b) of this subsection, a designated person; or
- (d) In the absence of a personal representative under (a) of this subsection, a person claiming to be a successor under (b) of this subsection, or a designated person under (c) of this subsection, any person who provides the landlord with reasonable evidence that he or she is a successor of the deceased tenant as defined in RCW 11.62.005. The landlord has no obligation to identify all of the deceased tenant's successors.
- (26) "Tenant screening" means using a consumer report or other information about a prospective tenant in deciding whether to make or accept an offer for residential rental property to or from a prospective tenant.
- (27) "Tenant screening report" means a consumer report as defined in RCW 19.182.010 and any other information collected by a tenant screening service.
- (28) "Comprehensive reusable tenant screening report" means a tenant screening report prepared by a consumer reporting agency at the direction of and paid for by the prospective tenant and made available directly to a prospective landlord at no charge, which contains all of the following: (a) A consumer credit report prepared by a consumer reporting agency within the past thirty days; (b) the prospective tenant's criminal history; (c) the prospective tenant's eviction history; (d) an employment verification; and (e) the prospective tenant's address and rental history.
- (29) "Criminal history" means a report containing or summarizing (a) the prospective tenant's criminal convictions and pending cases, the final disposition of which antedates the report by no more than seven years, and (b) the results of a sex offender registry and United States department of the treasury's office of foreign assets control search, all based on at least seven years of address history and alias information provided by the prospective tenant or available in the consumer credit report.
- (30) "Eviction history" means a report containing or summarizing the contents of any records of unlawful detainer actions concerning the prospective tenant that are reportable in accordance with state law, are lawful for landlords to consider, and are obtained after a search

based on at least seven years of address history and alias information provided by the prospective tenant or available in the consumer credit report.

- Sec. 2. RCW 59.18.257 and 2012 c 41 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) Prior to obtaining any information about a prospective tenant, the prospective landlord shall first notify the prospective tenant in writing, or by posting, of the following:
- (i) What types of information will be accessed to conduct the tenant screening;
- (ii) What criteria may result in denial of the application; ((and))
- (iii) If a consumer report is used, the name and address of the consumer reporting agency and the prospective tenant's rights to obtain a free copy of the consumer report in the event of a denial or other adverse action, and to dispute the accuracy of information appearing in the consumer report; and
- (iv) Whether or not the landlord will accept a comprehensive reusable tenant screening report made available to the landlord by a consumer reporting agency. If the landlord indicates its willingness to accept a comprehensive reusable tenant screening report, the landlord may access the landlord's own tenant screening report regarding a prospective tenant as long as the prospective tenant is not charged for the landlord's own tenant screening report.
- (b)(i) The landlord may charge a prospective tenant for costs incurred in obtaining a tenant screening report only if the prospective landlord provides the information as required in (a) of this subsection.
- (ii) If a prospective landlord conducts his or her own screening of tenants, the prospective landlord may charge his or her actual costs in obtaining the background information only if the prospective landlord provides the information as required in (a) of this subsection. The amount charged may not exceed the customary costs charged by a screening service in the general area. The prospective landlord's actual costs include costs incurred for long distance phone calls and for time spent calling landlords, employers, and financial institutions.
- (c) If a prospective landlord takes an adverse action, the prospective landlord shall provide a written notice of the adverse action to the prospective tenant that states the reasons for the adverse action. The adverse action notice must contain the following information in a substantially similar format, including additional information as may be required under chapter 19.182 RCW:

#### "ADVERSE ACTION NOTICE

Name

Address

City/State/Zip Code

This notice is to inform you that your application has been:

- ..... Rejected
- ..... Approved with conditions:
- ..... Residency requires an increased deposit
- ..... Residency requires a qualified guarantor
- ..... Residency requires last month's rent

 $\ldots$  . Residency requires an increased monthly rent of  $\$\ldots\ldots$ 

..... Other:

Adverse action on your application was based on the following:

- ..... Information contained in a consumer report (The prospective landlord must include the name, address, and phone number of the consumer reporting agency that furnished the consumer report that contributed to the adverse action.)
- ..... The consumer credit report did not contain sufficient information
- ..... Information received from previous rental history or reference
- ..... Information received in a criminal record
- ..... Information received in a civil record
- ..... Information received from an employment verification

Dated this ..... day of ......, ((20))....(year)

Agent/Owner Signature"

- (2) Any landlord who maintains a web site advertising the rental of a dwelling unit or as a source of information for current or prospective tenants must include a statement on the property's home page stating whether or not the landlord will accept a comprehensive reusable tenant screening report made available to the landlord by a consumer reporting agency. If the landlord indicates its willingness to accept a comprehensive reusable tenant screening report, the landlord may access the landlord's own tenant screening report regarding a prospective tenant as long as the prospective tenant is not charged for the landlord's own tenant screening report.
- (3) Any landlord or prospective landlord who violates subsection (1) of this section may be liable to the prospective tenant for an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars. The prevailing party may also recover court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.
- (((3) A stakeholder work group comprised of landlords, tenant advocates, and representatives of consumer reporting and tenant screening companies shall convene for the purposes of addressing the issues of tenant screening including, but not limited to: A tenant's cost of obtaining a tenant screening report; the portability of tenant screening reports; criteria used to evaluate a prospective tenant's background, including which court records may or may not be considered; and the regulation of tenant screening services. Specific recommendations on these issues are due to the legislature by December 1, 2012.))
- (4) This section does not limit a prospective tenant's rights or the duties of a screening service as otherwise provided in chapter 19.182 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 59.18 RCW to read as follows:

(1) A court may order an unlawful detainer action to be of limited dissemination for one or more persons if: (a) The court finds that the plaintiff's case was sufficiently without basis in fact or law; (b) the tenancy was reinstated under RCW 59.18.410 or other law; or (c) other good cause exists for limiting dissemination of the unlawful detainer action.

- (2) An order to limit dissemination of an unlawful detainer action must be in writing.
- (3) When an order for limited dissemination of an unlawful detainer action has been entered with respect to a person, a tenant screening service provider must not:
  (a) Disclose the existence of that unlawful detainer action in a tenant screening report pertaining to the person for whom dissemination has been limited, or (b) use the unlawful detainer action as a factor in determining any score or recommendation to be included in a tenant screening report pertaining to the
- Sec. 4. RCW 59.18.280 and 2010 c 8 s 19027 are each amended to read as follows:

person for whom dissemination has been limited.

- (1) Within ((fourteen)) twenty-one days after the termination of the rental agreement and vacation of the premises or, if the tenant abandons the premises as defined in RCW 59.18.310, within ((fourteen)) twenty-one days after the landlord learns of the abandonment, the landlord shall give a full and specific statement of the basis for retaining any of the deposit together with the payment of any refund due the tenant under the terms and conditions of the rental agreement.
- (a) No portion of any deposit shall be withheld on account of wear resulting from ordinary use of the premises.
- (b) The landlord complies with this section if the required statement or payment, or both, are delivered to the tenant personally or deposited in the United States mail properly addressed to the tenant's last known address with first-class postage prepaid within the ((fourteen)) twenty-one days.
- ((The notice shall be delivered to the tenant personally or by mail to his or her last known address.)) (2) If the landlord fails to give such statement together with any refund due the tenant within the time limits specified above he or she shall be liable to the tenant for the full amount of the deposit. The landlord is also barred in any action brought by the tenant to recover the deposit from asserting any claim or raising any defense for retaining any of the deposit unless the landlord shows that circumstances beyond the landlord's control prevented the landlord from providing the statement within the ((fourteen)) twenty-one days or that the tenant abandoned the premises as defined in RCW 59.18.310. The court may in its discretion award up to two times the amount of the deposit for the intentional refusal of the landlord to give the statement or refund due. In any action brought by the tenant to recover the deposit, the prevailing party shall additionally be entitled to the cost of suit or arbitration including a reasonable attorneys'
- (3) Nothing in this chapter shall preclude the landlord from proceeding against, and the landlord shall have the right to proceed against a tenant to recover sums exceeding the amount of the tenant's damage or security deposit for damage to the property for which the tenant is responsible together with reasonable attorneys' fees." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Shea,

Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

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#### SSB 6430

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Human Services, Mental Health & Housing: Providing continuity of care for recipients of medical assistance during periods of incarceration. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

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## SSB 6445

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Clarifying the role of physician assistants in the delivery of mental health services. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 71.05.020 and 2015 c 269 s 14 and 2015 c 250 s 2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Admission" or "admit" means a decision by a physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner that a person should be examined or treated as a patient in a hospital;
- (2) "Antipsychotic medications" means that class of drugs primarily used to treat serious manifestations of mental illness associated with thought disorders, which includes, but is not limited to atypical antipsychotic medications:
- (3) "Attending staff" means any person on the staff of a public or private agency having responsibility for the care and treatment of a patient;
- (4) "Commitment" means the determination by a court that a person should be detained for a period of either evaluation or treatment, or both, in an inpatient or a less restrictive setting;
- (5) "Conditional release" means a revocable modification of a commitment, which may be revoked upon violation of any of its terms;
- (6) "Crisis stabilization unit" means a short-term facility or a portion of a facility licensed by the department of health and certified by the department of social and health services under RCW 71.24.035, such as an

- evaluation and treatment facility or a hospital, which has been designed to assess, diagnose, and treat individuals experiencing an acute crisis without the use of long-term hospitalization;
- (7) "Custody" means involuntary detention under the provisions of this chapter or chapter 10.77 RCW, uninterrupted by any period of unconditional release from commitment from a facility providing involuntary care and treatment;
- (8) "Department" means the department of social and health services;
- (9) "Designated chemical dependency specialist" means a person designated by the county alcoholism and other drug addiction program coordinator designated under RCW 70.96A.310 to perform the commitment duties described in chapters 70.96A and 70.96B RCW;
- (10) "Designated crisis responder" means a mental health professional appointed by the county or the behavioral health organization to perform the duties specified in this chapter;
- (11) "Designated mental health professional" means a mental health professional designated by the county or other authority authorized in rule to perform the duties specified in this chapter;
- (12) "Detention" or "detain" means the lawful confinement of a person, under the provisions of this chapter;
- (13) "Developmental disabilities professional" means a person who has specialized training and three years of experience in directly treating or working with persons with developmental disabilities and is a psychiatrist, physician assistant working with a supervising psychiatrist, psychologist, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or social worker, and such other developmental disabilities professionals as may be defined by rules adopted by the secretary;
- (14) "Developmental disability" means that condition defined in RCW 71A.10.020(5);
- (15) "Discharge" means the termination of hospital medical authority. The commitment may remain in place, be terminated, or be amended by court order;
- (16) "Evaluation and treatment facility" means any facility which can provide directly, or by direct arrangement with other public or private agencies, emergency evaluation and treatment, outpatient care, and timely and appropriate inpatient care to persons suffering from a mental disorder, and which is certified as such by the department. The department may certify single beds as temporary evaluation and treatment beds under RCW 71.05.745. A physically separate and separately operated portion of a state hospital may be designated as an evaluation and treatment facility. A facility which is part of, or operated by, the department or any federal agency will not require certification. No correctional institution or facility, or jail, shall be an evaluation and treatment facility within the meaning of this chapter:
- (17) "Gravely disabled" means a condition in which a person, as a result of a mental disorder: (a) Is in danger of serious physical harm resulting from a failure to provide for his or her essential human needs of health or safety; or (b) manifests severe deterioration in routine

functioning evidenced by repeated and escalating loss of cognitive or volitional control over his or her actions and is not receiving such care as is essential for his or her health or safety;

- (18) "Habilitative services" means those services provided by program personnel to assist persons in acquiring and maintaining life skills and in raising their levels of physical, mental, social, and vocational functioning. Habilitative services include education, training for employment, and therapy. The habilitative process shall be undertaken with recognition of the risk to the public safety presented by the person being assisted as manifested by prior charged criminal conduct:
- (19) "History of one or more violent acts" refers to the period of time ten years prior to the filing of a petition under this chapter, excluding any time spent, but not any violent acts committed, in a mental health facility or in confinement as a result of a criminal conviction;
- (20) "Imminent" means the state or condition of being likely to occur at any moment or near at hand, rather than distant or remote;
- (21) "In need of assisted outpatient mental health treatment" means that a person, as a result of a mental disorder: (a) Has been committed by a court to detention for involuntary mental health treatment at least twice during the preceding thirty-six months, or, if the person is currently committed for involuntary mental health treatment, the person has been committed to detention for involuntary mental health treatment at least once during the thirty-six months preceding the date of initial detention of the current commitment cycle; (b) is unlikely to voluntarily participate in outpatient treatment without an order for less restrictive alternative treatment, in view of the person's treatment history or current behavior; (c) is unlikely to survive safely in the community without supervision; (d) is likely to benefit from less restrictive alternative treatment; and (e) requires less restrictive alternative treatment to prevent a relapse, decompensation, or deterioration that is likely to result in the person presenting a likelihood of serious harm or the person becoming gravely disabled within a reasonably short period of time. For purposes of (a) of this subsection, time spent in a mental health facility or in confinement as a result of a criminal conviction is excluded from the thirty-six month calculation;
- (22) "Individualized service plan" means a plan prepared by a developmental disabilities professional with other professionals as a team, for a person with developmental disabilities, which shall state:
- (a) The nature of the person's specific problems, prior charged criminal behavior, and habilitation needs;
- (b) The conditions and strategies necessary to achieve the purposes of habilitation;
- (c) The intermediate and long-range goals of the habilitation program, with a projected timetable for the attainment;
- (d) The rationale for using this plan of habilitation to achieve those intermediate and long-range goals;
- (e) The staff responsible for carrying out the plan;
- (f) Where relevant in light of past criminal behavior and due consideration for public safety, the criteria for

- proposed movement to less-restrictive settings, criteria for proposed eventual discharge or release, and a projected possible date for discharge or release; and (g) The type of residence immediately anticipated for the
- (g) The type of residence immediately anticipated for the person and possible future types of residences;
- (23) "Information related to mental health services" means all information and records compiled, obtained, or maintained in the course of providing services to either voluntary or involuntary recipients of services by a mental health service provider. This may include documents of legal proceedings under this chapter or chapter 71.34 or 10.77 RCW, or somatic health care information;
- (24) "Judicial commitment" means a commitment by a court pursuant to the provisions of this chapter;
- (25) "Legal counsel" means attorneys and staff employed by county prosecutor offices or the state attorney general acting in their capacity as legal representatives of public mental health service providers under RCW 71.05.130;
- (26) "Less restrictive alternative treatment" means a program of individualized treatment in a less restrictive setting than inpatient treatment that includes the services described in RCW 71.05.585;
- (27) "Likelihood of serious harm" means:
- (a) A substantial risk that: (i) Physical harm will be inflicted by a person upon his or her own person, as evidenced by threats or attempts to commit suicide or inflict physical harm on oneself; (ii) physical harm will be inflicted by a person upon another, as evidenced by behavior which has caused such harm or which places another person or persons in reasonable fear of sustaining such harm; or (iii) physical harm will be inflicted by a person upon the property of others, as evidenced by behavior which has caused substantial loss or damage to the property of others; or
- (b) The person has threatened the physical safety of another and has a history of one or more violent acts;
- (28) "Medical clearance" means a physician or other health care provider has determined that a person is medically stable and ready for referral to the designated mental health professional;
- (29) "Mental disorder" means any organic, mental, or emotional impairment which has substantial adverse effects on a person's cognitive or volitional functions;
- (30) "Mental health professional" means a psychiatrist, psychologist, physician assistant working with a supervising psychiatrist, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, psychiatric nurse, or social worker, and such other mental health professionals as may be defined by rules adopted by the secretary pursuant to the provisions of this chapter;
- (31) "Mental health service provider" means a public or private agency that provides mental health services to persons with mental disorders as defined under this section and receives funding from public sources. This includes, but is not limited to, hospitals licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW, evaluation and treatment facilities as defined in this section, community mental health service delivery systems or community mental health programs as defined in RCW 71.24.025, facilities conducting competency evaluations and restoration

- under chapter 10.77 RCW, and correctional facilities operated by state and local governments;
- (32) "Peace officer" means a law enforcement official of a public agency or governmental unit, and includes persons specifically given peace officer powers by any state law, local ordinance, or judicial order of appointment;
- (33) "Private agency" means any person, partnership, corporation, or association that is not a public agency, whether or not financed in whole or in part by public funds, which constitutes an evaluation and treatment facility or private institution, or hospital, which is conducted for, or includes a department or ward conducted for, the care and treatment of persons who are mentally ill;
- (34) "Professional person" means a mental health professional and shall also mean a physician, physician assistant, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, registered nurse, and such others as may be defined by rules adopted by the secretary pursuant to the provisions of this chapter;
- (35) "Psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner" means a person who is licensed as an advanced registered nurse practitioner pursuant to chapter 18.79 RCW; and who is board certified in advanced practice psychiatric and mental health nursing;
- (36) "Psychiatrist" means a person having a license as a physician and surgeon in this state who has in addition completed three years of graduate training in psychiatry in a program approved by the American medical association or the American osteopathic association and is certified or eligible to be certified by the American board of psychiatry and neurology;
- (37) "Psychologist" means a person who has been licensed as a psychologist pursuant to chapter 18.83 RCW;
- (38) "Public agency" means any evaluation and treatment facility or institution, or hospital which is conducted for, or includes a department or ward conducted for, the care and treatment of persons with mental illness, if the agency is operated directly by, federal, state, county, or municipal government, or a combination of such governments;
- (39) "Registration records" include all the records of the department, behavioral health organizations, treatment facilities, and other persons providing services to the department, county departments, or facilities which identify persons who are receiving or who at any time have received services for mental illness;
- (40) "Release" means legal termination of the commitment under the provisions of this chapter;
- (41) "Resource management services" has the meaning given in chapter 71.24 RCW;
- (42) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department of social and health services, or his or her designee;
- (43) "Serious violent offense" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 9.94A.030;
- (44) "Social worker" means a person with a master's or further advanced degree from a social work educational program accredited and approved as provided in RCW 18.320.010;

- (45) "Therapeutic court personnel" means the staff of a mental health court or other therapeutic court which has jurisdiction over defendants who are dually diagnosed with mental disorders, including court personnel, probation officers, a court monitor, prosecuting attorney, or defense counsel acting within the scope of therapeutic court duties;
- (46) "Treatment records" include registration and all other records concerning persons who are receiving or who at any time have received services for mental illness, which are maintained by the department, by behavioral health organizations and their staffs, and by treatment facilities. Treatment records include mental health information contained in a medical bill including but not limited to mental health drugs, a mental health diagnosis, provider name, and dates of service stemming from a medical service. Treatment records do not include notes or records maintained for personal use by a person providing treatment services for the department, behavioral health organizations, or a treatment facility if the notes or records are not available to others:
- (47) "Triage facility" means a short-term facility or a portion of a facility licensed by the department of health and certified by the department of social and health services under RCW 71.24.035, which is designed as a facility to assess and stabilize an individual or determine the need for involuntary commitment of an individual, and must meet department of health residential treatment facility standards. A triage facility may be structured as a voluntary or involuntary placement facility;
- (48) "Violent act" means behavior that resulted in homicide, attempted suicide, nonfatal injuries, or substantial damage to property;
- (49) "Physician assistant" means a person licensed as a physician assistant under chapter 18.57A or 18.71A RCW
- Sec. 2. RCW 71.05.210 and 2015 c 269 s 7 and 2015 c 250 s 20 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- (1) Each person involuntarily detained and accepted or admitted at an evaluation and treatment facility (((1))):
- (a) Shall, within twenty-four hours of his or her admission or acceptance at the facility, not counting time periods prior to medical clearance, be examined and evaluated by (((a) a licensed physician who may be assisted by a physician assistant according to chapter 18.71A RCW and a mental health professional, (b) an advanced registered nurse practitioner according to chapter 18.79 RCW and a mental health professional, or (c) a licensed physician and a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner)):
- (i) One physician and a mental health professional;
- (ii) One physician assistant and a mental health professional; or
- (iii) One advanced registered nurse practitioner and a mental health professional; and
- (((2))) (b) Shall receive such treatment and care as his or her condition requires including treatment on an outpatient basis for the period that he or she is detained, except that, beginning twenty-four hours prior to a trial or hearing pursuant to RCW 71.05.215, 71.05.240,

71.05.310, 71.05.320, 71.05.590, or 71.05.217, the individual may refuse psychiatric medications, but may not refuse: (((a))) (i) Any other medication previously prescribed by a person licensed under Title 18 RCW; or (((b))) (ii) emergency lifesaving treatment, and the individual shall be informed at an appropriate time of his or her right of such refusal. The person shall be detained up to seventy-two hours, if, in the opinion of the professional person in charge of the facility, or his or her professional designee, the person presents a likelihood of serious harm, or is gravely disabled. A person who has been detained for seventy-two hours shall no later than the end of such period be released, unless referred for further care on a voluntary basis, or detained pursuant to court order for further treatment as provided in this chapter.

- (2) If, after examination and evaluation, the mental health professional and licensed physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner determine that the initial needs of the person would be better served by placement in a chemical dependency treatment facility, then the person shall be referred to an approved treatment program defined under RCW 70.96A.020.
- (3) An evaluation and treatment center admitting or accepting any person pursuant to this chapter whose physical condition reveals the need for hospitalization shall assure that such person is transferred to an appropriate hospital for evaluation or admission for treatment. Notice of such fact shall be given to the court, the designated attorney, and the designated mental health professional and the court shall order such continuance in proceedings under this chapter as may be necessary, but in no event may this continuance be more than fourteen days.
- Sec. 3. RCW 71.05.215 and 2008 c 156 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A person found to be gravely disabled or presents a likelihood of serious harm as a result of a mental disorder has a right to refuse antipsychotic medication unless it is determined that the failure to medicate may result in a likelihood of serious harm or substantial deterioration or substantially prolong the length of involuntary commitment and there is no less intrusive course of treatment than medication in the best interest of that person.
- (2) The department shall adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this chapter. These rules shall include:
- (a) An attempt to obtain the informed consent of the person prior to administration of antipsychotic medication.
- (b) For short-term treatment up to thirty days, the right to refuse antipsychotic medications unless there is an additional concurring medical opinion approving medication by a psychiatrist, physician assistant working with a supervising psychiatrist, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician or physician assistant in consultation with a mental health professional with prescriptive authority.
- (c) For continued treatment beyond thirty days through the hearing on any petition filed under RCW 71.05.217,

- the right to periodic review of the decision to medicate by the medical director or designee.
- (d) Administration of antipsychotic medication in an emergency and review of this decision within twenty-four hours. An emergency exists if the person presents an imminent likelihood of serious harm, and medically acceptable alternatives to administration of antipsychotic medications are not available or are unlikely to be successful; and in the opinion of the physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, the person's condition constitutes an emergency requiring the treatment be instituted prior to obtaining a second medical opinion.
- (e) Documentation in the medical record of the attempt by the physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner to obtain informed consent and the reasons why antipsychotic medication is being administered over the person's objection or lack of consent.
- Sec. 4. RCW 71.05.217 and 2008 c 156 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

Insofar as danger to the individual or others is not created, each person involuntarily detained, treated in a less restrictive alternative course of treatment, or committed for treatment and evaluation pursuant to this chapter shall have, in addition to other rights not specifically withheld by law, the following rights, a list of which shall be prominently posted in all facilities, institutions, and hospitals providing such services:

- (1) To wear his or her own clothes and to keep and use his or her own personal possessions, except when deprivation of same is essential to protect the safety of the resident or other persons;
- (2) To keep and be allowed to spend a reasonable sum of his or her own money for canteen expenses and small purchases;
- (3) To have access to individual storage space for his or her private use;
- (4) To have visitors at reasonable times;
- (5) To have reasonable access to a telephone, both to make and receive confidential calls:
- (6) To have ready access to letter writing materials, including stamps, and to send and receive uncensored correspondence through the mails;
- (7) Not to consent to the administration of antipsychotic medications beyond the hearing conducted pursuant to RCW 71.05.320(((3))) (4) or the performance of electroconvulsant therapy or surgery, except emergency lifesaving surgery, unless ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to the following standards and procedures:
- (a) The administration of antipsychotic medication or electroconvulsant therapy shall not be ordered unless the petitioning party proves by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that there exists a compelling state interest that justifies overriding the patient's lack of consent to the administration of antipsychotic medications or electroconvulsant therapy, that the proposed treatment is necessary and effective, and that medically acceptable alternative forms of treatment are not available, have not been successful, or are not likely to be effective.

- (b) The court shall make specific findings of fact concerning: (i) The existence of one or more compelling state interests; (ii) the necessity and effectiveness of the treatment; and (iii) the person's desires regarding the proposed treatment. If the patient is unable to make a rational and informed decision about consenting to or refusing the proposed treatment, the court shall make a substituted judgment for the patient as if he or she were competent to make such a determination.
- (c) The person shall be present at any hearing on a request to administer antipsychotic medication or electroconvulsant therapy filed pursuant to this subsection. The person has the right: (i) To be represented by an attorney; (ii) to present evidence; (iii) to cross-examine witnesses; (iv) to have the rules of evidence enforced; (v) to remain silent; (vi) to view and copy all petitions and reports in the court file; and (vii) to be given reasonable notice and an opportunity to prepare for the hearing. The court may appoint a psychiatrist, physician assistant working with a supervising psychiatrist, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, psychologist within their scope of practice, physician assistant, or physician to examine and testify on behalf of such person. The court shall appoint a psychiatrist, physician assistant working with a supervising psychiatrist, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, psychologist within their scope of practice, physician assistant, or physician designated by such person or the person's counsel to testify on behalf of the person in cases where an order for electroconvulsant therapy is sought.
- (d) An order for the administration of antipsychotic medications entered following a hearing conducted pursuant to this section shall be effective for the period of the current involuntary treatment order, and any interim period during which the person is awaiting trial or hearing on a new petition for involuntary treatment or involuntary medication.
- (e) Any person detained pursuant to RCW 71.05.320(((3))) (4), who subsequently refuses antipsychotic medication, shall be entitled to the procedures set forth in this subsection.
- (f) Antipsychotic medication may be administered to a nonconsenting person detained or committed pursuant to this chapter without a court order pursuant to RCW 71.05.215(2) or under the following circumstances:
- (i) A person presents an imminent likelihood of serious
- (ii) Medically acceptable alternatives to administration of antipsychotic medications are not available, have not been successful, or are not likely to be effective; and
- (iii) In the opinion of the physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner with responsibility for treatment of the person, or his or her designee, the person's condition constitutes an emergency requiring the treatment be instituted before a judicial hearing as authorized pursuant to this section can be held.

If antipsychotic medications are administered over a person's lack of consent pursuant to this subsection, a petition for an order authorizing the administration of antipsychotic medications shall be filed on the next

- judicial day. The hearing shall be held within two judicial days. If deemed necessary by the physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner with responsibility for the treatment of the person, administration of antipsychotic medications may continue until the hearing is held;
- (8) To dispose of property and sign contracts unless such person has been adjudicated an incompetent in a court proceeding directed to that particular issue;
- (9) Not to have psychosurgery performed on him or her under any circumstances.
- Sec. 5. RCW 71.05.230 and 2015 c 250 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

A person detained or committed for seventy-two hour evaluation and treatment or for an outpatient evaluation for the purpose of filing a petition for a less restrictive alternative treatment order may be committed for not more than fourteen additional days of involuntary intensive treatment or ninety additional days of a less restrictive alternative to involuntary intensive treatment. A petition may only be filed if the following conditions are met:

- (1) The professional staff of the agency or facility providing evaluation services has analyzed the person's condition and finds that the condition is caused by mental disorder and results in a likelihood of serious harm, results in the person being gravely disabled, or results in the person being in need of assisted outpatient mental health treatment, and are prepared to testify those conditions are met; and
- (2) The person has been advised of the need for voluntary treatment and the professional staff of the facility has evidence that he or she has not in good faith volunteered; and
- (3) The agency or facility providing intensive treatment or which proposes to supervise the less restrictive alternative is certified to provide such treatment by the department; and
- (4) The professional staff of the agency or facility or the designated mental health professional has filed a petition with the court for a fourteen day involuntary detention or a ninety day less restrictive alternative. The petition must be signed either by:
- (a) Two physicians;
- (b) One physician and a mental health professional;
- (c) ((Two psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioners;)) One physician assistant and a mental health professional; or
- (d) One psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner and a mental health professional((; or
- (e) A physician and a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner)). The persons signing the petition must have examined the person. If involuntary detention is sought the petition shall state facts that support the finding that such person, as a result of mental disorder, presents a likelihood of serious harm, or is gravely disabled and that there are no less restrictive alternatives to detention in the best interest of such person or others. The petition shall state specifically that less restrictive alternative treatment was considered and specify why treatment less restrictive than detention is not appropriate. If an involuntary less restrictive alternative

- is sought, the petition shall state facts that support the finding that such person, as a result of mental disorder, presents a likelihood of serious harm, is gravely disabled, or is in need of assisted outpatient mental health treatment, and shall set forth a plan for the less restrictive alternative treatment proposed by the facility in accordance with RCW 71.05.585; and
- (5) A copy of the petition has been served on the detained or committed person, his or her attorney and his or her guardian or conservator, if any, prior to the probable cause hearing; and
- (6) The court at the time the petition was filed and before the probable cause hearing has appointed counsel to represent such person if no other counsel has appeared; and
- (7) The petition reflects that the person was informed of the loss of firearm rights if involuntarily committed; and (8) At the conclusion of the initial commitment period, the professional staff of the agency or facility or the designated mental health professional may petition for an additional period of either ninety days of less restrictive alternative treatment or ninety days of involuntary intensive treatment as provided in RCW 71.05.290; and
- (9) If the hospital or facility designated to provide less restrictive alternative treatment is other than the facility providing involuntary treatment, the outpatient facility so designated to provide less restrictive alternative treatment has agreed to assume such responsibility.
- Sec. 6. RCW 71.05.290 and 2015 c 250 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) At any time during a person's fourteen day intensive treatment period, the professional person in charge of a treatment facility or his or her professional designee or the designated mental health professional may petition the superior court for an order requiring such person to undergo an additional period of treatment. Such petition must be based on one or more of the grounds set forth in RCW 71.05.280.
- (2) The petition shall summarize the facts which support the need for further commitment and shall be supported by affidavits based on an examination of the patient and signed by:
- (a) Two ((examining)) physicians;
- (b) One ((examining)) physician and ((examining)) a mental health professional;
- (c) ((Two psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioners;)) One physician assistant and a mental health professional; or
- (d) One psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner and a mental health professional((; or
- (e) An examining physician and an examining psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner)). The affidavits shall describe in detail the behavior of the detained person which supports the petition and shall explain what, if any, less restrictive treatments which are alternatives to detention are available to such person, and shall state the willingness of the affiant to testify to such facts in subsequent judicial proceedings under this chapter. If less restrictive alternative treatment is sought, the petition shall set forth a proposed plan for less

- restrictive alternative treatment in accordance with RCW 71.05.585.
- (3) If a person has been determined to be incompetent pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4), then the professional person in charge of the treatment facility or his or her professional designee or the designated mental health professional may directly file a petition for one hundred eighty day treatment under RCW 71.05.280(3). No petition for initial detention or fourteen day detention is required before such a petition may be filed.
- Sec. 7. RCW 71.05.300 and 2014 c 225 s 84 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The petition for ninety day treatment shall be filed with the clerk of the superior court at least three days before expiration of the fourteen-day period of intensive treatment. At the time of filing such petition, the clerk shall set a time for the person to come before the court on the next judicial day after the day of filing unless such appearance is waived by the person's attorney, and the clerk shall notify the designated mental health professional. The designated mental health professional shall immediately notify the person detained, his or her attorney, if any, and his or her guardian or conservator, if any, the prosecuting attorney, and the behavioral health organization administrator, and provide a copy of the petition to such persons as soon as possible. The behavioral health organization administrator or designee may review the petition and may appear and testify at the full hearing on the petition.
- (2) At the time set for appearance the detained person shall be brought before the court, unless such appearance has been waived and the court shall advise him or her of his or her right to be represented by an attorney, his or her right to a jury trial, and his or her loss of firearm rights if involuntarily committed. If the detained person is not represented by an attorney, or is indigent or is unwilling to retain an attorney, the court shall immediately appoint an attorney to represent him or her. The court shall, if requested, appoint a reasonably available licensed physician, physician assistant, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, psychologist, or psychiatrist, designated by the detained person to examine and testify on behalf of the detained person
- (3) The court may, if requested, also appoint a professional person as defined in RCW 71.05.020 to seek less restrictive alternative courses of treatment and to testify on behalf of the detained person. In the case of a person with a developmental disability who has been determined to be incompetent pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4), then the appointed professional person under this section shall be a developmental disabilities professional.
- (4) The court shall also set a date for a full hearing on the petition as provided in RCW 71.05.310.
- Sec. 8. RCW 71.05.360 and 2009 c 217 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) Every person involuntarily detained or committed under the provisions of this chapter shall be entitled to all the rights set forth in this chapter, which shall be prominently posted in the facility, and shall retain all rights not denied him or her under this chapter except as

- chapter 9.41 RCW may limit the right of a person to purchase or possess a firearm or to qualify for a concealed pistol license.
- (b) No person shall be presumed incompetent as a consequence of receiving an evaluation or voluntary or involuntary treatment for a mental disorder, under this chapter or any prior laws of this state dealing with mental illness. Competency shall not be determined or withdrawn except under the provisions of chapter 10.77 or 11.88 RCW.
- (c) Any person who leaves a public or private agency following evaluation or treatment for mental disorder shall be given a written statement setting forth the substance of this section.
- (2) Each person involuntarily detained or committed pursuant to this chapter shall have the right to adequate care and individualized treatment.
- (3) The provisions of this chapter shall not be construed to deny to any person treatment by spiritual means through prayer in accordance with the tenets and practices of a church or religious denomination.
- (4) Persons receiving evaluation or treatment under this chapter shall be given a reasonable choice of an available physician, physician assistant, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or other professional person qualified to provide such services.
- (5) Whenever any person is detained for evaluation and treatment pursuant to this chapter, both the person and, if possible, a responsible member of his or her immediate family, personal representative, guardian, or conservator, if any, shall be advised as soon as possible in writing or orally, by the officer or person taking him or her into custody or by personnel of the evaluation and treatment facility where the person is detained that unless the person is released or voluntarily admits himself or herself for treatment within seventy-two hours of the initial detention:
- (a) A judicial hearing in a superior court, either by a judge or court commissioner thereof, shall be held not more than seventy-two hours after the initial detention to determine whether there is probable cause to detain the person after the seventy-two hours have expired for up to an additional fourteen days without further automatic hearing for the reason that the person is a person whose mental disorder presents a likelihood of serious harm or that the person is gravely disabled;
- (b) The person has a right to communicate immediately with an attorney; has a right to have an attorney appointed to represent him or her before and at the probable cause hearing if he or she is indigent; and has the right to be told the name and address of the attorney that the mental health professional has designated pursuant to this chapter;
- (c) The person has the right to remain silent and that any statement he or she makes may be used against him or her;
- (d) The person has the right to present evidence and to cross-examine witnesses who testify against him or her at the probable cause hearing; and
- (e) The person has the right to refuse psychiatric medications, including antipsychotic medication

- beginning twenty-four hours prior to the probable cause hearing.
- (6) When proceedings are initiated under RCW 71.05.153, no later than twelve hours after such person is admitted to the evaluation and treatment facility the personnel of the evaluation and treatment facility or the designated mental health professional shall serve on such person a copy of the petition for initial detention and the name, business address, and phone number of the designated attorney and shall forthwith commence service of a copy of the petition for initial detention on the designated attorney.
- (7) The judicial hearing described in subsection (5) of this section is hereby authorized, and shall be held according to the provisions of subsection (5) of this section and rules promulgated by the supreme court.
- (8) At the probable cause hearing the detained person shall have the following rights in addition to the rights previously specified:
- (a) To present evidence on his or her behalf;
- (b) To cross-examine witnesses who testify against him or her;
- (c) To be proceeded against by the rules of evidence;
- (d) To remain silent;
- (e) To view and copy all petitions and reports in the court file
- (9) Privileges between patients and physicians, physician assistants, psychologists, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioners are deemed waived in proceedings under this chapter relating to the administration of antipsychotic medications. As to other proceedings under this chapter, the privileges shall be waived when a court of competent jurisdiction in its discretion determines that such waiver is necessary to protect either the detained person or the public.
- The waiver of a privilege under this section is limited to records or testimony relevant to evaluation of the detained person for purposes of a proceeding under this chapter. Upon motion by the detained person or on its own motion, the court shall examine a record or testimony sought by a petitioner to determine whether it is within the scope of the waiver.
- The record maker shall not be required to testify in order to introduce medical or psychological records of the detained person so long as the requirements of RCW 5.45.020 are met except that portions of the record which contain opinions as to the detained person's mental state must be deleted from such records unless the person making such conclusions is available for cross-examination.
- (10) Insofar as danger to the person or others is not created, each person involuntarily detained, treated in a less restrictive alternative course of treatment, or committed for treatment and evaluation pursuant to this chapter shall have, in addition to other rights not specifically withheld by law, the following rights:
- (a) To wear his or her own clothes and to keep and use his or her own personal possessions, except when deprivation of same is essential to protect the safety of the resident or other persons;

- (b) To keep and be allowed to spend a reasonable sum of his or her own money for canteen expenses and small purchases:
- (c) To have access to individual storage space for his or her private use;
- (d) To have visitors at reasonable times;
- (e) To have reasonable access to a telephone, both to make and receive confidential calls, consistent with an effective treatment program;
- (f) To have ready access to letter writing materials, including stamps, and to send and receive uncensored correspondence through the mails;
- (g) To discuss treatment plans and decisions with professional persons;
- (h) Not to consent to the administration of antipsychotic medications and not to thereafter be administered antipsychotic medications unless ordered by a court under RCW 71.05.217 or pursuant to an administrative hearing under RCW 71.05.215;
- (i) Not to consent to the performance of electroconvulsant therapy or surgery, except emergency lifesaving surgery, unless ordered by a court under RCW 71.05.217:
- (j) Not to have psychosurgery performed on him or her under any circumstances;
- (k) To dispose of property and sign contracts unless such person has been adjudicated an incompetent in a court proceeding directed to that particular issue.
- (11) Every person involuntarily detained shall immediately be informed of his or her right to a hearing to review the legality of his or her detention and of his or her right to counsel, by the professional person in charge of the facility providing evaluation and treatment, or his or her designee, and, when appropriate, by the court. If the person so elects, the court shall immediately appoint an attorney to assist him or her.
- (12) A person challenging his or her detention or his or her attorney shall have the right to designate and have the court appoint a reasonably available independent physician, physician assistant, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or licensed mental health professional to examine the person detained, the results of which examination may be used in the proceeding. The person shall, if he or she is financially able, bear the cost of such expert examination, otherwise such expert examination shall be at public expense.
- (13) Nothing contained in this chapter shall prohibit the patient from petitioning by writ of habeas corpus for release.
- (14) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a person committed on or prior to January 1, 1974, from exercising a right available to him or her at or prior to January 1, 1974, for obtaining release from confinement.
- (15) Nothing in this section permits any person to knowingly violate a no-contact order or a condition of an active judgment and sentence or an active condition of supervision by the department of corrections.
- Sec. 9. RCW 71.05.660 and 2013 c 200 s 21 are each amended to read as follows:

Nothing in this chapter or chapter 70.02, 70.96A, 71.34, or 70.96B RCW shall be construed to interfere with communications between physicians, physician

assistants, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioners, or psychologists and patients and attorneys and clients.

Sec. 10. RCW 71.06.040 and 2009 c 217 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:

At a preliminary hearing upon the charge of sexual psychopathy, the court may require the testimony of two duly licensed physicians, physician assistants, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioners who have examined the defendant. If the court finds that there are reasonable grounds to believe the defendant is a sexual psychopath, the court shall order said defendant confined at the nearest state hospital for observation as to the existence of sexual psychopathy. Such observation shall be for a period of not to exceed ninety days. The defendant shall be detained in the county jail or other county facilities pending execution of such observation order by the department.

Sec. 11. RCW 71.12.540 and 2009 c 217 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

The authorities of each establishment as defined in this chapter shall place on file in the office of the establishment the recommendations made by the department of health as a result of such visits, for the purpose of consultation by such authorities, and for reference by the department representatives upon their visits. Every such establishment shall keep records of every person admitted thereto as follows and shall furnish to the department, when required, the following data: Name, age, sex, marital status, date of admission, voluntary or other commitment, name of physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, diagnosis, and date of discharge.

Sec. 12. RCW 71.24.025 and 2014 c 225 s 10 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter. (1) "Acutely mentally ill" means a condition which is limited to a short-term severe crisis episode of:

- (a) A mental disorder as defined in RCW 71.05.020 or, in the case of a child, as defined in RCW 71.34.020;
- (b) Being gravely disabled as defined in RCW 71.05.020 or, in the case of a child, a gravely disabled minor as defined in RCW 71.34.020; or
- (c) Presenting a likelihood of serious harm as defined in RCW 71.05.020 or, in the case of a child, as defined in RCW 71.34.020.
- (2) "Available resources" means funds appropriated for the purpose of providing community mental health programs, federal funds, except those provided according to Title XIX of the Social Security Act, and state funds appropriated under this chapter or chapter 71.05 RCW by the legislature during any biennium for the purpose of providing residential services, resource management services, community support services, and other mental health services. This does not include funds appropriated for the purpose of operating and administering the state psychiatric hospitals.
- (3) "Behavioral health organization" means any county authority or group of county authorities or other entity recognized by the secretary in contract in a defined region.

- (4) "Behavioral health services" means mental health services as described in this chapter and chapter 71.36 RCW and chemical dependency treatment services as described in chapter 70.96A RCW.
- (5) "Child" means a person under the age of eighteen years.
- (6) "Chronically mentally ill adult" or "adult who is chronically mentally ill" means an adult who has a mental disorder and meets at least one of the following criteria:
- (a) Has undergone two or more episodes of hospital care for a mental disorder within the preceding two years; or
- (b) Has experienced a continuous psychiatric hospitalization or residential treatment exceeding six months' duration within the preceding year; or
- (c) Has been unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any mental disorder which has lasted for a continuous period of not less than twelve months. "Substantial gainful activity" shall be defined by the department by rule consistent with Public Law 92-603, as amended.
- (7) "Clubhouse" means a community-based program that provides rehabilitation services and is certified by the department of social and health services.
- (8) "Community mental health program" means all mental health services, activities, or programs using available resources.
- (9) "Community mental health service delivery system" means public, private, or tribal agencies that provide services specifically to persons with mental disorders as defined under RCW 71.05.020 and receive funding from public sources.
- (10) "Community support services" means services authorized, planned, and coordinated through resource management services including, at a minimum, assessment, diagnosis, emergency crisis intervention available twenty-four hours, seven days a week, prescreening determinations for persons who are mentally ill being considered for placement in nursing homes as required by federal law, screening for patients being considered for admission to residential services. diagnosis and treatment for children who are acutely mentally ill or severely emotionally disturbed discovered under screening through the federal Title XIX early and periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment program, investigation, legal, and other nonresidential services under chapter 71.05 RCW, case management services, psychiatric treatment including medication supervision, counseling, psychotherapy, assuring transfer of relevant patient information between service providers, recovery services, and other services determined by behavioral health organizations.
- (11) "Consensus-based" means a program or practice that has general support among treatment providers and experts, based on experience or professional literature, and may have anecdotal or case study support, or that is agreed but not possible to perform studies with random assignment and controlled groups.
- (12) "County authority" means the board of county commissioners, county council, or county executive having authority to establish a community mental health program, or two or more of the county authorities

- specified in this subsection which have entered into an agreement to provide a community mental health program.
- (13) "Department" means the department of social and health services.
- (14) "Designated mental health professional" means a mental health professional designated by the county or other authority authorized in rule to perform the duties specified in this chapter.
- (15) "Emerging best practice" or "promising practice" means a program or practice that, based on statistical analyses or a well established theory of change, shows potential for meeting the evidence-based or research-based criteria, which may include the use of a program that is evidence-based for outcomes other than those listed in subsection (16) of this section.
- (16) "Evidence-based" means a program or practice that has been tested in heterogeneous or intended populations with multiple randomized, or statistically controlled evaluations, or both; or one large multiple site randomized, or statistically controlled evaluation, or both, where the weight of the evidence from a systemic review demonstrates sustained improvements in at least one outcome. "Evidence-based" also means a program or practice that can be implemented with a set of procedures to allow successful replication in Washington and, when possible, is determined to be cost-beneficial.
- (17) "Licensed service provider" means an entity licensed according to this chapter or chapter 71.05 or 70.96A RCW or an entity deemed to meet state minimum standards as a result of accreditation by a recognized behavioral health accrediting body recognized and having a current agreement with the department, or tribal attestation that meets state minimum standards, or persons licensed under chapter 18.57, 18.57A, 18.71, 18.71A, 18.83, or 18.79 RCW, as it applies to registered nurses and advanced registered nurse practitioners.
- (18) "Long-term inpatient care" means inpatient services for persons committed for, or voluntarily receiving intensive treatment for, periods of ninety days or greater under chapter 71.05 RCW. "Long-term inpatient care" as used in this chapter does not include: (a) Services for individuals committed under chapter 71.05 RCW who are receiving services pursuant to a conditional release or a court-ordered less restrictive alternative to detention; or (b) services for individuals voluntarily receiving less restrictive alternative treatment on the grounds of the state hospital.
- (19) "Mental health services" means all services provided by behavioral health organizations and other services provided by the state for persons who are mentally ill.
- (20) "Mentally ill persons," "persons who are mentally ill," and "the mentally ill" mean persons and conditions defined in subsections (1), (6), (28), and (29) of this section
- (21) "Recovery" means the process in which people are able to live, work, learn, and participate fully in their communities.

- (22) "Registration records" include all the records of the department, behavioral health organizations, treatment facilities, and other persons providing services to the department, county departments, or facilities which identify persons who are receiving or who at any time have received services for mental illness.
- (23) "Research-based" means a program or practice that has been tested with a single randomized, or statistically controlled evaluation, or both, demonstrating sustained desirable outcomes; or where the weight of the evidence from a systemic review supports sustained outcomes as described in subsection (16) of this section but does not meet the full criteria for evidence-based.
- (24) "Residential services" means a complete range of residences and supports authorized by resource management services and which may involve a facility, a distinct part thereof, or services which support community living, for persons who are acutely mentally ill, adults who are chronically mentally ill, children who are severely emotionally disturbed, or adults who are seriously disturbed and determined by the behavioral health organization to be at risk of becoming acutely or chronically mentally ill. The services shall include at least evaluation and treatment services as defined in chapter 71.05 RCW, acute crisis respite care, long-term adaptive and rehabilitative care, and supervised and supported living services, and shall also include any residential services developed to service persons who are mentally ill in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and adult family homes, and may include outpatient services provided as an element in a package of services in a supported housing model. Residential services for children in out-of-home placements related to their mental disorder shall not include the costs of food and shelter, except for children's long-term residential facilities existing prior to January 1, 1991.
- (25) "Resilience" means the personal and community qualities that enable individuals to rebound from adversity, trauma, tragedy, threats, or other stresses, and to live productive lives.
- (26) "Resource management services" mean the planning, coordination, and authorization of residential services and community support services administered pursuant to an individual service plan for: (a) Adults and children who are acutely mentally ill; (b) adults who are chronically mentally ill; (c) children who are severely emotionally disturbed; or (d) adults who are seriously disturbed and determined solely by a behavioral health organization to be at risk of becoming acutely or chronically mentally ill. Such planning, coordination, and authorization shall include mental health screening for children eligible under the federal Title XIX early and periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment program. Resource management services include seven day a week, twenty-four hour a day availability of information regarding enrollment of adults and children who are mentally ill in services and their individual service plan to designated mental health professionals, evaluation and treatment facilities, and others as determined by the behavioral health organization.
- (27) "Secretary" means the secretary of social and health services.

- (28) "Seriously disturbed person" means a person who: (a) Is gravely disabled or presents a likelihood of serious harm to himself or herself or others, or to the property of others, as a result of a mental disorder as defined in chapter 71.05 RCW;
- (b) Has been on conditional release status, or under a less restrictive alternative order, at some time during the preceding two years from an evaluation and treatment facility or a state mental health hospital;
- (c) Has a mental disorder which causes major impairment in several areas of daily living;
- (d) Exhibits suicidal preoccupation or attempts; or
- (e) Is a child diagnosed by a mental health professional, as defined in chapter 71.34 RCW, as experiencing a mental disorder which is clearly interfering with the child's functioning in family or school or with peers or is clearly interfering with the child's personality development and learning.
- (29) "Severely emotionally disturbed child" or "child who is severely emotionally disturbed" means a child who has been determined by the behavioral health organization to be experiencing a mental disorder as defined in chapter 71.34 RCW, including those mental disorders that result in a behavioral or conduct disorder, that is clearly interfering with the child's functioning in family or school or with peers and who meets at least one of the following criteria:
- (a) Has undergone inpatient treatment or placement outside of the home related to a mental disorder within the last two years;
- (b) Has undergone involuntary treatment under chapter 71.34 RCW within the last two years;
- (c) Is currently served by at least one of the following child-serving systems: Juvenile justice, child-protection/welfare, special education, or developmental disabilities:
- (d) Is at risk of escalating maladjustment due to:
- (i) Chronic family dysfunction involving a caretaker who is mentally ill or inadequate;
- (ii) Changes in custodial adult:
- (iii) Going to, residing in, or returning from any placement outside of the home, for example, psychiatric hospital, short-term inpatient, residential treatment, group or foster home, or a correctional facility;
- (iv) Subject to repeated physical abuse or neglect;
- (v) Drug or alcohol abuse; or
- (vi) Homelessness.
- (30) "State minimum standards" means minimum requirements established by rules adopted by the secretary and necessary to implement this chapter for: (a) Delivery of mental health services; (b) licensed service providers for the provision of mental health services; (c) residential services; and (d) community support services and resource management services.
- (31) "Treatment records" include registration and all other records concerning persons who are receiving or who at any time have received services for mental illness, which are maintained by the department, by behavioral health organizations and their staffs, and by treatment facilities. Treatment records do not include notes or records maintained for personal use by a person providing treatment services for the department,

- behavioral health organizations, or a treatment facility if the notes or records are not available to others.
- (32) "Tribal authority," for the purposes of this section and RCW 71.24.300 only, means: The federally recognized Indian tribes and the major Indian organizations recognized by the secretary insofar as these organizations do not have a financial relationship with any behavioral health organization that would present a conflict of interest.
- Sec. 13. RCW 71.32.110 and 2003 c 283 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) For the purposes of this chapter, a principal, agent, professional person, or health care provider may seek a determination whether the principal is incapacitated or has regained capacity.
- (2)(a) For the purposes of this chapter, no adult may be declared an incapacitated person except by:
- (i) A court, if the request is made by the principal or the principal's agent;
- (ii) One mental health professional and one health care provider; or
- (iii) Two health care providers.
- (b) One of the persons making the determination under (a)(ii) or (iii) of this subsection must be a psychiatrist, physician assistant working with a supervising psychiatrist, psychologist, or a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner.
- (3) When a professional person or health care provider requests a capacity determination, he or she shall promptly inform the principal that:
- (a) A request for capacity determination has been made; and
- (b) The principal may request that the determination be made by a court.
- (4) At least one mental health professional or health care provider must personally examine the principal prior to making a capacity determination.
- (5)(a) When a court makes a determination whether a principal has capacity, the court shall, at a minimum, be informed by the testimony of one mental health professional familiar with the principal and shall, except for good cause, give the principal an opportunity to appear in court prior to the court making its determination.
- (b) To the extent that local court rules permit, any party or witness may testify telephonically.
- (6) When a court has made a determination regarding a principal's capacity and there is a subsequent change in the principal's condition, subsequent determinations whether the principal is incapacitated may be made in accordance with any of the provisions of subsection (2) of this section.
- Sec. 14. RCW 71.32.140 and 2009 c 217 s 12 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A principal who:
- (a) Chose not to be able to revoke his or her directive during any period of incapacity;
- (b) Consented to voluntary admission to inpatient mental health treatment, or authorized an agent to consent on the principal's behalf; and
- (c) At the time of admission to inpatient treatment, refuses to be admitted,

- may only be admitted into inpatient mental health treatment under subsection (2) of this section.
- (2) A principal may only be admitted to inpatient mental health treatment under his or her directive if, prior to admission, a member of the treating facility's professional staff who is a physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner:
- (a) Evaluates the principal's mental condition, including a review of reasonably available psychiatric and psychological history, diagnosis, and treatment needs, and determines, in conjunction with another health care provider or mental health professional, that the principal is incapacitated;
- (b) Obtains the informed consent of the agent, if any, designated in the directive;
- (c) Makes a written determination that the principal needs an inpatient evaluation or is in need of inpatient treatment and that the evaluation or treatment cannot be accomplished in a less restrictive setting; and
- (d) Documents in the principal's medical record a summary of the physician's, physician assistant's, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner's findings and recommendations for treatment or evaluation.
- (3) In the event the admitting physician is not a psychiatrist, the admitting physician assistant is not supervised by a psychiatrist, or the advanced registered nurse practitioner is not a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, the principal shall receive a complete psychological assessment by a mental health professional within twenty-four hours of admission to determine the continued need for inpatient evaluation or treatment.
- (4)(a) If it is determined that the principal has capacity, then the principal may only be admitted to, or remain in, inpatient treatment if he or she consents at the time or is detained under the involuntary treatment provisions of chapter 70.96A, 71.05, or 71.34 RCW.
- (b) If a principal who is determined by two health care providers or one mental health professional and one health care provider to be incapacitated continues to refuse inpatient treatment, the principal may immediately seek injunctive relief for release from the facility.
- (5) If, at the end of the period of time that the principal or the principal's agent, if any, has consented to voluntary inpatient treatment, but no more than fourteen days after admission, the principal has not regained capacity or has regained capacity but refuses to consent to remain for additional treatment, the principal must be released during reasonable daylight hours, unless detained under chapter 70.96A, 71.05, or 71.34 RCW.
- (6)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, any principal who is voluntarily admitted to inpatient mental health treatment under this chapter shall have all the rights provided to individuals who are voluntarily admitted to inpatient treatment under chapter 71.05, 71.34, or 72.23 RCW.
- (b) Notwithstanding RCW 71.05.050 regarding consent to inpatient treatment for a specified length of time, the choices an incapacitated principal expressed in his or her directive shall control, provided, however, that a

principal who takes action demonstrating a desire to be discharged, in addition to making statements requesting to be discharged, shall be discharged, and no principal shall be restrained in any way in order to prevent his or her discharge. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent detention and evaluation for civil commitment under chapter 71.05 RCW.

- (7) Consent to inpatient admission in a directive is effective only while the professional person, health care provider, and health care facility are in substantial compliance with the material provisions of the directive related to inpatient treatment.
- Sec. 15. RCW 71.32.250 and 2009 c 217 s 13 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) If a principal who is a resident of a long-term care facility is admitted to inpatient mental health treatment pursuant to his or her directive, the principal shall be allowed to be readmitted to the same long-term care facility as if his or her inpatient admission had been for a physical condition on the same basis that the principal would be readmitted under state or federal statute or rule when:
- (a) The treating facility's professional staff determine that inpatient mental health treatment is no longer medically necessary for the resident. The determination shall be made in writing by a psychiatrist, physician assistant working with a supervising psychiatrist, or a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or ((a mental health professional and either (i) a physician or (ii) psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner)) (i) one physician and a mental health professional; (ii) one physician assistant and a mental health professional; or (iii) one psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner and a mental health professional; or
- (b) The person's consent to admission in his or her directive has expired.
- (2)(a) If the long-term care facility does not have a bed available at the time of discharge, the treating facility may discharge the resident, in consultation with the resident and agent if any, and in accordance with a medically appropriate discharge plan, to another long-term care facility.
- (b) This section shall apply to inpatient mental health treatment admission of long-term care facility residents, regardless of whether the admission is directly from a facility, hospital emergency room, or other location.
- (c) This section does not restrict the right of the resident to an earlier release from the inpatient treatment facility. This section does not restrict the right of a long-term care facility to initiate transfer or discharge of a resident who is readmitted pursuant to this section, provided that the facility has complied with the laws governing the transfer or discharge of a resident.
- (3) The joint legislative audit and review committee shall conduct an evaluation of the operation and impact of this section. The committee shall report its findings to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2004.
- Sec. 16. RCW 71.32.260 and 2009 c 217 s 14 are each amended to read as follows:

The directive shall be in substantially the following form:

Mental Health Advance Directive NOTICE TO PERSONS

CREATING A MENTAL HEALTH ADVANCE DIRECTIVE

This is an important legal document. It creates an advance directive for mental health treatment. Before signing this document you should know these important facts:

(1) This document is called an advance directive and allows you to make decisions in advance about your mental health treatment, including medications, short-term admission to inpatient treatment and electroconvulsive therapy.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO FILL OUT OR SIGN THIS FORM.

IF YOU DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM, IT WILL NOT TAKE EFFECT.

If you choose to complete and sign this document, you may still decide to leave some items blank.

- (2) You have the right to appoint a person as your agent to make treatment decisions for you. You must notify your agent that you have appointed him or her as an agent. The person you appoint has a duty to act consistently with your wishes made known by you. If your agent does not know what your wishes are, he or she has a duty to act in your best interest. Your agent has the right to withdraw from the appointment at any time
- (3) The instructions you include with this advance directive and the authority you give your agent to act will only become effective under the conditions you select in this document. You may choose to limit this directive and your agent's authority to times when you are incapacitated or to times when you are exhibiting symptoms or behavior that you specify. You may also make this directive effective immediately. No matter when you choose to make this directive effective, your treatment providers must still seek your informed consent at all times that you have capacity to give informed consent.
- (4) You have the right to revoke this document in writing at any time you have capacity.

YOU MAY NOT REVOKE THIS DIRECTIVE WHEN YOU HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE

INCAPACITATED UNLESS YOU HAVE SPECIFICALLY STATED IN THIS DIRECTIVE THAT

YOU WANT IT TO BE REVOCABLE WHEN YOU ARE INCAPACITATED.

- (5) This directive will stay in effect until you revoke it unless you specify an expiration date. If you specify an expiration date and you are incapacitated at the time it expires, it will remain in effect until you have capacity to make treatment decisions again unless you chose to be able to revoke it while you are incapacitated and you revoke the directive.
- (6) You cannot use your advance directive to consent to civil commitment. The procedures that apply to your advance directive are different than those provided for in the Involuntary Treatment Act. Involuntary treatment is a different process.

- (7) If there is anything in this directive that you do not understand, you should ask a lawyer to explain it to you.
- (8) You should be aware that there are some circumstances where your provider may not have to follow your directive.
- (9) You should discuss any treatment decisions in your directive with your provider.
- (10) You may ask the court to rule on the validity of your directive.

#### PART I.

# STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CREATE A MENTAL HEALTH ADVANCE DIRECTIVE

I, ...... being a person with capacity, willfully and voluntarily execute this mental health advance directive so that my choices regarding my mental health care will be carried out in circumstances when I am unable to express my instructions and preferences regarding my mental health care. If a guardian is appointed by a court to make mental health decisions for me, I intend this document to take precedence over all other means of ascertaining my intent.

The fact that I may have left blanks in this directive does not affect its validity in any way. I intend that all completed sections be followed. If I have not expressed a choice, my agent should make the decision that he or she determines is in my best interest. I intend this directive to take precedence over any other directives I have previously executed, to the extent that they are inconsistent with this document, or unless I expressly state otherwise in either document.

I understand that I may revoke this directive in whole or in part if I am a person with capacity. I understand that I cannot revoke this directive if a court, two health care providers, or one mental health professional and one health care provider find that I am an incapacitated person, unless, when I executed this directive, I chose to be able to revoke this directive while incapacitated.

I understand that, except as otherwise provided in law, revocation must be in writing. I understand that nothing in this directive, or in my refusal of treatment to which I consent in this directive, authorizes any health care provider, professional person, health care facility, or agent appointed in this directive to use or threaten to use abuse, neglect, financial exploitation, or abandonment to carry out my directive.

I understand that there are some circumstances where my provider may not have to follow my directive. PART II.

### WHEN THIS DIRECTIVE IS EFFECTIVE

YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR YOUR DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.

I intend that this directive become effective (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):

. . . . . Immediately upon my signing of this directive.

..... If I become incapacitated.

..... When the following circumstances, symptoms, or behaviors occur:

PART III. DURATION OF THIS DIRECTIVE YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR YOUR DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.

I want this directive to (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):

...... Remain valid and in effect for an indefinite period of time.

...... Automatically expire ...... years from the date it was created.

PART IV.

WHEN I MAY REVOKE THIS DIRECTIVE

YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR THIS DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.

I intend that I be able to revoke this directive (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):

. . . . . Only when I have capacity.

I understand that choosing this option means I may only revoke this directive if I have capacity. I further understand that if I choose this option and become incapacitated while this directive is in effect, I may receive treatment that I specify in this directive, even if I object at the time.

. . . . . Even if I am incapacitated.

I understand that choosing this option means that I may revoke this directive even if I am incapacitated. I further understand that if I choose this option and revoke this directive while I am incapacitated I may not receive treatment that I specify in this directive, even if I want the treatment.

PART V.

PREFERENCES AND INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT TREATMENT, FACILITIES, AND PHYSICIANS OR PSYCHIATRIC ADVANCED REGISTERED NURSE PRACTITIONERS

A. Preferences and Instructions About Physician(s), Physician Assistant(s), or Psychiatric Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner(s) to be Involved in My Treatment

I would like the physician(s), physician assistant(s), or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner(s) named below to be involved in my treatment decisions:

Dr., PA-C, or PARNP	 	 	 	 Contact
information:				

Dr., PA-C, or PARNP . . . . . Contact information:

I do not wish to be treated by Dr. or PARNP

B. Preferences and Instructions About Other Providers I am receiving other treatment or care from providers who I feel have an impact on my mental health care. I would like the following treatment provider(s) to be contacted when this directive is effective:

Name	Profession
Contac	et information
Name	Profession
Contac	ct information

C. Preferences and Instructions About Medications for Psychiatric Treatment (initial and complete all that apply)

..... I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the following medications:

. . . . . I do not consent, and I do not authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of the following medications: . . . . . I am willing to take the medications excluded above if my only reason for excluding them is the side effects which include and these side effects can be eliminated by dosage adjustment or other means . . . . . . I am willing to try any other medication the hospital doctor, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner recommends . . . . . I am willing to try any other medications my outpatient doctor, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner recommends . . . . . I do not want to try any other medications. Medication Allergies I have allergies to, or severe side effects from, the following: Other Medication Preferences or Instructions . . . . . I have the following other preferences or instructions about medications D. Preferences and Instructions About Hospitalization and Alternatives (initial all that apply and, if desired, rank "1" for first choice, "2" for second choice, and so on) . . . . . In the event my psychiatric condition is serious enough to require 24-hour care and I have no physical conditions that require immediate access to emergency medical care, I prefer to receive this care in programs/facilities designed as alternatives to psychiatric hospitalizations. . . . . . I would also like the interventions below to be tried before hospitalization is considered: ..... Calling someone or having someone call me when needed. Name: Telephone: ..... Staying overnight with someone Telephone: Name: ..... Having a mental health service provider come to see me ..... Going to a crisis triage center or emergency room ..... Staying overnight at a crisis respite (temporary) bed . . . . . Seeing a service provider for help with psychiatric medications . . . . . Other, specify: Authority to Consent to Inpatient Treatment I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to voluntary admission to inpatient mental health treatment for . . . . . days (not to exceed 14 days) (Sign one): ..... If deemed appropriate by my agent (if appointed) and treating physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner (Signature)

. . . . . . Under the following circumstances (specify

symptoms, behaviors, or circumstances that indicate the

need for hospitalization)

## (Signature)

. . . . . I do not consent, or authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to inpatient treatment

#### (Signature)

Hospital Preferences and Instructions

If hospitalization is required, I prefer the following hospitals:

I do not consent to be admitted to the following hospitals:

E. Preferences and Instructions About Preemergency I would like the interventions below to be tried before use of seclusion or restraint is considered (initial all that apply):

. . . . . "Talk me down" one-on-one

 $\ldots \ldots More\ medication$ 

. . . . . Time out/privacy

. . . . . Show of authority/force

. . . . . Shift my attention to something else

. . . . . Set firm limits on my behavior

. . . . . Help me to discuss/vent feelings

. . . . . Decrease stimulation

 $\ldots\ldots$  . Offer to have neutral person settle dispute

. . . . . Other, specify

F. Preferences and Instructions About Seclusion, Restraint, and Emergency Medications

If it is determined that I am engaging in behavior that requires seclusion, physical restraint, and/or emergency use of medication, I prefer these interventions in the order I have chosen (choose "1" for first choice, "2" for second choice, and so on):

..... Seclusion

. . . . . Seclusion and physical restraint (combined)

. . . . . Medication by injection

. . . . . Medication in pill or liquid form

In the event that my attending physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner decides to use medication in response to an emergency situation after due consideration of my preferences and instructions for emergency treatments stated above, I expect the choice of medication to reflect any preferences and instructions I have expressed in Part III C of this form. The preferences and instructions I express in this section regarding medication in emergency situations do not constitute consent to use of the medication for nonemergency treatment.

G. Preferences and Instructions About Electroconvulsive Therapy

(ECT or Shock Therapy)

My wishes regarding electroconvulsive therapy are (sign one):

. . . . . . I do not consent, nor authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive therapy

#### (Signature)

..... I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive therapy

# (Signature)

..... I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive therapy, but only under the following conditions:

(Signature)

H. Preferences and Instructions About Who is Permitted to Visit

If I have been admitted to a mental health treatment facility, the following people are not permitted to visit me there:

Name:

Name:

Name:

I understand that persons not listed above may be permitted to visit me.

I. Additional Instructions About My Mental Health Care Other instructions about my mental health care:

In case of emergency, please contact:

Name: Address:

Work telephone: Home telephone:

Physician, Physician Assistant, or Psychiatric Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner:

Address:

Telephone:

The following may help me to avoid a hospitalization:

I generally react to being hospitalized as follows:

Staff of the hospital or crisis unit can help me by doing the following:

### J. Refusal of Treatment

I do not consent to any mental health treatment.

(Signature)

PART VI.

DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY (APPOINTMENT OF MY AGENT)

(Fill out this part only if you wish to appoint an agent or nominate a guardian.)

I authorize an agent to make mental health treatment decisions on my behalf. The authority granted to my agent includes the right to consent, refuse consent, or withdraw consent to any mental health care, treatment, service, or procedure, consistent with any instructions and/or limitations I have set forth in this directive. I intend that those decisions should be made in accordance with my expressed wishes as set forth in this document. If I have not expressed a choice in this document and my agent does not otherwise know my wishes, I authorize my agent to make the decision that my agent determines is in my best interest. This agency shall not be affected by my incapacity. Unless I state otherwise in this durable power of attorney, I may revoke it unless prohibited by other state law.

A. Designation of an Agent

I appoint the following person as my agent to make mental health treatment decisions for me as authorized in this document and request that this person be notified immediately when this directive becomes effective:

Name: Address:

Work telephone: Home telephone:

Relationship:

B. Designation of Alternate Agent

If the person named above is unavailable, unable, or refuses to serve as my agent, or I revoke that person's authority to serve as my agent, I hereby appoint the following person as my alternate agent and request that this person be notified immediately when this directive becomes effective or when my original agent is no longer my agent:

Name: Address:

Work telephone: Home telephone:

Relationship:

C. When My Spouse is My Agent (initial if desired)

..... If my spouse is my agent, that person shall remain my agent even if we become legally separated or our marriage is dissolved, unless there is a court order to the contrary or I have remarried.

D. Limitations on My Agent's Authority

I do not grant my agent the authority to consent on my behalf to the following:

E. Limitations on My Ability to Revoke this Durable Power of Attorney

I choose to limit my ability to revoke this durable power of attorney as follows:

#### F. Preference as to Court-Appointed Guardian

In the event a court appoints a guardian who will make decisions regarding my mental health treatment, I nominate the following person as my guardian:

Name: Address:

Work telephone: Home telephone:

Relationship:

The appointment of a guardian of my estate or my person or any other decision maker shall not give the guardian or decision maker the power to revoke, suspend, or terminate this directive or the powers of my agent, except as authorized by law.

(Signature required if nomination is made)

PART VII.

OTHER DOCUMENTS

(Initial all that apply)

I have executed the following documents that include the power to make decisions regarding health care services for myself:

 $\dots$ . Health care power of attorney (chapter 11.94 RCW)

..... "Living will" (Health care directive; chapter 70.122 RCW)

. . . . . . I have appointed more than one agent. I understand that the most recently appointed agent controls except as stated below:

PART VIII.

# NOTIFICATION OF OTHERS AND CARE OF PERSONAL AFFAIRS

(Fill out this part only if you wish to provide nontreatment instructions.)

I understand the preferences and instructions in this part are NOT the responsibility of my treatment provider and that no treatment provider is required to act on them.

A. Who Should Be Notified

I desire my agent to notify the following individuals as soon as possible when this directive becomes effective:

Name: Address:

Day telephone: Evening telephone:

Name: Address:

Day telephone: Evening telephone:
B. Preferences or Instructions About Personal Affairs
I have the following preferences or instructions about my personal affairs (e.g., care of dependents, pets, household) if I am admitted to a mental health treatment facility:

#### C. Additional Preferences and Instructions:

# PART IX. SIGNATURE

By signing here, I indicate that I understand the purpose and effect of this document and that I am giving my informed consent to the treatments and/or admission to which I have consented or authorized my agent to consent in this directive. I intend that my consent in this directive be construed as being consistent with the elements of informed consent under chapter 7.70 RCW. Signature:

Printed Name:

This directive was signed and declared by the "Principal," to be his or her directive, in our presence who, at his or her request, have signed our names below as witnesses. We declare that, at the time of the creation of this instrument, the Principal is personally known to us, and, according to our best knowledge and belief, has capacity at this time and does not appear to be acting under duress, undue influence, or fraud. We further declare that none of us is:

- (A) A person designated to make medical decisions on the principal's behalf;
- (B) A health care provider or professional person directly involved with the provision of care to the principal at the time the directive is executed;
- (C) An owner, operator, employee, or relative of an owner or operator of a health care facility or long-term care facility in which the principal is a patient or resident:
- (D) A person who is related by blood, marriage, or adoption to the person, or with whom the principal has a dating relationship as defined in RCW 26.50.010;
- (E) An incapacitated person;
- (F) A person who would benefit financially if the principal undergoes mental health treatment; or
- (G) A minor.

Witness 1: Signature: Date:

Printed Name:

Telephone: Address:

Witness 2: Signature: Date:

Printed Name:

Telephone: Address:

PART X.

RECORD OF DIRECTIVE

I have given a copy of this directive to the following persons:

# DO NOT FILL OUT PART XI UNLESS YOU INTEND TO REVOKE

THIS DIRECTIVE IN PART OR IN WHOLE PART XI.

#### REVOCATION OF THIS DIRECTIVE

(Initial any that apply):

. . . . . . I am revoking the following part(s) of this directive (specify):

#### . . . . . I am revoking all of this directive.

By signing here, I indicate that I understand the purpose and effect of my revocation and that no person is bound by any revoked provision(s). I intend this revocation to be interpreted as if I had never completed the revoked provision(s).

Signature: Date:

Printed Name:

DO NOT SIGN THIS PART UNLESS YOU INTEND TO REVOKE THIS

#### DIRECTIVE IN PART OR IN WHOLE

Sec. 17. RCW 71.34.020 and 2011 c 89 s 16 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter. (1) "Child psychiatrist" means a person having a license as a physician and surgeon in this state, who has had graduate training in child psychiatry in a program approved by the American Medical Association or the American Osteopathic Association, and who is board eligible or board certified in child psychiatry.

- (2) "Children's mental health specialist" means:
- (a) A mental health professional who has completed a minimum of one hundred actual hours, not quarter or semester hours, of specialized training devoted to the study of child development and the treatment of children; and
- (b) A mental health professional who has the equivalent of one year of full-time experience in the treatment of children under the supervision of a children's mental health specialist.
- (3) "Commitment" means a determination by a judge or court commissioner, made after a commitment hearing, that the minor is in need of inpatient diagnosis, evaluation, or treatment or that the minor is in need of less restrictive alternative treatment.
- (4) "Department" means the department of social and health services.
- (5) "Designated mental health professional" means a mental health professional designated by one or more counties to perform the functions of a designated mental health professional described in this chapter.

- (6) "Evaluation and treatment facility" means a public or private facility or unit that is certified by the department to provide emergency, inpatient, residential, or outpatient mental health evaluation and treatment services for minors. A physically separate and separately-operated portion of a state hospital may be designated as an evaluation and treatment facility for minors. A facility which is part of or operated by the department or federal agency does not require certification. No correctional institution or facility, juvenile court detention facility, or jail may be an evaluation and treatment facility within the meaning of this chapter.
- (7) "Evaluation and treatment program" means the total system of services and facilities coordinated and approved by a county or combination of counties for the evaluation and treatment of minors under this chapter.
- (8) "Gravely disabled minor" means a minor who, as a result of a mental disorder, is in danger of serious physical harm resulting from a failure to provide for his or her essential human needs of health or safety, or manifests severe deterioration in routine functioning evidenced by repeated and escalating loss of cognitive or volitional control over his or her actions and is not receiving such care as is essential for his or her health or safety.
- (9) "Inpatient treatment" means twenty-four-hour-perday mental health care provided within a general hospital, psychiatric hospital, or residential treatment facility certified by the department as an evaluation and treatment facility for minors.
- (10) "Less restrictive alternative" or "less restrictive setting" means outpatient treatment provided to a minor who is not residing in a facility providing inpatient treatment as defined in this chapter.
- (11) "Likelihood of serious harm" means either: (a) A substantial risk that physical harm will be inflicted by an individual upon his or her own person, as evidenced by threats or attempts to commit suicide or inflict physical harm on oneself; (b) a substantial risk that physical harm will be inflicted by an individual upon another, as evidenced by behavior which has caused such harm or which places another person or persons in reasonable fear of sustaining such harm; or (c) a substantial risk that physical harm will be inflicted by an individual upon the property of others, as evidenced by behavior which has caused substantial loss or damage to the property of others.
- (12) "Medical necessity" for inpatient care means a requested service which is reasonably calculated to: (a) Diagnose, correct, cure, or alleviate a mental disorder; or (b) prevent the worsening of mental conditions that endanger life or cause suffering and pain, or result in illness or infirmity or threaten to cause or aggravate a handicap, or cause physical deformity or malfunction, and there is no adequate less restrictive alternative available.
- (13) "Mental disorder" means any organic, mental, or emotional impairment that has substantial adverse effects on an individual's cognitive or volitional functions. The presence of alcohol abuse, drug abuse, juvenile criminal history, antisocial behavior, or

- intellectual disabilities alone is insufficient to justify a finding of "mental disorder" within the meaning of this section
- (14) "Mental health professional" means a psychiatrist, physician assistant working with a supervising psychiatrist, psychologist, psychiatric nurse, or social worker, and such other mental health professionals as may be defined by rules adopted by the secretary under this chapter.
- (15) "Minor" means any person under the age of eighteen years.
- (16) "Outpatient treatment" means any of the nonresidential services mandated under chapter 71.24 RCW and provided by licensed services providers as identified by RCW 71.24.025.
- (17) "Parent" means:
- (a) A biological or adoptive parent who has legal custody of the child, including either parent if custody is shared under a joint custody agreement; or
- (b) A person or agency judicially appointed as legal guardian or custodian of the child.
- (18) "Professional person in charge" or "professional person" means a physician or other mental health professional empowered by an evaluation and treatment facility with authority to make admission and discharge decisions on behalf of that facility.
- (19) "Psychiatric nurse" means a registered nurse who has a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, and who has had, in addition, at least two years' experience in the direct treatment of persons who have a mental illness or who are emotionally disturbed, such experience gained under the supervision of a mental health professional. "Psychiatric nurse" shall also mean any other registered nurse who has three years of such experience.
- (20) "Psychiatrist" means a person having a license as a physician in this state who has completed residency training in psychiatry in a program approved by the American Medical Association or the American Osteopathic Association, and is board eligible or board certified in psychiatry.
- (21) "Psychologist" means a person licensed as a psychologist under chapter 18.83 RCW.
- (22) "Responsible other" means the minor, the minor's parent or estate, or any other person legally responsible for support of the minor.
- (23) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department or secretary's designee.
- (24) "Social worker" means a person with a master's or further advanced degree from a social work educational program accredited and approved as provided in RCW 18.320.010.
- (25) "Start of initial detention" means the time of arrival of the minor at the first evaluation and treatment facility offering inpatient treatment if the minor is being involuntarily detained at the time. With regard to voluntary patients, "start of initial detention" means the time at which the minor gives notice of intent to leave under the provisions of this chapter.
- (26) "Physician assistant" means a person licensed as a physician assistant under chapter 18.57A or 18.71A RCW.

Sec. 18. RCW 71.34.355 and 2009 c 217 s 15 are each amended to read as follows:

Absent a risk to self or others, minors treated under this chapter have the following rights, which shall be prominently posted in the evaluation and treatment facility:

- (1) To wear their own clothes and to keep and use personal possessions;
- (2) To keep and be allowed to spend a reasonable sum of their own money for canteen expenses and small purchases;
- (3) To have individual storage space for private use;
- (4) To have visitors at reasonable times;
- (5) To have reasonable access to a telephone, both to make and receive confidential calls;
- (6) To have ready access to letter-writing materials, including stamps, and to send and receive uncensored correspondence through the mails;
- (7) To discuss treatment plans and decisions with mental health professionals;
- (8) To have the right to adequate care and individualized treatment;
- (9) Not to consent to the performance of electroconvulsive treatment or surgery, except emergency lifesaving surgery, upon him or her, and not to have electro-convulsive treatment or nonemergency surgery in such circumstance unless ordered by a court pursuant to a judicial hearing in which the minor is present and represented by counsel, and the court shall appoint a psychiatrist, physician assistant, psychologist, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician designated by the minor or the minor's counsel to testify on behalf of the minor. The minor's parent may exercise this right on the minor's behalf, and must be informed of any impending treatment;
- (10) Not to have psychosurgery performed on him or her under any circumstances.
- Sec. 19. RCW 71.34.720 and 2009 c 217 s 16 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Each minor approved by the facility for inpatient admission shall be examined and evaluated by a children's mental health specialist as to the child's mental condition and by a physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner as to the child's physical condition within twenty-four hours of admission. Reasonable measures shall be taken to ensure medical treatment is provided for any condition requiring immediate medical attention.
- (2) If, after examination and evaluation, the children's mental health specialist and the physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner determine that the initial needs of the minor would be better served by placement in a chemical dependency treatment facility, then the minor shall be referred to an approved treatment program defined under RCW 70.96A.020.
- (3) The admitting facility shall take reasonable steps to notify immediately the minor's parent of the admission.
- (4) During the initial seventy-two hour treatment period, the minor has a right to associate or receive communications from parents or others unless the professional person in charge determines that such

- communication would be seriously detrimental to the minor's condition or treatment and so indicates in the minor's clinical record, and notifies the minor's parents of this determination. In no event may the minor be denied the opportunity to consult an attorney.
- (5) If the evaluation and treatment facility admits the minor, it may detain the minor for evaluation and treatment for a period not to exceed seventy-two hours from the time of provisional acceptance. The computation of such seventy-two hour period shall exclude Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. This initial treatment period shall not exceed seventy-two hours except when an application for voluntary inpatient treatment is received or a petition for fourteen-day commitment is filed.
- (6) Within twelve hours of the admission, the facility shall advise the minor of his or her rights as set forth in this chapter.
- Sec. 20. RCW 71.34.730 and 2009 c 293 s 6 and 2009 c 217 s 17 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The professional person in charge of an evaluation and treatment facility where a minor has been admitted involuntarily for the initial seventy-two hour treatment period under this chapter may petition to have a minor committed to an evaluation and treatment facility for fourteen-day diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment.
- If the professional person in charge of the treatment and evaluation facility does not petition to have the minor committed, the parent who has custody of the minor may seek review of that decision in court. The parent shall file notice with the court and provide a copy of the treatment and evaluation facility's report.
- (2) A petition for commitment of a minor under this section shall be filed with the superior court in the county where the minor is residing or being detained.
- (a) A petition for a fourteen-day commitment shall be signed by: (i) Two physicians((,)); (ii) ((two psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioners, (iii) a mental health professional and either a physician or a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or (iv) a physician and a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner)) one physician and a mental health professional; (iii) one physician assistant and a mental health professional; or (iv) one psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner and a mental health professional. The person signing the petition must have examined the minor, and the petition must contain the following:
- (A) The name and address of the petitioner;
- (B) The name of the minor alleged to meet the criteria for fourteen-day commitment;
- (C) The name, telephone number, and address if known of every person believed by the petitioner to be legally responsible for the minor;
- (D) A statement that the petitioner has examined the minor and finds that the minor's condition meets required criteria for fourteen-day commitment and the supporting facts therefor;
- (E) A statement that the minor has been advised of the need for voluntary treatment but has been unwilling or unable to consent to necessary treatment;

- (F) A statement that the minor has been advised of the loss of firearm rights if involuntarily committed;
- (G) A statement recommending the appropriate facility or facilities to provide the necessary treatment; and
- (H) A statement concerning whether a less restrictive alternative to inpatient treatment is in the best interests of the minor.
- (b) A copy of the petition shall be personally delivered to the minor by the petitioner or petitioner's designee. A copy of the petition shall be sent to the minor's attorney and the minor's parent.
- Sec. 21. RCW 71.34.750 and 2009 c 217 s 18 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) At any time during the minor's period of fourteenday commitment, the professional person in charge may petition the court for an order requiring the minor to undergo an additional one hundred eighty-day period of treatment. The evidence in support of the petition shall be presented by the county prosecutor unless the petition is filed by the professional person in charge of a stateoperated facility in which case the evidence shall be presented by the attorney general.
- (2) The petition for one hundred eighty-day commitment shall contain the following:
- (a) The name and address of the petitioner or petitioners;
- (b) The name of the minor alleged to meet the criteria for one hundred eighty-day commitment;
- (c) A statement that the petitioner is the professional person in charge of the evaluation and treatment facility responsible for the treatment of the minor;
- (d) The date of the fourteen-day commitment order; and (e) A summary of the facts supporting the petition.
- (3) The petition shall be supported by accompanying affidavits signed by: (a) Two examining physicians, one of whom shall be a child psychiatrist, or two psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioners, one of whom shall be a child and adolescent or family psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or two physician assistants, one of whom must be supervised by a child psychiatrist: (b) one children's mental health specialist and either an examining physician, physician assistant, a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner((,)); or (c) two among an examining physician, physician assistant, and a psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, one of which needs to be a child psychiatrist a physician assistant supervised by a child psychiatrist, or a child and adolescent psychiatric nurse practitioner. The affidavits shall describe in detail the behavior of the detained minor which supports the petition and shall state whether a less restrictive alternative to inpatient treatment is in the best interests of the minor.
- (4) The petition for one hundred eighty-day commitment shall be filed with the clerk of the court at least three days before the expiration of the fourteen-day commitment period. The petitioner or the petitioner's designee shall within twenty-four hours of filing serve a copy of the petition on the minor and notify the minor's attorney and the minor's parent. A copy of the petition shall be provided to such persons at least twenty-four hours prior to the hearing.

- (5) At the time of filing, the court shall set a date within seven days for the hearing on the petition. The court may continue the hearing upon the written request of the minor or the minor's attorney for not more than ten days. The minor or the parents shall be afforded the same rights as in a fourteen-day commitment hearing. Treatment of the minor shall continue pending the proceeding.
- (6) For one hundred eighty-day commitment, the court must find by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that the minor:
- (a) Is suffering from a mental disorder;
- (b) Presents a likelihood of serious harm or is gravely disabled; and
- (c) Is in need of further treatment that only can be provided in a one hundred eighty-day commitment.
- (7) If the court finds that the criteria for commitment are met and that less restrictive treatment in a community setting is not appropriate or available, the court shall order the minor committed for further inpatient treatment to the custody of the secretary or to a private treatment and evaluation facility if the minor's parents have assumed responsibility for payment for the treatment. If the court finds that a less restrictive alternative is in the best interest of the minor, the court shall order less restrictive alternative treatment upon such conditions as necessary.
- If the court determines that the minor does not meet the criteria for one hundred eighty-day commitment, the minor shall be released.
- (8) Successive one hundred eighty-day commitments are permissible on the same grounds and under the same procedures as the original one hundred eighty-day commitment. Such petitions shall be filed at least five days prior to the expiration of the previous one hundred eighty-day commitment order.
- Sec. 22. RCW 71.34.770 and 2009 c 217 s 19 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The professional person in charge of the inpatient treatment facility may authorize release for the minor under such conditions as appropriate. Conditional release may be revoked pursuant to RCW 71.34.780 if leave conditions are not met or the minor's functioning substantially deteriorates.
- (2) Minors may be discharged prior to expiration of the commitment period if the treating physician, physician assistant, psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner, or professional person in charge concludes that the minor no longer meets commitment criteria.
- Sec. 23. RCW 18.71 A.030 and 2013 c 203 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A physician assistant may practice medicine in this state only with the approval of the delegation agreement by the commission and only to the extent permitted by the commission. A physician assistant who has received a license but who has not received commission approval of the delegation agreement under RCW 18.71A.040 may not practice. A physician assistant shall be subject to discipline under chapter 18.130 RCW.
- (2) Physician assistants may provide services that they are competent to perform based on their education, training, and experience and that are consistent with

their commission-approved delegation agreement. The supervising physician and the physician assistant shall determine which procedures may be performed and the degree of supervision under which the procedure is performed. Physician assistants may practice in any area of medicine or surgery as long as the practice is not beyond the supervising physician's own scope of expertise and practice.

Sec. 24. RCW 18.57A.030 and 2013 c 203 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) An osteopathic physician assistant as defined in this chapter may practice osteopathic medicine in this state only with the approval of the delegation agreement by the board and only to the extent permitted by the board. An osteopathic physician assistant who has received a license but who has not received board approval of the delegation agreement under RCW 18.57A.040 may not practice. An osteopathic physician assistant shall be subject to discipline by the board under the provisions of chapter 18.130 RCW.
- (2) Osteopathic physician assistants may provide services that they are competent to perform based on their education, training, and experience and that are consistent with their board-approved delegation agreement. The supervising physician and the physician assistant shall determine which procedures may be performed and the degree of supervision under which the procedure is performed. Physician assistants may practice in any area of medicine or surgery so long as the practice is not beyond the supervising physician's own scope of expertise and practice."

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Expanding the professional educator workforce by increasing career opportunities in education, creating a more robust enrollment forecasting, and enhancing recruitment efforts. Reported by Committee on Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 RCW to read as follows:

Subject to an appropriation specifically provided for this purpose, the superintendent of public instruction, in consultation with school district and educational service district personnel, shall develop and implement a comprehensive, statewide initiative to increase the number of qualified individuals who apply for teaching

positions in Washington. In developing and implementing the initiative, the superintendent shall:

- (1) Include a teacher recruitment component that targets groups of individuals who may be interested in teaching in Washington public schools, such as: College students who have not chosen a major; out-of-state teachers; military personnel and their spouses; and individuals with teaching certificates who are not currently employed as teachers;
- (2) Contract for the development of a statewide system to provide recruitment and hiring services, including a centralized hiring portal, to school districts, and a statewide central depository for applications of individuals interested in applying for certificated positions that can be accessed by school districts in the state for purposes of hiring teachers and other certificated positions. The services and tools developed under this subsection must be made available initially to small school districts, and to larger districts as resources are available. When defining small districts for the purpose of this subsection, the office of the superintendent of public instruction must consider whether a district has fewer than three hundred certificated staff;
- (3) Create or enhance an existing web site that provides useful information to individuals who are interested in teaching in Washington; and
- (4) Take other actions to increase the number of qualified individuals who apply for teaching positions in Washington.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. (1) Subject to an appropriation specifically provided for this purpose, the workforce training and education coordinating board, in collaboration with the professional educator standards board, shall work with the student achievement council, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, school districts, educational service districts, the state board for community and technical colleges, the institutions of higher education, major employers, and other parties to develop and disseminate information designed to increase recruitment into professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation programs. The information must be disseminated statewide through existing channels.

(2) This section expires July 1, 2019.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) Subject to an appropriation specifically provided for this purpose, the professional educator standards board shall create and administer the recruitment specialists grant program to provide funds to professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation programs to hire, or contract with, recruitment specialists that focus on recruitment of individuals who are from traditionally underrepresented groups among teachers in Washington when compared to the common school population.

(2) This section expires July 1, 2018.

Sec. 4. RCW 28A.410.250 and 2005 c 498 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

The agency responsible for educator certification shall adopt rules for professional certification that:

(1) Provide maximum program choice for applicants, promote portability among programs, and promote

- maximum efficiency for applicants in attaining professional certification;
- (2) Require professional certification no earlier than the fifth year following the year that the teacher first completes provisional status, with an automatic two-year extension upon enrollment;
- (3) Grant professional certification to any teacher who attains certification from the national board for professional teaching standards;
- (4) Permit any teacher currently enrolled in or participating in a program leading to professional certification to continue the program under administrative rules in place when the teacher began the program;
- (5) Provide criteria for the approval of educational service districts, beginning no later than August 31, 2007, to offer programs leading to professional certification. The rules shall be written to encourage institutions of higher education and educational service districts to partner with local school districts or consortia of school districts, as appropriate, to provide instruction for teachers seeking professional certification;
- (6) Encourage institutions of higher education to offer professional certificate coursework as continuing education credit hours. This shall not prevent an institution of higher education from providing the option of including the professional certification requirements as part of a master's degree program;
- (7) Provide criteria for a liaison relationship between approved programs and school districts in which applicants are employed;
- (8) Identify an expedited professional certification process for out-of-state teachers who have five years or more of successful teaching experience ((to demonstrate skills and impact on student learning commensurate with Washington requirements for professional certification. The rules may require these teachers, within one year of the time they begin to teach in the state's public schools, take a course in or show evidence that they can teach to the state's essential academic learning requirements)). including a method to determine the comparability of rigor between the Washington professional certification process and the second-level teacher certification process of other states. A professional certificate must be issued to these experienced out-of-state teachers if the teacher holds: (a) A valid teaching certificate issued by the national board for professional teaching standards; or (b) a second-level teacher certificate from another state that has been determined to be comparable to the Washington professional certificate; and
- (9) Identify an evaluation process of approved programs that includes a review of the program coursework and applicant coursework load requirements, linkages of programs to individual teacher professional growth plans, linkages to school district and school improvement plans, and, to the extent possible, linkages to school district professional enrichment and growth programs for teachers, where such programs are in place in school districts. The agency shall provide a preliminary report on the evaluation process to the senate and house of representatives committees on

- education policy by November 1, 2005. The board shall identify:
- (a) A process for awarding conditional approval of a program that shall include annual evaluations of the program until the program is awarded full approval;
- (b) A less intensive evaluation cycle every three years once a program receives full approval unless the responsible agency has reason to intensify the evaluation;
- (c) A method for investigating programs that have received numerous complaints from students enrolled in the program and from those recently completing the program;
- (d) A method for investigating programs at the reasonable discretion of the agency; and
- (e) A method for using, in the evaluation, both program completer satisfaction responses and data on the impact of educators who have obtained professional certification on student work and achievement.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 41.32 RCW under the subchapter heading "provisions applicable to plan 2 and plan 3" to be codified between RCW 41.32.067 and 41.32.215 to read as follows:

In addition to the postretirement employment options available in RCW 41.32.802 or 41.32.862, and only until August 1, 2020, a teacher in plan 2 or plan 3 who has retired under the alternate early retirement provisions of RCW 41.32.765(3)(b) or 41.32.875(3)(b) may be employed with an employer for up to eight hundred sixty-seven hours per calendar year without suspension of his or her benefit, provided that the retired teacher reenters employment more than one calendar month after his or her accrual date and after the effective date of this section, and is employed exclusively as either:

(1) A substitute teacher as defined in RCW 41.32.010(48)(a) in an instructional capacity, as opposed to other capacities identified in RCW 41.32.010(49); or (2) A mentor to teachers or an adviser to students in a professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation program if the retired teacher has received appropriate training as defined by the office of the superintendent of public instruction, including training to become national board certified or other specialized training.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 41.32 RCW to read as follows:

A school district that employs a retired teacher exclusively as a substitute teacher under section 5(1) of this act must compensate its substitute teachers at an amount that is equal to or greater than the full daily amount allocated by the state to the district for substitute teacher compensation.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. (1) Subject to an appropriation specifically provided for this purpose, the professional educator standards board shall coordinate meetings between the school districts that do not have professional educator standards board-approved alternative route teacher certification programs and the nearest public or private institution of higher education with a professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation program. The purpose of the meetings is to

determine whether the districts and institutions can partner to apply to the professional educator standards board to operate an alternative route teacher certification program.

- (2) Subject to an appropriation specifically provided for this purpose, an institution of higher education, as defined in RCW 28B.10.016, with a professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation program that does not operate a professional educator standards board-approved alternative route teacher certification program must seek approval from the professional educator standards board to offer an alternative route teacher certification program by submitting the proposal developed under RCW 28A.410.290, or an updated version of the proposal, by September 1, 2016. If approved, the institution of higher education must implement an alternative route teacher certification program according to a timeline suggested by the professional educator standards board.
- (3) This section expires July 1, 2017.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) By July 1, 2018, each institution of higher education with a professional educator standards board-approved alternative route teacher certification program must develop a plan describing how the institution of higher education will partner with school districts in the general geographic region of the school, or where its programs are offered, regarding placement of resident teachers. The plans must be developed in collaboration with school districts desiring to partner with the institutions of higher education, and may include use of unexpended federal or state funds to support residencies and mentoring for students who are likely to continue teaching in the district in which they have a supervised student teaching residency.
- (2) The plans required under subsection (1) of this section must be updated at least biennially.
- Sec. 9. RCW 28A.415.265 and 2013 2nd sp.s. c 18 s 401 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) For the purposes of this section, a mentor is an educator who has achieved appropriate training in assisting, coaching, and advising beginning teachers or student teaching residents as defined by the office of the superintendent of public instruction, such as national board certification or other specialized training.
- (2)(a) The educator support program is established to provide professional development and mentor support for beginning educators, candidates in alternative route teacher programs under RCW 28A.660.040, and educators on probation under RCW 28A.405.100, to be composed of the beginning educator support team for beginning educators and continuous improvement coaching for educators on probation, as provided in this section.
- (((2)(a))) (b) The superintendent of public instruction shall notify school districts about the educator support program and encourage districts to apply for program funds.
- (3) Subject to funds appropriated for this specific purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall allocate funds for the beginning

- educator support team on a competitive basis to individual school districts or consortia of districts. School districts are encouraged to include educational service districts in creating regional consortia. In allocating funds, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall give priority to:
- (a) School districts with low-performing schools identified under RCW 28A.657.020 as being challenged schools in need of improvement; and
- (b) School districts with a large influx of beginning classroom teachers.
- (4) A portion of the appropriated funds may be used for program coordination and provision of statewide or regional professional development through the office of the superintendent of public instruction.
- (((b))) (5) A beginning educator support team must include the following components:
- (((i))) (a) A paid orientation or individualized assistance before the start of the school year for beginning educators;
- (((ii))) (b) Assignment of a trained and qualified mentor for the first three years for beginning educators, with intensive support in the first year and decreasing support over the following years depending on the needs of the beginning educator;
- (((iii))) (c) A goal to provide beginning teachers from underrepresented populations with a mentor who has strong ties to underrepresented populations;
- (d) Professional development for beginning educators that is designed to meet their unique needs for supplemental training and skill development;
- (((iv))) (e) Professional development for mentors;
- (((v))) (f) Release time for mentors and their designated educators to work together, as well as time for educators to observe accomplished peers; and
- (((vi))) (g) A program evaluation using a standard evaluation tool provided from the office of the superintendent of public instruction that measures increased knowledge, skills, and positive impact on student learning for program participants.
- (((3))) (6) Subject to funds separately appropriated for this specific purpose, the beginning educator support team components under subsection (((2))) (3) of this section may be provided for continuous improvement coaching to support educators on probation under RCW 28A.405.100.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. (1) In fiscal year 2017, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, in collaboration with the professional educator standards board and institutions of higher education with professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation programs, shall develop mentor training program goals for the institutions to use in their teacher preparation program curricula.
- (2) Once the mentor training program goals are developed as required under subsection (1) of this section, the institutions of higher education with professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation programs are encouraged to develop and implement curricula that meet the mentor training program goals.
- (3) This section expires July 1, 2019.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. A new section is added to chapter 28A.330 RCW to read as follows:
- By June 15th of each year, a school district shall report to the office of the superintendent of public instruction the number of classroom teachers the district projects will be hired in the following school year.
- Sec. 12. RCW 28A.660.050 and 2015 3rd sp.s. c 9 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for these purposes, the conditional scholarship programs in this chapter are created under the following guidelines:
- (1) The programs shall be administered by the student achievement council. In administering the programs, the council has the following powers and duties:
- (a) To adopt necessary rules and develop guidelines to administer the programs;
- (b) To collect and manage repayments from participants who do not meet their service obligations; and
- (c) To accept grants and donations from public and private sources for the programs.
- (2) Requirements for participation in the conditional scholarship programs are as provided in this subsection (2).
- (a) The alternative route conditional scholarship program is limited to interns of professional educator standards board-approved alternative routes to teaching programs under RCW 28A.660.040. For fiscal year 2011, priority must be given to fiscal year 2010 participants in the alternative route partnership program. In order to receive conditional scholarship awards, recipients shall:
- (i) Be accepted and maintain enrollment in alternative certification routes through a professional educator standards board-approved program;
- (ii) Continue to make satisfactory progress toward completion of the alternative route certification program and receipt of a residency teaching certificate; and
- (iii) Receive no more than the annual amount of the scholarship, not to exceed eight thousand dollars, for the cost of tuition, fees, and educational expenses, including books, supplies, and transportation for the alternative route certification program in which the recipient is enrolled. The council may adjust the annual award by the average rate of resident undergraduate tuition and fee increases at the state universities as defined in RCW 28B.10.016.
- (b) The pipeline for paraeducators conditional scholarship program is limited to qualified paraeducators as provided by RCW 28A.660.042. In order to receive conditional scholarship awards, recipients shall:
- (i) Be accepted and maintain enrollment at a community and technical college for no more than two years and attain an associate of arts degree;
- (ii) Continue to make satisfactory progress toward completion of an associate of arts degree. This progress requirement is a condition for eligibility into a route one program of the alternative routes to teacher certification program for a mathematics, special education, or English as a second language endorsement; and
- (iii) Receive no more than the annual amount of the scholarship, not to exceed four thousand dollars, for the

- cost of tuition, fees, and educational expenses, including books, supplies, and transportation for the alternative route certification program in which the recipient is enrolled. The student achievement council may adjust the annual award by the average rate of tuition and fee increases at the state community and technical colleges.
- (c) The educator retooling conditional scholarship program is limited to current K-12 teachers. In order to receive conditional scholarship awards:
- (i) Individuals currently employed as teachers shall pursue an endorsement in a subject or geographic endorsement shortage area, as defined by the professional educator standards board, including but not limited to((,)) mathematics, science, special education, elementary education, early childhood education, bilingual education, English language learner, computer science education, or environmental and sustainability education; or
- (ii) Individuals who are certificated with an elementary education endorsement shall pursue an endorsement in a subject or geographic endorsement shortage area, as defined by the professional educator standards board, including but not limited to((,)) mathematics, science, special education, bilingual education, English language learner, computer science education, or environmental and sustainability education; and
- (iii) Individuals shall use one of the pathways to endorsement processes to receive an endorsement in a subject or geographic endorsement shortage area, as defined by the professional educator standards board, including but not limited to((,)) mathematics, science, special education, bilingual education, English language learner, computer science education, or environmental and sustainability education, which shall include passing an endorsement test plus observation and completing applicable coursework to attain the proper endorsement; and
- (iv) Individuals shall receive no more than the annual amount of the scholarship, not to exceed three thousand dollars, for the cost of tuition, test fees, and educational expenses, including books, supplies, and transportation for the endorsement pathway being pursued.
- (3) The Washington professional educator standards board shall select individuals to receive conditional scholarships. In selecting recipients, preference shall be given to eligible veterans or national guard members. In awarding conditional scholarships to support additional bilingual education or English language learner endorsements, the board shall also give preference to teachers assigned to schools required under state or federal accountability measures to implement a plan for improvement, and to teachers assigned to schools whose enrollment of English language learner students has increased an average of more than five percent per year over the previous three years.
- (4) For the purpose of this chapter, a conditional scholarship is a loan that is forgiven in whole or in part in exchange for service as a certificated teacher employed in a Washington state K-12 public school. The state shall forgive one year of loan obligation for every two years a recipient teaches in a public school. Recipients who fail to continue a course of study leading

to residency teacher certification or cease to teach in a public school in the state of Washington in their endorsement area are required to repay the remaining loan principal with interest.

- (5) Recipients who fail to fulfill the required teaching obligation are required to repay the remaining loan principal with interest and any other applicable fees. The student achievement council shall adopt rules to define the terms for repayment, including applicable interest rates, fees, and deferments.
- (6) The student achievement council may deposit all appropriations, collections, and any other funds received for the program in this chapter in the future teachers conditional scholarship account authorized in RCW 28B.102.080.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 28B.102 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Subject to an appropriation specifically provided for this purpose, the office shall develop and administer the teacher shortage conditional grant program as a subprogram within the future teachers conditional scholarship and loan repayment program. The purpose of the teacher shortage conditional grant program is to encourage individuals to become teachers by providing financial aid to individuals enrolled in professional educator standards-approved teacher preparation programs.
- (2) The office has the power and duty to develop and adopt rules as necessary under chapter 34.05 RCW to administer the program described in this section.
- (3) As part of the rule-making process under subsection (2) of this section, the office must collaborate with the professional educator standards board, the Washington state school directors' association, and the professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation programs to develop a framework for the teacher shortage conditional grant program, including eligibility requirements, contractual obligations, conditional grant amounts, and loan repayment requirements.
- (4)(a) In developing the eligibility requirements, the office must consider: Whether the individual has a financial need, is a first-generation college student, or is from a traditionally underrepresented group among teachers in Washington; whether the individual is completing an alternative route to teacher certification program; whether the individual plans to obtain an endorsement in a hard-to-fill subject, as defined by the professional educator standards board; the characteristic of any geographic shortage area, as defined by the professional educator standards board, that the individual plans to teach in; and whether a school district has committed to offering the individual employment once the individual obtains a residency teacher certificate
- (b) In developing the contractual obligations, the office must consider requiring the individual to: Obtain a Washington state residency teacher certificate; teach in a subject or geographic endorsement shortage area, as defined by the professional educator standards board; and commit to teach for five school years in an approved education program with a need for a teacher with such an endorsement at the time of hire.

- (c) In developing the conditional grant award amounts, the office must consider whether the individual is: Enrolled in a public or private institution of higher education, a resident, in a baccalaureate or postbaccalaureate program, or in an alternative route to teacher certification program. In addition, the award amounts must not result in a reduction of the individual's federal or state grant aid, including Pell grants, state need grants, college bound scholarships, or opportunity scholarships.
- (d) In developing the repayment requirements for a conditional grant that is converted into a loan, the terms and conditions of the loan must follow the interest rate and repayment terms of the federal direct subsidized loan program. In addition, the office must consider the following repayment schedule:
- (i) For less than one school year of teaching completed, the loan obligation is eighty-five percent of the conditional grant the student received, plus interest and an equalization fee;
- (ii) For less than two school years of teaching completed, the loan obligation is seventy percent of the conditional grant the student received, plus interest and an equalization fee:
- (iii) For less than three school years of teaching completed, the loan obligation is fifty-five percent of the conditional grant the student received, plus interest and an equalization fee; and
- (iv) For less than four school years of teaching completed, the loan obligation is forty percent of the conditional grant the student received, plus interest and an equalization fee.
- (5) By November 1, 2018, and November 1, 2020, the office shall submit reports, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, to the appropriate committees of the legislature that recommend whether the teacher shortage conditional grant program under this section should be continued, modified, or terminated, and that include information about the recipients of the grants under this program.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. A new section is added to chapter 28B.76 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Subject to funds appropriated specifically for this purpose, the office shall administer a student teaching residency grant program to provide additional funds to individuals completing student teaching residencies at public schools in Washington.
- (2) To qualify for the grant, recipients must be enrolled in a professional educator standards board-approved teacher preparation program, be completing or about to start a student teaching residency at a Title I school, and demonstrate financial need, as defined by the office and consistent with the income criteria required to receive the state need grant established in chapter 28B.92 RCW. (3) The office shall establish rules for administering the grants under this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. Sections 5 and 6 of this act expire July 1, 2021."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Santos, Chair; Ortiz-Self, Vice Chair; Reykdal, Vice Chair; Magendanz, Ranking

Minority Member; Muri, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Stambaugh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Caldier; Griffey; Hargrove; Harris; Hayes; Kilduff; Kuderer; McCaslin; Orwall; Pollet; Rossetti and Springer.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representative Klippert.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

# SB 6488

Prime Sponsor, Senator Becker: Directing the health care authority to apply for a federal innovation waiver to expand an employer-based coverage option with a portable health care account. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Short and Tharinger.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Riccelli, Vice Chair and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

## 2SSB 6497

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Providing court-based and school-based intervention and prevention efforts to promote attendance and reduce truancy. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature recognizes that school attendance really matters, and that poor school attendance can have far-reaching effects on academic performance and achievement, development of social skills and school engagement, dropout rates, and even college completion rates. According to an August 2014 report by Attendance Works titled "Absences Add Up: How School Attendance Influences Student Success," students who missed more school than their peers scored lower on the 2013 national assessment for educational progress (NAEP). This was true at every age, in every racial and ethnic group, and in every state and city examined in the state-by-state analysis, and reinforced other research that has shown that: Poor attendance in the first month of school can predict chronic absence for the entire year; absenteeism in kindergarten can affect whether a child develops necessary grit and perseverance; absenteeism in preschool and kindergarten can influence whether a child will master reading by the end of third grade or be held back; absenteeism in middle and high school can predict dropout rates; absenteeism influences not just chances for graduating but also for completing college; improving attendance is important for reducing educational opportunity gaps; and when students reduce absences, they can make academic gains.

The legislature further finds that these effects occur regardless of whether excessive absenteeism is considered excused or unexcused or the specific reason or reasons for excessive absenteeism. By taking a three-pronged approach, focusing not just on truancy but on school attendance in general, and providing additional tools to schools, courts, communities, and families, the legislature hopes to reduce excessive absenteeism, strengthen family engagement with schools, involve communities, promote academic achievement, reduce educational opportunity gaps, and increase high school graduation rates.

First, with respect to absenteeism in general, the legislature intends to put in place consistent practices and procedures, beginning in kindergarten, pursuant to which schools share information with families about the importance of consistent attendance and the consequences of excessive absences, involve families early, and provide families with information, services, and tools that they may access to improve and maintain their children's school attendance.

Second, the legislature recognizes the success that has been had by school districts and county juvenile courts around the state that have worked in tandem with one another to establish truancy boards capable of therapeutic prevention and intervention and that regularly stay truancy petitions in order to first allow these boards to identify barriers to school attendance, cooperatively solve problems, and connect students and their families with needed academic supports and community-based services, and that turn to court orders only as a last resort. While keeping petition filing requirements in place, the legislature intends to require an initial stay of truancy petitions in order to allow for appropriate intervention and prevention before using a court order to enforce attendance laws. The legislature also intends to encourage efforts by county juvenile courts and school districts to: Establish and maintain therapeutic truancy boards; and to employ other best practices, including the provision of training for board members and other school and court personnel on trauma-informed approaches to discipline, the research regarding adverse childhood experiences, the use of the Washington assessment of the risks and needs of students (WARNS) or other assessment tools to identify the specific needs of individual children, and the provision of evidence-based treatments that have been found to be effective in supporting at-risk youth and their families as well as those that have been shown to be culturally appropriate promising practices.

Third, the legislature recognizes that there are instances in which individual barriers to school attendance that have led to a student's absences may be best addressed by providing access to a bed in a HOPE center. The legislature further recognizes that even when a student is found in contempt of a court order to attend school, it is best practice that the student not be placed in juvenile

detention but, where feasible and available, instead be placed in a crisis residential center. The legislature intends to increase the number of beds in HOPE centers and crisis residential centers in order to facilitate their use for these students.

Sec. 2. RCW 28A.225.005 and 2009 c 556 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Each school within a school district shall inform the students and the parents of the students enrolled in the school about: The benefits of regular school attendance; the potential effects of excessive absenteeism, whether excused or unexcused, on academic achievement, and graduation and dropout rates; the school's expectations of the parents and guardians to ensure regular school attendance by the child; the resources available to assist the child and the parents and guardians; the role and responsibilities of the school; and the consequences of including the compulsory education requirements under this chapter. The school shall provide access to the information ((at least annually.)) before or at the time of enrollment of the child at a new school and at the beginning of each school year. If the school regularly and ordinarily communicates most other information to parents online, providing online access to the information required by this section satisfies the requirements of this section unless a parent or guardian specifically requests information to be provided in written form. Provision must be made to enable parents to request and receive the information in a language in which they are fluent. A parent must date and acknowledge review of this information online or in writing before or at the time of enrollment of the child at a new school and at the beginning of each school year. (2) The office of the superintendent of public instruction

shall develop a template that schools may use to satisfy the requirements of subsection (1) of this section and shall post the information on its web site.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 28A.225 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, in the event that a child in elementary school is required to attend school under RCW 28A.225.010 or 28A.225.015(1) and has five or more excused absences in a single month during the current school year, or ten or more excused absences in the current school year, the school district shall schedule a conference or conferences with the parent and child at a time reasonably convenient for all persons included for the purpose of identifying the barriers to the child's regular attendance, and the supports and resources that may be made available to the family so that the child is able to regularly attend school. If a regularly scheduled parentteacher conference day is to take place within thirty days of the absences, the school district may schedule this conference on that day. To satisfy the requirements of this section, the conference must include at least one school district employee such as a nurse, counselor, social worker, or teacher, except in those instances regarding the attendance of a child who has an individualized education program or a plan developed under section 504 of the rehabilitation act of 1973, in which case the reconvening of the team that created the program or plan is required.

(2) A conference pursuant to subsection (1) of this section is not required in the event of excused absences for which prior notice has been given to the school or a doctor's note has been provided and an academic plan is put in place so that the child does not fall behind.

Sec. 4. RCW 28A.225.025 and 2009 c 266 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) For purposes of this chapter, "community truancy board" means a board composed of members of the local community in which the child attends school. Juvenile courts may establish and operate community truancy boards. If the juvenile court and the school district agree, a school district may establish and operate a community truancy board under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court. Juvenile courts may create a community truancy board or may use other entities that exist or are created, such as diversion units. However, a diversion unit or other existing entity must agree before it is used as a truancy board. Duties of a community truancy board shall include, but not be limited to, recommending methods for improving school attendance such as assisting the parent or the child to obtain supplementary services that might eliminate or ameliorate the causes for the absences or suggesting to the school district that the child enroll in another school, an alternative education program, an education center, a skill center, a dropout prevention program, or another public or private educational program.

(2) The legislature finds that utilization of community truancy boards, or other diversion units that fulfill a similar function, is the preferred means of intervention when preliminary methods of notice and parent conferences and taking appropriate steps to eliminate or reduce unexcused absences have not been effective in securing the child's attendance at school. The legislature intends to encourage and support the development and expansion of community truancy boards and other diversion programs which are effective in promoting school attendance and preventing the need for more intrusive intervention by the court. Operation of a school truancy board does not excuse a district from the obligation of filing a petition within the requirements of RCW 28A.225.015(3).

(3) For purposes of this chapter, "therapeutic truancy board" means a community truancy board operated within existing resources pursuant to a memorandum of understanding between a school district and a juvenile court. All members of a therapeutic truancy board receive training with respect to the identification of barriers to school attendance, the use of the Washington assessment of the risks and needs of students (WARNS) or other assessment tools to identify the specific needs of individual children, trauma-informed approaches to discipline, the research regarding adverse childhood experiences, evidence-based treatments that have been found to be effective in supporting at-risk youth and their families as well as those that have been shown to be culturally appropriate promising practices, and the specific academic supports, services, and treatments available in the particular school, court, community, and

- elsewhere. A therapeutic truancy board identifies barriers to school attendance, cooperatively solves problems, connects students and their families with academic supports, community services, evidence-based services such as functional family therapy, and culturally appropriate promising practices, and may refer children to a HOPE center.
- Sec. 5. RCW 28A.225.035 and 2012 c 157 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A petition for a civil action under RCW 28A.225.030 or 28A.225.015 shall consist of a written notification to the court alleging that:
- (a) The child has unexcused absences during the current school year:
- (b) Actions taken by the school district have not been successful in substantially reducing the child's absences from school; and
- (c) Court intervention and supervision are necessary to assist the school district or parent to reduce the child's absences from school.
- (2) The petition shall set forth the name, date of birth, school, address, gender, race, and ethnicity of the child and the names and addresses of the child's parents, and shall set forth whether the child and parent are fluent in English, whether there is an existing individualized education program, and the child's current academic status in school.
- (3) The petition shall set forth facts that support the allegations in this section and shall generally request relief available under this chapter and provide information about what the court might order under RCW 28A.225.090.
- (4)(a) When a petition is filed under RCW 28A.225.030 or 28A.225.015, it shall initially be stayed and intervention and prevention efforts employed in order to substantially reduce the child's unexcused absences. Intervention and prevention efforts under this subsection may include referral to a community truancy board, preferably a therapeutic truancy board, use of the Washington assessment of the risks and needs of students (WARNS) or other assessment tools to identify the specific needs of individual children, the provision of academic services such as tutoring, credit retrieval and school reengagement supports, and communitybased services, and the provision of evidence-based treatments that have been found to be effective in supporting at-risk youth and their families and those that have been shown to be culturally appropriate promising practices.
- (b) If intervention and prevention efforts under (a) of this subsection are unsuccessful at substantially reducing the child's unexcused absences, the stay shall be lifted and the juvenile court shall schedule a hearing at which the court shall consider the petition, or if the court determines that ((a)) an initial or subsequent referral to an available community truancy board would substantially reduce the child's unexcused absences, the court may refer the case to a community truancy board under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.
- (5) If a referral is made to a community truancy board, the truancy board must meet with the child, a parent, and the school district representative and enter into an

- agreement with the petitioner and respondent regarding expectations and any actions necessary to address the child's truancy within twenty days of the referral. If the petition is based on RCW 28A.225.015, the child shall not be required to attend and the agreement under this subsection shall be between the truancy board, the school district, and the child's parent. The court may permit the truancy board or truancy prevention counselor to provide continued supervision over the student, or parent if the petition is based on RCW 28A.225.015.
- (6) If the truancy board fails to reach an agreement, or the parent or student does not comply with the agreement, the truancy board shall return the case to the juvenile court for a hearing.
- (7)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions in subsection (4)(a) of this section, a hearing shall not be required if other actions by the court would substantially reduce the child's unexcused absences. When a juvenile court hearing is held, the court shall:
- (i) Separately notify the child, the parent of the child, and the school district of the hearing. If the parent is not fluent in English, the preferred practice is for notice to be provided in a language in which the parent is fluent;
- (ii) Notify the parent and the child of their rights to present evidence at the hearing; and
- (iii) Notify the parent and the child of the options and rights available under chapter 13.32A RCW.
- (b) If the child is not provided with counsel, the advisement of rights must take place in court by means of a colloquy between the court, the child if eight years old or older, and the parent.
- (8)(a) The court may require the attendance of the child if eight years old or older, the parents, and the school district at any hearing on a petition filed under RCW 28A.225.030.
- (b) The court may not issue a bench warrant for a child for failure to appear at a hearing on an initial truancy petition filed under RCW 28A.225.030. If there has been proper service, the court may instead enter a default order assuming jurisdiction under the terms specified in subsection (12) of this section.
- (9) A school district is responsible for determining who shall represent the school district at hearings on a petition filed under RCW 28A.225.030 or 28A.225.015. (10) The court may permit the first hearing to be held without requiring that either party be represented by legal counsel, and to be held without a guardian ad litem for the child under RCW 4.08.050. At the request of the school district, the court shall permit a school district representative who is not an attorney to represent the school district at any future hearings.
- (11) If the child is in a special education program or has a diagnosed mental or emotional disorder, the court shall inquire as to what efforts the school district has made to assist the child in attending school.
- (12) If the allegations in the petition are established by a preponderance of the evidence, the court shall grant the petition and enter an order assuming jurisdiction to intervene for the period of time determined by the court, after considering the facts alleged in the petition and the circumstances of the juvenile, to most likely cause the

juvenile to return to and remain in school while the juvenile is subject to this chapter. In no case may the order expire before the end of the school year in which it is entered

- (13)(a) If the court assumes jurisdiction, the school district shall periodically report to the court any additional unexcused absences by the child, actions taken by the school district, and an update on the child's academic status in school at a schedule specified by the court.
- (b) The first report under this subsection (13) must be received no later than three months from the date that the court assumes jurisdiction.
- (14) Community truancy boards and the courts shall coordinate, to the extent possible, proceedings and actions pertaining to children who are subject to truancy petitions and at-risk youth petitions in RCW 13.32A.191 or child in need of services petitions in RCW 13.32A.140.
- (15) If after a juvenile court assumes jurisdiction in one county the child relocates to another county, the juvenile court in the receiving county shall, upon the request of a school district or parent, assume jurisdiction of the petition filed in the previous county.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 28A.225 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) Subject to funds appropriated for this purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall allocate to therapeutic truancy boards grant funds that may be used to supplement existing funds in order to pay for training for board members or the provision of services and treatment to children and their families.
- (2) The superintendent of public instruction must select grant recipients based on the criteria in this section. This is a competitive grant process. A prerequisite to applying for either or both grants is a memoranda of understanding, between a school district and a court, to institute a new or maintain an existing therapeutic truancy board that meets the requirements of RCW 28A.225.025.
- (3) Successful applicants for an award of grant funds to supplement existing funds to pay for the training of therapeutic truancy board members must commit to the provision of training to board members regarding the identification of barriers to school attendance, the use of the Washington assessment of the risks and needs of students (WARNS) or other assessment tools to identify the specific needs of individual children, traumainformed approaches to discipline, research about adverse childhood experiences, evidence-based treatments and culturally appropriate promising practices, as well as the specific academic and community services and treatments available in the school, court, community, and elsewhere. This training may be provided by educational service districts.
- (4) Successful applicants for an award of grant funds to supplement existing funds to pay for services and treatments provided to children and their families must commit to the provision of academic services such as tutoring, credit retrieval and school reengagement supports, community services, and evidence-based treatments that have been found to be effective in

- supporting at-risk youth and their families, such as functional family therapy, or those that have been shown to be culturally appropriate promising practices.
- Sec. 7. RCW 28A.225.090 and 2009 c 266 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A court may order a child subject to a petition under RCW 28A.225.035 to do one or more of the following:
- (a) Attend the child's current school, and set forth minimum attendance requirements, including suspensions;
- (b) If there is space available and the program can provide educational services appropriate for the child, order the child to attend another public school, an alternative education program, center, a skill center, dropout prevention program, or another public educational program;
- (c) Attend a private nonsectarian school or program including an education center. Before ordering a child to attend an approved or certified private nonsectarian school or program, the court shall: (i) Consider the public and private programs available; (ii) find that placement is in the best interest of the child; and (iii) find that the private school or program is willing to accept the child and will not charge any fees in addition to those established by contract with the student's school district. If the court orders the child to enroll in a private school or program, the child's school district shall contract with the school or program to provide educational services for the child. The school district shall not be required to contract for a weekly rate that exceeds the state general apportionment dollars calculated on a weekly basis generated by the child and received by the district. A school district shall not be required to enter into a contract that is longer than the remainder of the school year. A school district shall not be required to enter into or continue a contract if the child is no longer enrolled in the district:
- (d) Be referred to a community truancy board, if available; ((or))
- (e) Submit to testing for the use of controlled substances or alcohol based on a determination that such testing is appropriate to the circumstances and behavior of the child and will facilitate the child's compliance with the mandatory attendance law and, if any test ordered under this subsection indicates the use of controlled substances or alcohol, order the minor to abstain from the unlawful consumption of controlled substances or alcohol and adhere to the recommendations of the drug assessment at no expense to the school; or
- (f) Submit to a temporary placement in a crisis residential center if the court determines there is an immediate health and safety concern, or a family conflict with the need for mediation.
- (2) If the child fails to comply with the court order, the court may order the child to be subject to detention, as provided in RCW 7.21.030(2)(e), or may impose alternatives to detention such as community restitution. Failure by a child to comply with an order issued under this subsection shall not be subject to detention for a period greater than that permitted pursuant to a civil contempt proceeding against a child under chapter 13.32A RCW. Detention ordered under this subsection

may be for no longer than seven days. Detention ordered under this subsection shall preferably be served at a crisis residential center close to the child's home rather than in a juvenile detention facility. A warrant of arrest for a child under this subsection may not be served on a child inside of school during school hours in a location where other students are present.

(3) Any parent violating any of the provisions of either RCW 28A.225.010, 28A.225.015, or 28A.225.080 shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars for each day of unexcused absence from school. The court shall remit fifty percent of the fine collected under this section to the child's school district. It shall be a defense for a parent charged with violating RCW 28A.225.010 to show that he or she exercised reasonable diligence in attempting to cause a child in his or her custody to attend school or that the child's school did not perform its duties as required in RCW 28A.225.020. The court may order the parent to provide community restitution instead of imposing a fine. Any fine imposed pursuant to this section may be suspended upon the condition that a parent charged with violating RCW 28A.225.010 shall participate with the school and the child in a supervised plan for the child's attendance at school or upon condition that the parent attend a conference or conferences scheduled by a school for the purpose of analyzing the causes of a child's absence.

(4) If a child continues to be truant after entering into a court-approved order with the truancy board under RCW 28A.225.035, the juvenile court shall find the child in contempt, and the court may order the child to be subject to detention, as provided in RCW 7.21.030(2)(e), or may impose alternatives to detention such as meaningful community restitution. Failure by a child to comply with an order issued under this subsection may not subject a child to detention for a period greater than that permitted under a civil contempt proceeding against a child under chapter 13.32A RCW.

(5) Subsections (1), (2), and (4) of this section shall not apply to a six or seven year old child required to attend public school under RCW 28A.225.015.

Sec. 8. RCW 43.185C.315 and 2015 c 69 s 22 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The department shall establish HOPE centers that provide no more than seventy-five beds across the state and may establish HOPE centers by contract, within funds appropriated by the legislature specifically for this purpose. HOPE centers shall be operated in a manner to reasonably assure that street youth placed there will not run away. Street youth may leave a HOPE center during the course of the day to attend school or other necessary appointments, but the street youth must be accompanied by an administrator or an administrator's designee. The street youth must provide the administration with specific information regarding his or her destination and expected time of return to the HOPE center. Any street youth who runs away from a HOPE center shall not be readmitted unless specifically authorized by the street youth's placement and liaison specialist, and the placement and liaison specialist shall document with specific factual findings an appropriate basis for readmitting any street youth to a HOPE center. HOPE centers are required to have the following:

(((1))) (a) A license issued by the department of social and health services;

(((2))) (b) A professional with a master's degree in counseling, social work, or related field and at least one year of experience working with street youth or a bachelor of arts degree in social work or a related field and five years of experience working with street youth. This professional staff person may be contractual or a part-time employee, but must be available to work with street youth in a HOPE center at a ratio of one to every fifteen youth staying in a HOPE center. This professional shall be known as a placement and liaison specialist. Preference shall be given to those professionals cross-credentialed in mental health and chemical dependency. The placement and liaison specialist shall:

(((a))) (i) Conduct an assessment of the street youth that includes a determination of the street youth's legal status regarding residential placement;

(((b))) (ii) Facilitate the street youth's return to his or her legally authorized residence at the earliest possible date or initiate processes to arrange legally authorized appropriate placement. Any street youth who may meet the definition of dependent child under RCW 13.34.030 must be referred to the department of social and health services. The department of social and health services shall determine whether a dependency petition should be filed under chapter 13.34 RCW. A shelter care hearing must be held within seventy-two hours to authorize outof-home placement for any youth the department of social and health services determines is appropriate for out-of-home placement under chapter 13.34 RCW. All of the provisions of chapter 13.32A RCW must be followed for children in need of services or at-risk youth; (((c))) (iii) Interface with other relevant resources and system representatives to secure long-term residential placement and other needed services for the street youth; (((d))) (iv) Be assigned immediately to each youth and meet with the youth within eight hours of the youth receiving HOPE center services;

(((e))) (v) Facilitate a physical examination of any street youth who has not seen a physician within one year prior to residence at a HOPE center and facilitate evaluation by a county-designated mental health professional, a chemical dependency specialist, or both if appropriate; and

(((f))) (vi) Arrange an educational assessment to measure the street youth's competency level in reading, writing, and basic mathematics, and that will measure learning disabilities or special needs;

(((3))) (c) Staff trained in development needs of street youth as determined by the department, including an administrator who is a professional with a master's degree in counseling, social work, or a related field and at least one year of experience working with street youth, or a bachelor of arts degree in social work or a related field and five years of experience working with street youth, who must work with the placement and liaison specialist to provide appropriate services on site;

(((4))) (d) A data collection system that measures outcomes for the population served, and enables research and evaluation that can be used for future program development and service delivery. Data collection systems must have confidentiality rules and protocols developed by the department;

(((5))) (e) Notification requirements that meet the notification requirements of chapter 13.32A RCW. The youth's arrival date and time must be logged at intake by HOPE center staff. The staff must immediately notify law enforcement and dependency caseworkers if a street youth runs away from a HOPE center. A child may be transferred to a secure facility as defined in RCW 13.32A.030 whenever the staff reasonably believes that a street youth is likely to leave the HOPE center and not return after full consideration of the factors set forth in RCW 43.185C.290(2)(a) (i) and (ii). The street youth's temporary placement in the HOPE center must be authorized by the court or the secretary of the department of social and health services if the youth is a dependent of the state under chapter 13.34 RCW or the department of social and health services is responsible for the youth under chapter 13.32A RCW, or by the youth's parent or legal custodian, until such time as the parent can retrieve the youth who is returning to home;

(((6))) (f) HOPE centers must identify to the department of social and health services any street youth it serves who is not returning promptly to home. The department of social and health services then must contact the missing children's clearinghouse identified in chapter 13.60 RCW and either report the youth's location or report that the youth is the subject of a dependency action and the parent should receive notice from the department of social and health services; and

 $((\tilde{(7)}))$  (g) Services that provide counseling and education to the street youth((; and)).

(((8))) (2) The department shall award contracts for the operation of HOPE center beds with the goal of facilitating the coordination of services provided for youth by such programs and those services provided by secure and semi-secure crisis residential centers.

(3) Subject to funds appropriated for this purpose, the beds available in HOPE centers shall be increased incrementally beyond the limit of seventy-five set forth in subsection (1) of this section. The additional capacity shall be distributed around the state based upon need and, to the extent feasible, shall be geographically situated so that HOPE beds are available across the state. In determining the need for increased numbers of HOPE beds in a particular county or counties, one of the considerations should be the volume of truancy petitions filed there.

Sec. 9. RCW 43.185C.320 and 2015 c 69 s 23 are each amended to read as follows:

To be eligible for placement in a HOPE center, a minor must be either a street youth, as that term is defined in this chapter, or a youth who, without placement in a HOPE center, will continue to participate in increasingly risky behavior, including truancy. Youth may also self-refer to a HOPE center. Payment for a HOPE center bed is not contingent upon prior approval by the department; however, approval from the department of social and

health services is needed if the youth is dependent under chapter 13.34 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. A new section is added to chapter 43.185C RCW to read as follows:

Subject to funds appropriated for this purpose, the capacity available in crisis residential centers established pursuant to this chapter shall be increased incrementally in order to accommodate truant students found in contempt of a court order to attend school. The additional capacity shall be distributed around the state based upon need and, to the extent feasible, shall be geographically situated so that crisis residential centers are available for use by all courts.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall develop recommendations as to how mandatory school attendance and truancy amelioration provisions under chapter 28A.225 RCW should be applied to online schools and report back to the relevant committees of the legislature by November 1, 2016.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. (1) The educational opportunity gap oversight and accountability committee shall conduct a review and make recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature with respect to:

- (a) The cultural competence training that therapeutic truancy board members, as well as others involved in the truancy process, should receive;
- (b) Best practices for supporting and facilitating parent and community involvement and outreach; and
- (c) The cultural relevance of the assessments employed to identify barriers to attendance and the treatments and tools provided to children and their families.
- (2) By June 30, 2017, a preliminary review shall be completed and preliminary recommendations provided. The review shall be completed, and a report and final recommendations provided, by December 1, 2017.
- (3) For the purposes of this section, "cultural competence" includes knowledge of children's cultural histories and contexts, as well as family norms and values in different cultures; knowledge and skills in accessing community resources and community and parent outreach; and skills in adapting instruction and treatment to children's experiences and identifying cultural contexts for individual children.
- (4) This section expires July 1, 2018.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 28A.225 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The Washington state institute for public policy shall conduct a study of local practices that address truancy. The study must include:
- (a) A systematic review of the research literature on the effectiveness of the various practices in reducing absenteeism, fostering school engagement, improving academic performance and achievement, increasing graduation rates, and decreasing dropout rates; and
- (b) An outcome evaluation of the impact on the outcomes listed in (a) of this subsection from local practices including, but not limited to, therapeutic truancy boards under RCW 28A.225.025 and section 6 of this act.

- (2) In conducting its analysis, the Washington state institute for public policy may consult with employees and access data systems of the office of the superintendent of public instruction, any educational service district or school district, and the administrative office of the courts, each of which shall provide the Washington state institute for public policy with access to necessary data and administrative systems.
- (3) The Washington state institute for public policy shall report the findings of the study under subsection (1)(a) of this section to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2017, and the findings of the evaluation under subsection (1)(b) of this section by December 1, 2022.
- (4) This section expires August 1, 2023.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. A new section is added to chapter 2.56 RCW to read as follows:

To accurately track the extent to which courts order youth into a secure detention facility in Washington state for the violation of a court order related to a truancy, atrisk youth, or a child in need of services petition, all juvenile courts shall transmit youth-level secure detention data to the administrative office of the courts. Data may either be entered into the statewide management information system for juvenile courts or securely transmitted to the administrative office of the courts at least monthly. Juvenile courts shall provide, at a minimum, the name and date of birth for the youth, the court case number assigned to the petition, the reasons for admission to the juvenile detention facility, the date of admission, the date of exit, and the time the youth spent in secure confinement. Courts are also encouraged to report individual-level data reflecting whether a detention alternative, such as electronic monitoring, was used, and the time spent in detention alternatives. The administrative office of the courts and the juvenile court administrators must work to develop uniform data standards for detention. The administrative office of the courts shall deliver an annual statewide report to the legislature that details the number of Washington youth who are placed into detention facilities during the preceding calendar year. The first report shall be delivered by March 1, 2017, and shall detail the most serious reason for detention and youth gender, race, and ethnicity. The report must have a specific emphasis on youth who are detained for reasons relating to a truancy, at-risk youth, or a child in need of services petition.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. This act shall be known and cited as the keeping kids in school act."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

SSB 6498

February 26, 2016 mmittee on Law &

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Law & Justice: Concerning testimonial privileges for alcohol and drug addiction recovery sponsors. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Haler; Hansen; Kirby; Klippert; Kuderer; Muri; Orwall and Stokesbary.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative Shea, Assistant Ranking Minority Member.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6519

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Expanding patient access to health services through telemedicine and establishing a collaborative for the advancement of telemedicine. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

ESSB 6528

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Trade & Economic Development: Enacting the cybersecurity jobs act. Reported by Committee on Technology & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

On page 6, after line 14, insert the following: "NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 43.105 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The office must evaluate the extent to which the state is building upon its existing expertise in information technology to become a national leader in cybersecurity, as described in section 1(6) of this act, by periodically evaluating the state's performance in achieving the following objectives:
- (a) High levels of compliance with the state's information technology security policy and standards, as demonstrated by the attestation that state agencies make annually to the office in which they report their implementation of best practices identified by the office; (b) Achieving recognition from the federal government as a leader in cybersecurity, as evidenced by federal

dollars received for ongoing efforts or for piloting cybersecurity programs;

- (c) Developing future leaders in cybersecurity, as evidenced by an increase in the number of students trained, and cybersecurity programs enlarged in educational settings from a January 1, 2016, baseline;
- (d) Broad participation in cybersecurity trainings and exercises or outreach, as evidenced by the number of events and the number of participants;
- (e) Full coverage and protection of state information technology assets by a centralized cybersecurity protocol; and
- (f) Adherence by state agencies to recovery and resilience plans post cyber attack.
- (2) The office is encouraged to collaborate with community colleges, universities, the department of commerce, and other stakeholders in obtaining the information necessary to measure its progress in achieving these objectives.
- (3) Before December 1, 2020, the office must report to the legislature:
- (a) Its performance in achieving the objectives described in subsection (1) of this section; and
- (b) Its recommendations, if any, for additional or different metrics that would improve measurement of the effectiveness of the state's efforts to maintain leadership in cybersecurity.
- (4) This section expires October 1, 2021."

Renumber the remaining section consecutively, correct any internal references accordingly, and correct the title. On page 6, line 16, after "act" insert "of 2016"

Signed by Representatives Morris, Chair; Tarleton, Vice Chair; Smith, Ranking Minority Member; DeBolt, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fey; Hudgins; Magendanz; Nealey; Rossetti; Wylie and Young.

Passed to Committee on General Government & Information Technology.

February 26, 2016

E2SSB 6534

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Establishing a maternal mortality review panel. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 70.54 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) For the purposes of this section, "maternal mortality" or "maternal death" means a death of a woman while pregnant or within one year of delivering or following the end of a pregnancy, whether or not the woman's death is related to or aggravated by the pregnancy.
- (2) A maternal mortality review panel is established to conduct comprehensive, multidisciplinary reviews of maternal deaths in Washington to identify factors associated with the deaths and make recommendations for system changes to improve health care services for

women in this state. The members of the panel must be appointed by the secretary of the department of health, must serve without compensation, and may include:

- (a) An obstetrician;
- (b) A physician specializing in maternal fetal medicine;
- (c) A neonatologist;
- (d) A midwife with licensure in the state of Washington;
- (e) A representative from the department of health who works in the field of maternal and child health;
- (f) A department of health epidemiologist with experience analyzing perinatal data;
- (g) A pathologist; and
- (h) A representative of the community mental health centers.
- (3) The maternal mortality review panel must conduct comprehensive, multidisciplinary reviews of maternal mortality in Washington. The panel may not call witnesses or take testimony from any individual involved in the investigation of a maternal death or enforce any public health standard or criminal law or otherwise participate in any legal proceeding relating to a maternal death.
- (4)(a) Information, documents, proceedings, records, and opinions created, collected, or maintained by the maternity mortality review panel or the department of health in support of the maternal mortality review panel are confidential and are not subject to public inspection or copying under chapter 42.56 RCW and are not subject to discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil or criminal action.
- (b) Any person who was in attendance at a meeting of the maternal mortality review panel or who participated in the creation, collection, or maintenance of the panel's information, documents, proceedings, records, or opinions may not be permitted or required to testify in any civil or criminal action as to the content of such proceedings, or the panel's information, documents, records, or opinions. This subsection does not prevent a member of the panel from testifying in a civil or criminal action concerning facts which form the basis for the panel's proceedings of which the panel member had personal knowledge acquired independently of the panel or which is public information.
- (c) Any person who, in substantial good faith, participates as a member of the maternal mortality review panel or provides information to further the purposes of the maternal mortality review panel may not be subject to an action for civil damages or other relief as a result of the activity or its consequences.
- (d) All meetings, proceedings, and deliberations of the maternal mortality review panel may, at the discretion of the maternal mortality review panel, be confidential and may be conducted in executive session.
- (e) The maternal mortality review panel and the secretary of the department of health may retain identifiable information regarding facilities where maternal deaths, or from which the patient was transferred, occur and geographic information on each case solely for the purposes of trending and analysis over time. All individually identifiable information must be removed before any case review by the panel.

- (5) The department of health shall review department available data to identify maternal deaths. To aid in determining whether a maternal death was related to or aggravated by the pregnancy, and whether it was preventable, the department of health has the authority to:
- (a) Request and receive data for specific maternal deaths including, but not limited to, all medical records, autopsy reports, medical examiner reports, coroner reports, and social service records; and
- (b) Request and receive data as described in (a) of this subsection from health care providers, health care facilities, clinics, laboratories, medical examiners, coroners, professions and facilities licensed by the department of health, local health jurisdictions, the health care authority and its licensees and providers, and the department of social and health services and its licensees and providers.
- (6) Upon request by the department of health, health care providers, health care facilities, clinics, laboratories, medical examiners, coroners, professions and facilities licensed by the department of health, local health jurisdictions, the health care authority and its licensees and providers, and the department of social and health services and its licensees and providers must provide all medical records, autopsy reports, medical examiner reports, coroner reports, social services records, information and records related to sexually transmitted diseases, and other data requested for specific maternal deaths as provided for in subsection (5) of this section to the department.
- (7) By July 1, 2017, and biennially thereafter, the maternal mortality review panel must submit a report to the secretary of the department of health and the health care committees of the senate and house of representatives. The report must protect the confidentiality of all decedents and other participants involved in any incident. The report must be distributed to relevant stakeholder groups for performance improvement. Interim results may be shared at the Washington state hospital association coordinated quality improvement program. The report must include the following:
- (a) A description of the maternal deaths reviewed by the panel during the preceding twenty-four months, including statistics and causes of maternal deaths presented in the aggregate, but the report must not disclose any identifying information of patients, decedents, providers, and organizations involved; and
- (b) Evidence-based system changes and possible legislation to improve maternal outcomes and reduce preventable maternal deaths in Washington.
- Sec. 2. RCW 42.56.360 and 2014 c 223 s 17 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The following health care information is exempt from disclosure under this chapter:
- (a) Information obtained by the pharmacy quality assurance commission as provided in RCW 69.45.090;
- (b) Information obtained by the pharmacy quality assurance commission or the department of health and its representatives as provided in RCW 69.41.044, 69.41.280, and 18.64.420;

- (c) Information and documents created specifically for, and collected and maintained by a quality improvement committee under RCW 43.70.510, 70.230.080, or 70.41.200, or by a peer review committee under RCW 4.24.250, or by a quality assurance committee pursuant to RCW 74.42.640 or 18.20.390, or by a hospital, as defined in RCW 43.70.056, for reporting of health careassociated infections under RCW 43.70.056, a notification of an incident under RCW 70.56.040(5), and reports regarding adverse events under RCW 70.56.020(2)(b), regardless of which agency is in possession of the information and documents;
- (d)(i) Proprietary financial and commercial information that the submitting entity, with review by the department of health, specifically identifies at the time it is submitted and that is provided to or obtained by the department of health in connection with an application for, or the supervision of, an antitrust exemption sought by the submitting entity under RCW 43.72.310;
- (ii) If a request for such information is received, the submitting entity must be notified of the request. Within ten business days of receipt of the notice, the submitting entity shall provide a written statement of the continuing need for confidentiality, which shall be provided to the requester. Upon receipt of such notice, the department of health shall continue to treat information designated under this subsection (1)(d) as exempt from disclosure;
- (iii) If the requester initiates an action to compel disclosure under this chapter, the submitting entity must be joined as a party to demonstrate the continuing need for confidentiality;
- (e) Records of the entity obtained in an action under RCW 18.71.300 through 18.71.340;
- (f) Complaints filed under chapter 18.130 RCW after July 27, 1997, to the extent provided in RCW 18.130.095(1);
- (g) Information obtained by the department of health under chapter 70.225 RCW;
- (h) Information collected by the department of health under chapter 70.245 RCW except as provided in RCW 70.245.150;
- (i) Cardiac and stroke system performance data submitted to national, state, or local data collection systems under RCW 70.168.150(2)(b);
- (j) All documents, including completed forms, received pursuant to a wellness program under RCW 41.04.362, but not statistical reports that do not identify an individual: and
- (k) Data and information exempt from disclosure under RCW 43.371.040.
- (2) Chapter 70.02 RCW applies to public inspection and copying of health care information of patients.
- (3)(a) Documents related to infant mortality reviews conducted pursuant to RCW 70.05.170 are exempt from disclosure as provided for in RCW 70.05.170(3).
- (b)(i) If an agency provides copies of public records to another agency that are exempt from public disclosure under this subsection (3), those records remain exempt to the same extent the records were exempt in the possession of the originating entity.
- (ii) For notice purposes only, agencies providing exempt records under this subsection (3) to other agencies may

mark any exempt records as "exempt" so that the receiving agency is aware of the exemption, however whether or not a record is marked exempt does not affect whether the record is actually exempt from disclosure.

(4) Information and documents related to maternal mortality reviews conducted pursuant to section 1 of this act are confidential and exempt from public inspection and copying.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act expires June 30, 2020."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

#### SSB 6536

February 26, 2016

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Addressing the filing and rating of group health benefit plans other than small group plans, all stand-alone dental plans, and stand-alone vision plans by disability insurers, health care service contractors, and health maintenance organizations. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

#### SSB 6558

February 26, 2016

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Allowing a hospital pharmacy license to include individual practitioner offices and multipractitioner clinics owned and operated by a hospital and ensuring such offices and clinics are inspected according to the level of service provided. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 18.64 RCW to read as follows:

The intent of this legislation is to make clear the legislature's directive to the commission to allow hospital pharmacy licenses to include individual practitioner offices and multipractitioner clinics owned, operated, or under common control with a hospital and that such offices and clinics are regulated, inspected, and

investigated according to the level of service provided. While legislation providing for such a system was enacted in 2015, it has yet to be implemented. The legislature wishes to specify a clear timeline for implementation.

Sec. 2. RCW 18.64.043 and 2015 c 234 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The owner of each pharmacy shall pay an original license fee to be determined by the secretary, and annually thereafter, on or before a date to be determined by the secretary, a fee to be determined by the secretary, for which he or she shall receive a license of location, which shall entitle the owner to operate such pharmacy at the location specified, or such other temporary location as the secretary may approve, for the period ending on a date to be determined by the secretary as provided in RCW 43.70.250 and 43.70.280, and each such owner shall at the time of filing proof of payment of such fee as provided in RCW 18.64.045 as now or hereafter amended, file with the ((department)) commission on a blank therefor provided, a declaration of ownership and location, which declaration of ownership and location so filed as aforesaid shall be deemed presumptive evidence of ownership of the pharmacy mentioned therein.

(2)(a) For a hospital licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW, the license of location provided under this section may include any individual practitioner's office or multipractitioner clinic owned ((and)), operated ((by)), or under common control with a hospital, and identified by the hospital on the pharmacy application or renewal. ((A hospital that elects to include one or more offices or clinics under this subsection on its pharmacy application must maintain the office or clinic under its pharmacy license through at least one pharmacy inspection or twenty-four months. However, the department may, in its discretion, allow a change in licensure at an earlier time.)) The definition of "hospital" under RCW 70.41.020 to exclude "clinics, or physician's offices where patients are not regularly kept as bed patients for twenty-four hours or more," does not limit the ability of a hospital to include individual practitioner's offices or multipractitioner clinics owned, operated, or under common control with a hospital on the pharmacy application or renewal or otherwise prevent the implementation of this act. A hospital that elects to include one or more offices or clinics under this subsection on its hospital pharmacy application shall describe the type of services relevant to the practice of pharmacy provided at each such office or clinic as requested by the commission. Any updates to the application, renewal, or related forms that are necessary to accomplish the provision of this licensure option must be made no later than ninety days after the effective date of this section. Nothing in this section limits the ability of a hospital to transfer drugs to another location consistent with federal laws and RCW 70.41.490, regardless of whether or not an election has been made with respect to adding the receiving location to the hospital's pharmacy license under this section.

(b) This chapter must be interpreted in a manner that supports regulatory, inspection, and investigation

standards that are reasonable and appropriate based on the level of risk and the type of services provided in a pharmacy, including pharmacy services provided in a hospital and pharmacy services provided in an individual practitioner office or multipractitioner clinic owned, operated, or under common control with a hospital regardless of the office or clinic's physical address. The commission shall provide clear and specific information regarding the standards to which particular pharmacy services will be held, as appropriate, based on the type of pharmacy service provided at a particular location.

- (c) The secretary may adopt rules to establish an additional reasonable fee for any such office or clinic.
- (((2))) (3) It shall be the duty of the owner to immediately notify the ((department)) commission of any change of location ((or)), ownership, or licensure and to keep the license of location or the renewal thereof properly exhibited in said pharmacy.
- (((3))) (4) Failure to comply with this section shall be deemed a misdemeanor, and each day that said failure continues shall be deemed a separate offense.
- (((4))) (5) In the event such license fee remains unpaid on the date due, no renewal or new license shall be issued except upon compliance with administrative procedures, administrative requirements, and fees determined as provided in RCW 43.70.250 and 43.70.280
- (6) If the commission determines that rules are necessary for the immediate implementation of the inspection standards described in this section, it must adopt rules under the emergency rule-making process in RCW 34.05.350, with such emergency rules effective not later than ninety days after the effective date of this section. The commission shall then begin the process to adopt any necessary permanent rules in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW. The commission shall ensure that during the transition to the permanent rules adopted under this section, an emergency rule remains in effect without a break between the original emergency rule and any subsequent emergency rules that may be necessary. The commission shall ensure that during the transition to permanent rules there is no interruption in provision of the licensure option described under this section." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

E2SSB 6564

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Providing protections for persons with developmental disabilities. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds and declares that the prevalence of the abuse and neglect of individuals with developmental disabilities has become an issue that negatively affects the health and well-being of such individuals. In order to address this issue, the state seeks to increase visitation of clients who are classified at the highest risk of abuse and neglect based on the assessment of risk factors by developmental disabilities administration case managers, and to create an independent office of the developmental disabilities ombuds to monitor and report on services to persons with developmental disabilities.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 71A.12 RCW to read as follows:

At every developmental disabilities administration annual assessment, the case manager is required to meet with the client in an in-person setting. If the client is receiving personal care services or supported living services, the case manager must ask permission to view the client's living quarters and note his or her observations in the service episode record. If the case manager is unable to view the client's living quarters for any reason, the case manager must note this in his or her report along with the reason given for why this is not practicable at the current time.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 71A.12 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Within funds appropriated for this purpose, the developmental disabilities administration shall increase home visits for clients identified as having the highest risk of abuse and neglect.
- (2)(a) The developmental disabilities administration must develop a process to determine which of its clients who receive an annual developmental disabilities assessment are at highest risk of abuse or neglect. The administration may consider factors such as:
- (i) Whether the client lives with the client's caregiver and receives no other developmental disabilities administration services, or whether the client is largely or entirely dependent on a sole caregiver for assistance, and the caregiver is largely or entirely dependent on the client for his or her income;
- (ii) Whether the client has limited ability to supervise the caregiver, to express himself or herself verbally, has few community contacts, or no independent person outside the home is identified to assist the client;
- (iii) Whether the client has experienced a destabilizing event such as hospitalization, arrest, or victimization;
- (iv) Whether the client has been the subject of an adult protective services or child protective services referral in the past year; or
- (v) Whether the client lives in an environment that jeopardizes personal safety.
- (b) The developmental disabilities administration must visit those clients identified as having the highest risk of abuse or neglect at least once every four months, including unannounced visits as needed. This unannounced visit may replace a scheduled visit; however if the case manager is unable to meet with the

- client, a follow-up visit must be scheduled. A client may refuse to allow an unannounced visit to take place, but this fact must be noted.
- (3) The developmental disabilities administration may develop rules to implement this section.
- Sec. 4. RCW 74.34.300 and 2008 c 146 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The department ((may)) shall conduct a vulnerable adult fatality review in the event of a death of a vulnerable adult when the department has reason to believe that the death of the vulnerable adult may be related to the abuse, abandonment, exploitation, or neglect of the vulnerable adult, or may be related to the vulnerable adult's self-neglect, and the vulnerable adult was:
- (a) Receiving home and community-based services in his or her own home or licensed or certified settings, described under chapters 74.39 ((and)), 74.39A, 18.20, 70.128, and 71A.12 RCW, within sixty days preceding his or her death; or
- (b) Living in his or her own home or licensed or certified settings described under chapters 74.39, 74.39A, 18.20, 70.128, and 71A.12 RCW and was the subject of a report under this chapter received by the department within twelve months preceding his or her death.
- (2) When conducting a vulnerable adult fatality review of a person who had been receiving hospice care services before the person's death, the review shall provide particular consideration to the similarities between the signs and symptoms of abuse and those of many patients receiving hospice care services.
- (3) All files, reports, records, communications, and working papers used or developed for purposes of a fatality review are confidential and not subject to disclosure pursuant to RCW 74.34.095.
- (4) The department may adopt rules to implement this section.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. (1) There is created an office of the developmental disabilities ombuds. The department of commerce shall contract with a private. independent nonprofit organization to provide developmental disability ombuds services. The department of commerce shall designate, by a competitive bidding process, the nonprofit organization that will contract to operate the ombuds. The selection process must include consultation of stakeholders in the development of the request for proposals and evaluation of bids. The selected organization must have experience and the capacity to effectively communicate regarding developmental disabilities issues with policymakers, stakeholders, and the general public and must be prepared and able to provide all program and staff support necessary, directly or through subcontracts, to carry out all duties of the office.
- (2) The contracting organization and its subcontractors, if any, are not state agencies or departments, but instead are private, independent entities operating under contract with the state.
- (3) The governor or state may not revoke the designation of the organization contracted to provide the services of the ombuds except upon a showing of neglect of duty, misconduct, or inability to perform duties.

- (4) The department of commerce shall ensure that the ombuds staff has access to sufficient training or experience with issues relating to persons with developmental disabilities and the program and staff support necessary to enable the ombuds to effectively protect the interests of persons with developmental disabilities. The office of the developmental disabilities ombuds shall have the powers and duties to do the following:
- (a) Provide information as appropriate on the rights and responsibilities of persons receiving developmental disability administration services or other state services, and on the procedures for providing these services;
- (b) Investigate, upon its own initiative or upon receipt of a complaint, an administrative act related to a person with developmental disabilities alleged to be contrary to law, rule, or policy, imposed without an adequate statement of reason, or based on irrelevant, immaterial, or erroneous grounds; however, the ombuds may decline to investigate any complaint;
- (c) Monitor the procedures as established, implemented, and practiced by the department to carry out its responsibilities in the delivery of services to a person with developmental disabilities, with a view toward appropriate preservation of families and ensuring health and safety;
- (d) Review periodically the facilities and procedures of state institutions which serve persons with developmental disabilities and state-licensed facilities or residences;
- (e) Recommend changes in the procedures for addressing the needs of persons with developmental disabilities;
- (f) Submit annually, by November 1st, to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature a report analyzing the work of the office, including recommendations;
- (g) Establish procedures to protect the confidentiality of records and sensitive information to ensure that the identity of any complainant or person with developmental disabilities will not be disclosed without the written consent of the complainant or person, or upon court order;
- (h) Maintain independence and authority within the bounds of the duties prescribed by this chapter, insofar as this independence and authority is exercised in good faith and within the scope of contract; and
- (i) Carry out such other activities as determined by the department of commerce within the scope of this chapter.
- (5) The developmental disabilities ombuds must consult with stakeholders to develop a plan for future expansion of the ombuds into a model of individual ombuds services akin to the operations of the long-term care ombuds. The developmental disabilities ombuds shall report its progress and recommendations related to this subsection to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature by November 1, 2019.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Administration" means the developmental disabilities administration of the department of social and health services.
- (2) "Department" means the department of social and health services.
- (3) "Ombuds" means the office of the developmental disabilities ombuds.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. The ombuds shall collaborate and have a memoranda of agreement with the office of the state long-term care ombuds, the office of the family and children's ombuds, Washington protection and advocacy system, the mental health ombuds, and the office of the education ombuds to clarify authority in those situations where their mandates overlap.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. (1) A developmental disabilities ombuds shall not have participated in the paid provision of services to any person with developmental disabilities within the past year.

- (2) A developmental disabilities ombuds shall not have been employed in a governmental position with direct involvement in the licensing, certification, or regulation of a paid developmental disabilities service provider within the past year.
- (3) No developmental disabilities ombuds or any member of his or her immediate family may have, or have had within the past year, any significant ownership or investment interest in a paid provider of services to persons with developmental disabilities.
- (4) A developmental disabilities ombuds shall not be assigned to investigate a facility or provider of services which provides care or services to a member of that ombuds' immediate family.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. The ombuds shall treat all matters under investigation, including the identities of service recipients, complainants, and individuals from whom information is acquired, as confidential, except as far as disclosures may be necessary to enable the ombuds to perform the duties of the office and to support any recommendations resulting from an investigation. Upon receipt of information that by law is confidential or privileged, the ombuds shall maintain the confidentiality of such information and shall not further disclose or disseminate the information except as provided by applicable state or federal law. Investigative records of the office of the ombuds are confidential and are exempt from public disclosure under chapter 42.56 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. (1) Identifying information about complainants or witnesses is not subject to any method of legal compulsion and may not be revealed to the legislature or the governor except under the following circumstances: (a) The complainant or witness waives confidentiality; (b) under a legislative subpoena when there is a legislative investigation for neglect of duty or misconduct by the ombuds or ombuds' office when the identifying information is necessary to the investigation or inquiry by the governor as to neglect of duty or misconduct by the ombuds or ombuds' office when the identifying information is necessary to the investigation of the ombuds' acts. Consistently with this

- section, the ombuds must act to protect sensitive client information.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, "identifying information" includes the complainant's or witness's name, location, telephone number, likeness, social security number or other identification number, or identification of immediate family members.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. The privilege described in section 10 of this act does not apply when:

- (1) The ombuds or ombuds' staff member has direct knowledge of an alleged crime, and the testimony, evidence, or discovery sought is relevant to that allegation;
- (2) The ombuds or a member of the ombuds' staff has received a threat of, or becomes aware of a risk of, imminent serious harm to any person, and the testimony, evidence, or discovery sought is relevant to that threat or risk; or
- (3) The ombuds has been asked to provide general information regarding the general operation of, or the general processes employed at, the ombuds' office.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. (1) An employee of the office of the developmental disabilities ombuds is not liable for good faith performance of responsibilities under this chapter.

- (2) No discriminatory, disciplinary, or retaliatory action may be taken against an employee of the department, an employee of the department of commerce, an employee of a contracting agency of the department, a provider of developmental disabilities services, or a recipient of department services for any communication made, or information given or disclosed, to aid the office of the developmental disabilities ombuds in carrying out its responsibilities, unless the communication or information is made, given, or disclosed maliciously or without good faith. This subsection is not intended to infringe on the rights of the employer to supervise, discipline, or terminate an employee for other reasons.
- (3) All communications by an ombuds, if reasonably related to the requirements of that individual's responsibilities under this chapter and done in good faith, are privileged and that privilege serves as a defense in any action in libel or slander.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. When the ombuds or ombuds' staff member has reasonable cause to believe that any public official, employee, or other person has acted in a manner warranting criminal or disciplinary proceedings, the ombuds or ombuds' staff member shall report the matter, or cause a report to be made, to the appropriate authorities.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. The department and the department of health shall:

- (1) Allow the ombuds or the ombuds' designee to communicate privately with any person receiving services from the department, or any person who is part of a fatality or near fatality investigation involving a person with developmental disabilities, for the purposes of carrying out its duties under this chapter;
- (2) Permit the ombuds or the ombuds' designee physical access to state institutions serving persons with developmental disabilities and information in the possession of the department concerning state-licensed

facilities or residences for the purpose of carrying out its duties under this chapter;

(3) Upon the ombuds' request, grant the ombuds or the ombuds' designee the right to access, inspect, and copy all relevant information, records, or documents in the possession or control of the department or the department of health that the ombuds considers necessary in an investigation.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. Sections 5 through 14 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 43 RCW."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Kagi, Chair; Senn, Vice Chair; Walsh, Ranking Minority Member; Dent, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Hawkins; Kilduff; McCaslin; Ortiz-Self; Sawyer and Walkinshaw.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 26, 2016

SSB 6569

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Creating a task force on patient out-ofpocket costs. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Riccelli, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Harris, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Clibborn; DeBolt; Jinkins; Johnson; Moeller; Robinson; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

ESSB 6606

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Transportation: Concerning wholesale vehicle dealers. Reported by Committee on Business & Financial Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kirby, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair; Vick, Ranking Minority Member; McCabe, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Barkis; Blake; Dye; Hurst; Kochmar; Ryu and Santos.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 26, 2016

ESB 6631

Prime Sponsor, Senator Roach: Establishing a joint select committee to consider the political, economic, and security issues at Washington's largest ports. Reported by Committee on Technology & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) A joint select committee on Washington's largest ports is established, with members as provided in this subsection.
- (a) The president of the senate shall appoint as members the chair and ranking member of the committee on government operations and security and chair and ranking member of the committee on trade and economic development.
- (b) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint as members the chair and ranking member of the committee on local government and the chair and ranking member of the committee on technology and economic development.
- (2) The committee shall choose two cochairs from among its membership, one from the house of representatives and one from the senate. If one cochair belongs to the largest caucus in the house of representatives, then the other cochair must belong to the largest caucus in the senate. If one cochair belongs to the second largest caucus in the house of representatives, then the other cochair must belong to the second largest caucus in the senate.
- (3) The committee must develop recommendations that: (a) Consider the political, economic, and security issues facing Washington's largest ports;
- (b) Promote regulatory consistency and certainty in the areas of land use planning, permitting, and business development in a manner that supports Washington's largest ports;
- (c) Encourage cooperation and partnerships between local, state, federal, and private sectors to foster increased use of Washington's largest ports; and
- (d) Identify aspects of state policy that have an impact on Washington's largest ports.
- (4) Staff support for the committee must be provided by senate committee services and the house of representatives office of program research.
- (5) Members of the committee are reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120.
- (6) The expenses of the committee must be paid jointly by the senate and the house of representatives. Committee expenditures are subject to approval by the senate facilities and operations committee and the house of representatives executive rules committee, or their successor committees.
- (7) The committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature, consistent with RCW 43.01.036, by December 1, 2016.
- (8) For the purposes of this section, "Washington's largest ports" means the four port districts in the state that had the highest gross operating revenues in 2015.
- (9) This section expires December 1, 2016." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Morris, Chair; Tarleton, Vice Chair; Smith, Ranking Minority Member; DeBolt, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fey; Hudgins; Magendanz; Nealey; Rossetti and Young.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representative Wylie.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

# SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

February 24, 2016

SSB 6329

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Human Services, Mental Health & Housing: Creating the parent to parent program for individuals with developmental disabilities. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. For over thirty years, parent to parent programs for individuals with either developmental disabilities, or special health care needs, or both, have been providing emotional and informational support by matching parents seeking support with an experienced and trained support parent. The parent to parent program currently exists in thirty-one counties: Adams, Asotin, Benton, Chelan, Clallam, Clark, Columbia, Cowlitz, Douglas, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Kittitas, Lewis, Lincoln, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, Skagit, Snohomish, Spokane, Thurston, Walla Walla, Whatcom, Whitman, and Yakima. It is the legislature's goal to continue, support, and enhance the programs in these counties and expand these programs statewide by 2021.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 71A.14 RCW to read as follows:

The goals of the parent to parent program are to:

- (1) Provide early outreach, support, and education to parents who have a child with special health care needs; (2) Match a trained volunteer support parent with a new parent who has a child with similar needs to the child of the support parent; and
- (3) Provide parents with tools and resources to be successful as they learn to understand the support and advocacy needs of their children.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 71A.14 RCW to read as follows:

Subject to the availability of funds appropriated for this specific purpose, activities of the parent to parent program may include:

- (1) Outreach and support to newly identified parents of children with special health care needs;
- (2) Trainings that educate parents in ways to support their child and navigate the complex health, educational, and social systems;
- (3) Ongoing peer support from a trained volunteer support parent; and
- (4) Regular communication with other local programs to ensure consistent practices.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 71A.14 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Subject to the availability of funds appropriated for this specific purpose, the parent to parent program must be funded through the department and centrally administered through a pass-through to a Washington state lead organization that has extensive experience supporting and training support parents.
- (2) Through the contract with the lead organization, each local program must be locally administered by an organization that shall serve as the host organization.
- (3) Parents shall serve as advisors to the host organizations.
- (4) A parent or grandparent of a child with developmental disabilities or special health care needs shall provide program coordination and local program information.
- (5) The lead organization shall provide ongoing training to the host organizations and statewide program oversight and maintain statewide program information.
- (6) For the purpose of this act, "special health care needs" means disabilities, chronic illnesses or conditions, health related educational or behavioral problems, or the risk of developing such disabilities, conditions, illnesses or problems."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Kagi, Chair; Senn, Vice Chair; Walsh, Ranking Minority Member; Dent, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Hawkins; Kilduff; McCaslin; Ortiz-Self; Sawyer and Walkinshaw.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 24, 2016

ESSB 6406

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Commerce & Labor: Concerning certified public accountant firm mobility. Reported by Committee on Business & Financial Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kirby, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair; Vick, Ranking Minority Member; McCabe, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Barkis; Blake; Dye; Hurst; Kochmar; Ryu and Santos.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 25, 2016

2SSB 6408

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Concerning paraeducators. Reported by Committee on Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. PARAEDUCATOR PERFORMANCE STANDARDS. (1)(a) By September 1, 2016, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall adopt performance standards for paraeducator professional development and credentialing as described in this section. The purpose of

the standards is to address the knowledge and skills competencies a paraeducator needs to possess and exhibit in order to meet the varied needs of the students served

- (b) The adopted standards must be based on the recommendations of the paraeducator work group established under section 2, chapter 136, Laws of 2014.
- (2) The performance standards for paraeducator professional development and credentialing adopted under this section must clearly define the knowledge and skills competencies necessary for a paraeducator to, at a minimum:
- (a) Support educational outcomes;
- (b) Demonstrate professionalism and ethical practices;
- (c) Support a positive and safe learning environment; and
- (d) Communicate effectively and participate in the team process.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. PARAEDUCATOR ADVISORY BOARD. (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall establish a paraeducator advisory board with eleven members as follows:
- (a) A paraeducator, a teacher, a principal, a parent, an administrator, a human resources director, a union representative, a representative of a community-based organization, and a representative of the office of the superintendent of public instruction, each appointed by the superintendent of public instruction;
- (b) A representative of the community and technical college system appointed by the state board for community and technical colleges; and
- (c) A representative of the professional educator standards board, appointed by the professional educator standards board.
- (2) The purpose of the paraeducator advisory board is to provide guidance and leadership for the implementation of statewide performance standards for paraeducator professional development and credentialing described in section 1 of this act.
- (3) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the paraeducator advisory board shall:
- (a) In time for school districts to begin piloting the program in the 2017-18 school year, develop a curriculum and design a professional development program for paraeducators that meets the paraeducator performance standards described in section 1 of this act; (b) In time for school districts to begin piloting the program in the 2017-18 school year, develop a curriculum and design a professional development program for teachers and principals that focuses on working with paraeducators, including how teachers can direct a paraeducator working within their classrooms, and how principals can supervise and evaluate paraeducators;
- (c) Oversee and monitor the implementation of the professional development programs developed under this section in school districts that volunteer to pilot these programs as described in section 3 of this act;

- (d) Make recommendations to the legislature regarding statewide implementation of the professional development programs developed under this section, as required under section 3 of this act; and
- (e) Collaborate with the state board for community and technical colleges on aligning the credentials offered by the community and technical colleges with the paraeducator performance standards described in section 1 of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. SCHOOL DISTRICT PILOTS. (1)(a) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall select a diverse set of willing school districts to pilot the implementation of the professional development programs for paraeducators, teachers, and principals developed under section 2 of this act during the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.
- (b) By October 31, 2018, the school districts shall report to the paraeducator advisory board and the professional educator standards board with the outcomes of year one of the pilot and any recommendations for implementation of the professional development programs statewide. The outcomes reported must include: An analysis of the costs to the district to implement the paraeducator performance standards, including professional development costs, any costs to paraeducators to meet the standards, and the impact on the size and assignment of the paraeducators in the district as a result of the pilot.
- (2) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, by December 15, 2018, the paraeducator advisory board shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, that includes: The outcomes of the pilot; barriers to statewide implementation of the paraeducator performance standards, including estimated costs of statewide implementation to the state and to districts; recommended changes to state statutes necessary in order to implement the standards statewide; recommendations on a timeline for statewide implementation of the paraeducator performance standards; the effects of requiring paraeducators to obtain a paraeducator certificate; and any other recommendations or concerns developed by the paraeducator advisory board.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. **PROFESSIONAL** PARAEDUCATOR CERTIFICATION SYSTEM. (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the professional educator standards board shall design a uniform and externally administered professional-level certification assessment for paraeducators based on the paraeducator performance standards described in section 1 of this act. (2) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, by December 15, 2018, the professional educator standards board shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, that summarizes its work in the development of the assessment required under this section and makes recommendations for statewide implementation.

Sec. 5. RCW 28A.150.203 and 2009 c 548 s 102 are each amended to read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Basic education goal" means the student learning goals and the student knowledge and skills described under RCW 28A.150.210.
- (2) "Certificated administrative staff" means all those persons who are chief executive officers, chief administrative officers, confidential employees, supervisors, principals, or assistant principals within the meaning of RCW 41.59.020(4).
- (3) "Certificated employee" as used in this chapter and RCW 28A.195.010, 28A.405.100, 28A.405.210, 28A.405.240, 28A.405.250, 28A.405.300 through 28A.405.380, and chapter 41.59 RCW, means those persons who hold certificates as authorized by rule of the Washington professional educator standards board, but does not mean those persons working as paraeducators.
- (4) "Certificated instructional staff" means those persons employed by a school district who are nonsupervisory certificated employees within the meaning of RCW 41.59.020(8).
- (5) "Class size" means an instructional grouping of students where, on average, the ratio of students to teacher is the number specified.
- (6) "Classified employee" means a person who does not hold a professional education certificate, including a paraeducator, or who is employed in a position that does not require such a certificate.
- (7) "Classroom teacher" means a person who holds a professional education certificate and is employed in a position for which such certificate is required whose primary duty is the daily educational instruction of students. In exceptional cases, people of unusual competence but without certification may teach students so long as a certificated person exercises general supervision, but the hiring of such classified employees shall not occur during a labor dispute, and such classified employees shall not be hired to replace certificated employees during a labor dispute.
- (8) "Instructional program of basic education" means the minimum program required to be provided by school districts and includes instructional hour requirements and other components under RCW 28A.150.220.
- (9) "Paraeducator" means a classified employee who works under the supervision of a certificated employee to support and assist in providing instructional and other services to children and youth and their families. The certificated employee remains responsible for the overall conduct and management of the classroom or program including the design, implementation, and evaluation of the instructional programs and student progress.
- (10) "Program of basic education" means the overall program under RCW 28A.150.200 and deemed by the legislature to comply with the requirements of Article IX, section 1 of the state Constitution.
- (((10))) (11) "School day" means each day of the school year on which pupils enrolled in the common schools of a school district are engaged in academic and career and technical instruction planned by and under the direction of the school.

(((11))) (12) "School year" includes the minimum number of school days required under RCW 28A.150.220 and begins on the first day of September and ends with the last day of August, except that any school district may elect to commence the annual school term in the month of August of any calendar year and in such case the operation of a school district for such period in August shall be credited by the superintendent of public instruction to the succeeding school year for the purpose of the allocation and distribution of state funds for the support of such school district.

(((12))) (13) "Teacher planning period" means a period of a school day as determined by the administration and board of ((the)) directors of the district that may be used by teachers for instruction-related activities including but not limited to preparing instructional materials; reviewing student performance; recording student data; consulting with other teachers, instructional assistants, mentors, instructional coaches, administrators, and parents; or participating in professional development.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Sections 1 through 3 of this act are each added to chapter 28A.400 RCW."

Signed by Representatives Santos, Chair; Ortiz-Self, Vice Chair; Reykdal, Vice Chair; Magendanz, Ranking Minority Member; Muri, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Stambaugh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Caldier; Griffey; Hargrove; Hayes; Kilduff; Kuderer; McCaslin; Orwall; Pollet; Rossetti and Springer.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative Klippert.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representative Harris.

Passed to Committee on Appropriations.

February 24, 2016

SSB 6529

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Human Services, Mental Health & Housing: Strengthening opportunities for the rehabilitation and reintegration of juvenile offenders. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "Sec. 1. RCW 13.40.010 and 2004 c 120 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) This chapter shall be known and cited as the Juvenile Justice Act of 1977.
- (2) It is the intent of the legislature that a system capable of having primary responsibility for, being accountable for, and responding to the needs of youthful offenders and their victims, as defined by this chapter, be established. It is the further intent of the legislature that

youth, in turn, be held accountable for their offenses and that communities, families, and the juvenile courts carry out their functions consistent with this intent. To effectuate these policies, the legislature declares the following to be equally important purposes of this chapter:

- (a) Protect the citizenry from criminal behavior;
- (b) Provide for determining whether accused juveniles have committed offenses as defined by this chapter;
- (c) Make the juvenile offender accountable for his or her criminal behavior;
- (d) Provide for punishment commensurate with the age, crime, and criminal history of the juvenile offender;
- (e) Provide due process for juveniles alleged to have committed an offense;
- (f) Provide for the rehabilitation and reintegration of juvenile offenders;
- (g) Provide necessary treatment, supervision, and custody for juvenile offenders;
- (((g))) (h) Provide for the handling of juvenile offenders by communities whenever consistent with public safety; (((h))) (i) Provide for restitution to victims of crime;
- (((i))) (j) Develop effective standards and goals for the operation, funding, and evaluation of all components of the juvenile justice system and related services at the state and local levels:
- (((j))) (k) Provide for a clear policy to determine what types of offenders shall receive punishment, treatment, or both, and to determine the jurisdictional limitations of the courts, institutions, and community services;
- (((k))) (1) Provide opportunities for victim participation in juvenile justice process, including court hearings on juvenile offender matters, and ensure that Article I, section 35 of the Washington state Constitution, the victim bill of rights, is fully observed; and
- (((1))) (m) Encourage the parents, guardian, or custodian of the juvenile to actively participate in the juvenile justice process.
- Sec. 2. RCW 13.40.020 and 2014 c 110 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

For the purposes of this chapter:

- (1) "Assessment" means an individualized examination of a child to determine the child's psychosocial needs and problems, including the type and extent of any mental health, substance abuse, or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders, and recommendations for treatment. "Assessment" includes, but is not limited to, drug and alcohol evaluations, psychological and psychiatric evaluations, records review, clinical interview, and administration of a formal test or instrument;
- (2) "Community-based rehabilitation" means one or more of the following: Employment; attendance of information classes; literacy classes; counseling, outpatient substance abuse treatment programs, outpatient mental health programs, anger management classes, education or outpatient treatment programs to prevent animal cruelty, or other services including, when appropriate, restorative justice programs; or attendance at school or other educational programs appropriate for the juvenile as determined by the school district.

- Placement in community-based rehabilitation programs is subject to available funds;
- (3) "Community-based sanctions" may include one or more of the following:
- (a) A fine, not to exceed five hundred dollars;
- (b) Community restitution not to exceed one hundred fifty hours of community restitution;
- (4) "Community restitution" means compulsory service, without compensation, performed for the benefit of the community by the offender as punishment for committing an offense. Community restitution may be performed through public or private organizations or through work crews;
- (5) "Community supervision" means an order of disposition by the court of an adjudicated youth not committed to the department or an order granting a deferred disposition. A community supervision order for a single offense may be for a period of up to two years for a sex offense as defined by RCW 9.94A.030 and up to one year for other offenses. As a mandatory condition of any term of community supervision, the court shall order the juvenile to refrain from committing new offenses. As a mandatory condition of community supervision, the court shall order the juvenile to comply with the mandatory school attendance provisions of chapter 28A.225 RCW and to inform the school of the existence of this requirement. Community supervision is an individualized program comprised of one or more of the following:
- (a) Community-based sanctions;
- (b) Community-based rehabilitation;
- (c) Monitoring and reporting requirements;
- (d) Posting of a probation bond;
- (6) "Confinement" means physical custody by the department of social and health services in a facility operated by or pursuant to a contract with the state, or physical custody in a detention facility operated by or pursuant to a contract with any county. The county may operate or contract with vendors to operate county detention facilities. The department may operate or contract to operate detention facilities for juveniles committed to the department. Pretrial confinement or confinement of less than thirty-one days imposed as part of a disposition or modification order may be served consecutively or intermittently, in the discretion of the court:
- (7) "Court," when used without further qualification, means the juvenile court judge(s) or commissioner(s);
- (8) "Criminal history" includes all criminal complaints against the respondent for which, prior to the commission of a current offense:
- (a) The allegations were found correct by a court. If a respondent is convicted of two or more charges arising out of the same course of conduct, only the highest charge from among these shall count as an offense for the purposes of this chapter; or
- (b) The criminal complaint was diverted by a prosecutor pursuant to the provisions of this chapter on agreement of the respondent and after an advisement to the respondent that the criminal complaint would be considered as part of the respondent's criminal history. A successfully completed deferred adjudication that was

- entered before July 1, 1998, or a deferred disposition shall not be considered part of the respondent's criminal history;
- (9) "Department" means the department of social and health services;
- (10) "Detention facility" means a county facility, paid for by the county, for the physical confinement of a juvenile alleged to have committed an offense or an adjudicated offender subject to a disposition or modification order. "Detention facility" includes county group homes, inpatient substance abuse programs, juvenile basic training camps, and electronic monitoring;
- (11) "Diversion unit" means any probation counselor who enters into a diversion agreement with an alleged youthful offender, or any other person, community accountability board, youth court under the supervision of the juvenile court, or other entity except a law enforcement official or entity, with whom the juvenile court administrator has contracted to arrange and supervise such agreements pursuant to RCW 13.40.080, or any person, community accountability board, or other entity specially funded by the legislature to arrange and supervise diversion agreements in accordance with the requirements of this chapter. For purposes of this subsection, "community accountability board" means a board comprised of members of the local community in which the juvenile offender resides. The superior court shall appoint the members. The boards shall consist of at least three and not more than seven members. If possible, the board should include a variety of representatives from the community, such as a law enforcement officer, teacher or school administrator, high school student, parent, and business owner, and should represent the cultural diversity of the local community;
- (12) "Foster care" means temporary physical care in a foster family home or group care facility as defined in RCW 74.15.020 and licensed by the department, or other legally authorized care:
- (13) "Institution" means a juvenile facility established pursuant to chapters 72.05 and 72.16 through 72.20 RCW:
- (14) "Intensive supervision program" means a parole program that requires intensive supervision and monitoring, offers an array of individualized treatment and transitional services, and emphasizes community involvement and support in order to reduce the likelihood a juvenile offender will commit further offenses;
- (15) "Juvenile," "youth," and "child" mean any individual who is under the chronological age of eighteen years and who has not been previously transferred to adult court pursuant to RCW 13.40.110, unless the individual was convicted of a lesser charge or acquitted of the charge for which he or she was previously transferred pursuant to RCW 13.40.110 or who is not otherwise under adult court jurisdiction;
- (16) "Juvenile offender" means any juvenile who has been found by the juvenile court to have committed an offense, including a person eighteen years of age or older

- over whom jurisdiction has been extended under RCW 13.40.300:
- (17) "Labor" means the period of time before a birth during which contractions are of sufficient frequency, intensity, and duration to bring about effacement and progressive dilation of the cervix;
- (18) "Local sanctions" means one or more of the following: (a) 0-30 days of confinement; (b) 0-12 months of community supervision; (c) 0-150 hours of community restitution; or (d) \$0-\$500 fine;
- (19) "Manifest injustice" means a disposition that would either impose an excessive penalty on the juvenile or would impose a serious, and clear danger to society in light of the purposes of this chapter;
- (20) "Monitoring and reporting requirements" means one or more of the following: Curfews; requirements to remain at home, school, work, or court-ordered treatment programs during specified hours; restrictions from leaving or entering specified geographical areas; requirements to report to the probation officer as directed and to remain under the probation officer's supervision; and other conditions or limitations as the court may require which may not include confinement;
- (21) "Offense" means an act designated a violation or a crime if committed by an adult under the law of this state, under any ordinance of any city or county of this state, under any federal law, or under the law of another state if the act occurred in that state;
- (22) "Physical restraint" means the use of any bodily force or physical intervention to control a juvenile offender or limit a juvenile offender's freedom of movement in a way that does not involve a mechanical restraint. Physical restraint does not include momentary periods of minimal physical restriction by direct personto-person contact, without the aid of mechanical restraint, accomplished with limited force and designed
- (a) Prevent a juvenile offender from completing an act that would result in potential bodily harm to self or others or damage property;
- (b) Remove a disruptive juvenile offender who is unwilling to leave the area voluntarily; or
- (c) Guide a juvenile offender from one location to another:
- (23) "Postpartum recovery" means (a) the entire period a woman or youth is in the hospital, birthing center, or clinic after giving birth and (b) an additional time period, if any, a treating physician determines is necessary for healing after the youth leaves the hospital, birthing center, or clinic;
- (24) "Probation bond" means a bond, posted with sufficient security by a surety justified and approved by the court, to secure the offender's appearance at required court proceedings and compliance with court-ordered community supervision or conditions of release ordered pursuant to RCW 13.40.040 or 13.40.050. It also means a deposit of cash or posting of other collateral in lieu of a bond if approved by the court;
- (25) "Respondent" means a juvenile who is alleged or proven to have committed an offense;
- (26) "Restitution" means financial reimbursement by the offender to the victim, and shall be limited to easily

ascertainable damages for injury to or loss of property, actual expenses incurred for medical treatment for physical injury to persons, lost wages resulting from physical injury, and costs of the victim's counseling reasonably related to the offense. Restitution shall not include reimbursement for damages for mental anguish, pain and suffering, or other intangible losses. Nothing in this chapter shall limit or replace civil remedies or defenses available to the victim or offender;

- (27) "Restorative justice" means practices, policies, and programs informed by and sensitive to the needs of crime victims that are designed to encourage offenders to accept responsibility for repairing the harm caused by their offense by providing safe and supportive opportunities for voluntary participation and communication between the victim, the offender, their families, and relevant community members;
- (28) "Restraints" means anything used to control the movement of a person's body or limbs and includes:
- (a) Physical restraint; or
- (b) Mechanical device including but not limited to: Metal handcuffs, plastic ties, ankle restraints, leather cuffs, other hospital-type restraints, tasers, or batons;
- (29) "Screening" means a process that is designed to identify a child who is at risk of having mental health, substance abuse, or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders that warrant immediate attention, intervention, or more comprehensive assessment. A screening may be undertaken with or without the administration of a formal instrument;
- (30) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department of social and health services. "Assistant secretary" means the assistant secretary for juvenile rehabilitation for the department;
- (31) "Services" means services which provide alternatives to incarceration for those juveniles who have pleaded or been adjudicated guilty of an offense or have signed a diversion agreement pursuant to this chapter;
- (32) "Sex offense" means an offense defined as a sex offense in RCW 9.94A.030;
- (33) "Sexual motivation" means that one of the purposes for which the respondent committed the offense was for the purpose of his or her sexual gratification;
- (34) "Surety" means an entity licensed under state insurance laws or by the state department of licensing, to write corporate, property, or probation bonds within the state, and justified and approved by the superior court of the county having jurisdiction of the case;
- (35) "Transportation" means the conveying, by any means, of an incarcerated pregnant youth from the institution or detention facility to another location from the moment she leaves the institution or detention facility to the time of arrival at the other location, and includes the escorting of the pregnant incarcerated youth from the institution or detention facility to a transport vehicle and from the vehicle to the other location;
- (36) "Violation" means an act or omission, which if committed by an adult, must be proven beyond a reasonable doubt, and is punishable by sanctions which do not include incarceration;

- (37) "Violent offense" means a violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
- (38) "Youth court" means a diversion unit under the supervision of the juvenile court.
- Sec. 3. RCW 13.40.127 and 2015 c 265 s 26 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A juvenile is eligible for deferred disposition unless he or she:
- (a) Is charged with a sex or violent offense;
- (b) Has a criminal history which includes any felony;
- (c) Has a prior deferred disposition or deferred adjudication; or
- (d) Has two or more adjudications.
- (2) The juvenile court ((may)) shall, except as provided by subsection (3) of this section, upon motion at least fourteen days before commencement of trial and, after consulting the juvenile's custodial parent or parents or guardian and with the consent of the juvenile, continue the case for disposition for a period not to exceed one year from the date the juvenile is found guilty. ((The court shall consider whether the offender and the community will benefit from a deferred disposition before deferring the disposition.)) The court may waive the fourteen-day period anytime before the commencement of trial for good cause.
- (3) If a juvenile offender is charged with animal cruelty in the first degree, the juvenile court may deny granting a deferred disposition to the juvenile, even if the juvenile otherwise may qualify for a deferred disposition. The judge shall consider whether the community will benefit from granting a deferred disposition to the juvenile offender.
- (4) Any juvenile who agrees to a deferral of disposition shall:
- (a) Stipulate to the admissibility of the facts contained in the written police report;
- (b) Acknowledge that the report will be entered and used to support a finding of guilt and to impose a disposition if the juvenile fails to comply with terms of supervision;
- (c) Waive the following rights to: (i) A speedy disposition; and (ii) call and confront witnesses; and
- (d) Acknowledge the direct consequences of being found guilty and the direct consequences that will happen if an order of disposition is entered.
- The adjudicatory hearing shall be limited to a reading of the court's record.
- (((4))) (5) Following the stipulation, acknowledgment, waiver, and entry of a finding or plea of guilt, the court shall defer entry of an order of disposition of the juvenile.
- (((5))) (6) Any juvenile granted a deferral of disposition under this section shall be placed under community supervision. The court may impose any conditions of supervision that it deems appropriate including posting a probation bond. Payment of restitution under RCW 13.40.190 shall be a condition of community supervision under this section.

The court may require a juvenile offender convicted of animal cruelty in the first degree to submit to a mental health evaluation to determine if the offender would benefit from treatment and such intervention would promote the safety of the community. After consideration of the results of the evaluation, as a condition of community supervision, the court may order the offender to attend treatment to address issues pertinent to the offense.

The court may require the juvenile to undergo a mental health or substance abuse assessment, or both. If the assessment identifies a need for treatment, conditions of supervision may include treatment for the assessed need that has been demonstrated to improve behavioral health and reduce recidivism.

The court shall require a juvenile granted a deferral of disposition for unlawful possession of a firearm in violation of RCW 9.41.040 to participate in a qualifying program as described in RCW 13.40.193(2)(b), when available, unless the court makes a written finding based on the outcome of the juvenile court risk assessment that participation in a qualifying program would not be appropriate.

- (((6))) (7) A parent who signed for a probation bond has the right to notify the counselor if the juvenile fails to comply with the bond or conditions of supervision. The counselor shall notify the court and surety of any failure to comply. A surety shall notify the court of the juvenile's failure to comply with the probation bond. The state shall bear the burden to prove, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the juvenile has failed to comply with the terms of community supervision.
- (((7))) (8)(a) Anytime prior to the conclusion of the period of supervision, the prosecutor or the juvenile's juvenile court community supervision counselor may file a motion with the court requesting the court revoke the deferred disposition based on the juvenile's lack of compliance or treat the juvenile's lack of compliance as a violation pursuant to RCW 13.40.200.
- (b) If the court finds the juvenile failed to comply with the terms of the deferred disposition, the court may:
- (i) Revoke the deferred disposition and enter an order of disposition; or
- (ii) Impose sanctions for the violation pursuant to RCW 13.40.200.
- (((8))) (9) At any time following deferral of disposition the court may, following a hearing, continue supervision for an additional one-year period for good cause.
- (((9))) (10)(a) At the conclusion of the period of supervision, the court shall determine whether the juvenile is entitled to dismissal of the deferred disposition only when the court finds:
- (i) The deferred disposition has not been previously revoked;
- (ii) The juvenile has completed the terms of supervision;
- (iii) There are no pending motions concerning lack of compliance pursuant to subsection (((7))) (8) of this section; and
- (iv) The juvenile has either paid the full amount of restitution, or, made a good faith effort to pay the full amount of restitution during the period of supervision.
- (b) If the court finds the juvenile is entitled to dismissal of the deferred disposition pursuant to (a) of this subsection, the juvenile's conviction shall be vacated and the court shall dismiss the case with prejudice, except that a conviction under RCW 16.52.205 shall not be vacated. Whenever a case is dismissed with restitution

- still owing, the court shall enter a restitution order pursuant to RCW 7.80.130 for any unpaid restitution. Jurisdiction to enforce payment and modify terms of the restitution order shall be the same as those set forth in RCW 7.80.130.
- (c) If the court finds the juvenile is not entitled to dismissal of the deferred disposition pursuant to (a) of this subsection, the court shall revoke the deferred disposition and enter an order of disposition. A deferred disposition shall remain a conviction unless the case is dismissed and the conviction is vacated pursuant to (b) of this subsection or sealed pursuant to RCW 13.50.260. (((10))) (11)(a)(i) Any time the court vacates a conviction pursuant to subsection (((9))) (10) of this section, if the juvenile is eighteen years of age or older and the full amount of restitution owing to the individual victim named in the restitution order, excluding restitution owed to any insurance provider authorized under Title 48 RCW has been paid, the court shall enter a written order sealing the case.
- (ii) Any time the court vacates a conviction pursuant to subsection (((9))) (10) of this section, if the juvenile is not eighteen years of age or older and full restitution ordered has been paid, the court shall schedule an administrative sealing hearing to take place no later than thirty days after the respondent's eighteenth birthday, at which time the court shall enter a written order sealing the case. The respondent's presence at the administrative sealing hearing is not required.
- (iii) Any deferred disposition vacated prior to June 7, 2012, is not subject to sealing under this subsection.
- (b) Nothing in this subsection shall preclude a juvenile from petitioning the court to have the records of his or her deferred dispositions sealed under RCW 13.50.260.
- (c) Records sealed under this provision shall have the same legal status as records sealed under RCW 13.50.260.
- Sec. 4. RCW 13.40.308 and 2009 c 454 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) If a respondent is adjudicated of taking a motor vehicle without permission in the first degree as defined in RCW 9A.56.070, the court shall impose the following minimum sentence, in addition to any restitution the court may order payable to the victim:
- (a) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of zero to one-half points shall be sentenced to a standard range sentence that includes no less than three months of community supervision, forty five hours of community restitution, ((a two hundred dollar fine,)) and a requirement that the juvenile remain at home such that the juvenile is confined to a private residence for no less than five days. The juvenile may be subject to electronic monitoring where available. If the juvenile is enrolled in school, the confinement shall be served on nonschool days;
- (b) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of threequarters to one and one-half points shall be sentenced to a standard range sentence that includes six months of community supervision, no less than ten days of detention, and ninety hours of community restitution((, and a four hundred dollar fine)); and

- (c) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of two or more points shall be sentenced to no less than fifteen to thirty-six weeks commitment to the juvenile rehabilitation administration, four months of parole supervision, and ninety hours of community restitution((, and a four hundred dollar fine)).
- (2) If a respondent is adjudicated of theft of a motor vehicle as defined under RCW 9A.56.065, or possession of a stolen vehicle as defined under RCW 9A.56.068, the court shall impose the following minimum sentence, in addition to any restitution the court may order payable to the victim:
- (a) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of zero to one-half points shall be sentenced to a standard range sentence that includes no less than three months of community supervision((, forty-five hours of community restitution, a two hundred dollar fine,)) and either ninety hours of community restitution or a requirement that the juvenile remain at home such that the juvenile is confined in a private residence for no less than five days. The juvenile may be subject to electronic monitoring where available, or a combination thereof that includes a minimum of three days home confinement and a minimum of forty hours of community restitution;
- (b) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of threequarters to one and one-half points shall be sentenced to a standard range sentence that includes no less than six months of community supervision, no less than ten days of detention, and ninety hours of community restitution((, and a four hundred dollar fine)); and
- (c) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of two or more points shall be sentenced to no less than fifteen to thirty-six weeks commitment to the juvenile rehabilitation administration, four months of parole supervision, and ninety hours of community restitution((, and a four hundred dollar fine)).
- (3) If a respondent is adjudicated of taking a motor vehicle without permission in the second degree as defined in RCW 9A.56.075, the court shall impose a standard range as follows:
- (a) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of zero to one-half points shall be sentenced to a standard range sentence that includes three months of community supervision, fifteen hours of community restitution, and a requirement that the juvenile remain at home such that the juvenile is confined in a private residence for no less than one day. If the juvenile is enrolled in school, the confinement shall be served on nonschool days. The juvenile may be subject to electronic monitoring where available;
- (b) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of threequarters to one and one-half points shall be sentenced to a standard range sentence that includes no less than one day of detention, three months of community supervision, thirty hours of community restitution, ((a one hundred fifty dollar fine,)) and a requirement that the juvenile remain at home such that the juvenile is confined in a private residence for no less than two days. If the juvenile is enrolled in school, the confinement shall be served on nonschool days. The juvenile may be subject to electronic monitoring where available; and

- (c) Juveniles with a prior criminal history score of two or more points shall be sentenced to no less than three days of detention, six months of community supervision, forty five hours of community restitution, ((a one hundred fifty dollar fine,)) and a requirement that the juvenile remain at home such that the juvenile is confined in a private residence for no less than seven days. If the juvenile is enrolled in school, the confinement shall be served on nonschool days. The juvenile may be subject to electronic monitoring where available.
- Sec. 5. RCW 10.99.030 and 1996 c 248 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) All training relating to the handling of domestic violence complaints by law enforcement officers shall stress enforcement of criminal laws in domestic situations, availability of community resources, and protection of the victim. Law enforcement agencies and community organizations with expertise in the issue of domestic violence shall cooperate in all aspects of such training.
- (2) The criminal justice training commission shall implement by January 1, 1997, a course of instruction for the training of law enforcement officers in Washington in the handling of domestic violence complaints. The basic law enforcement curriculum of the criminal justice training commission shall include at least twenty hours of basic training instruction on the law enforcement response to domestic violence. The course of instruction, the learning and performance objectives, and the standards for the training shall be developed by the commission and focus on enforcing the criminal laws, safety of the victim, and holding the perpetrator accountable for the violence. The curriculum shall include training on the extent and prevalence of domestic violence, the importance of criminal justice intervention, techniques for responding to incidents that minimize the likelihood of officer injury and that promote victim safety, investigation and interviewing skills, evidence gathering and report writing, assistance to and services for victims and children, verification and enforcement of court orders, liability, and any additional provisions that are necessary to carry out the intention of this subsection.
- (3) The criminal justice training commission shall develop and update annually an in-service training program to familiarize law enforcement officers with the domestic violence laws. The program shall include techniques for handling incidents of domestic violence that minimize the likelihood of injury to the officer and that promote the safety of all parties. The commission shall make the training program available to all law enforcement agencies in the state.
- (4) Development of the training in subsections (2) and (3) of this section shall be conducted in conjunction with agencies having a primary responsibility for serving victims of domestic violence with emergency shelter and other services, and representatives to the statewide organization providing training and education to these organizations and to the general public.

- (5) The primary duty of peace officers, when responding to a domestic violence situation, is to enforce the laws allegedly violated and to protect the complaining party. (6)(a) When a peace officer responds to a domestic violence call and has probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed, the peace officer shall exercise arrest powers with reference to the criteria in RCW 10.31.100. The officer shall notify the victim of the victim's right to initiate a criminal proceeding in all cases where the officer has not exercised arrest powers or decided to initiate criminal proceedings by citation or otherwise. The parties in such cases shall also be advised of the importance of preserving evidence.
- (b) A peace officer responding to a domestic violence call shall take a complete offense report including the officer's disposition of the case.
- (7) When a peace officer responds to a domestic violence call, the officer shall advise victims of all reasonable means to prevent further abuse, including advising each person of the availability of a shelter or other services in the community, and giving each person immediate notice of the legal rights and remedies available. The notice shall include handing each person a copy of the following statement:
- "IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, you can ask the city or county prosecuting attorney to file a criminal complaint. You also have the right to file a petition in superior, district, or municipal court requesting an order for protection from domestic abuse which could include any of the following: (a) An order restraining your abuser from further acts of abuse; (b) an order directing your abuser to leave your household; (c) an order preventing your abuser from entering your residence, school, business, or place of employment; (d) an order awarding you or the other parent custody of or visitation with your minor child or children; and (e) an order restraining your abuser from molesting or interfering with minor children in your custody. The forms you need to obtain a protection order are available in any municipal, district, or superior court. Information about shelters and alternatives to domestic violence is available from a statewide twenty-four-hour toll-free hot line at (include appropriate phone number). The battered women's shelter and other resources in your area are . . . . (include local information)"
- (8) The peace officer may offer, arrange, or facilitate transportation for the victim to a hospital for treatment of injuries or to a place of safety or shelter.
- (9) The law enforcement agency shall forward the offense report to the appropriate prosecutor within ten days of making such report if there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed, unless the case is under active investigation. Upon receiving the offense report, the prosecuting agency may, in its discretion, choose not to file the information as a domestic violence offense, if the offense was committed by a juvenile against a sibling, parent, stepparent, or grandparent. In determining whether to file the information as a domestic violence offense, the prosecuting agency may take into consideration whether the victim of the offense requests that the information not be filed as a domestic violence offense or does not

- object to an information not being filed as a domestic violence offense.
- (10) Each law enforcement agency shall make as soon as practicable a written record and shall maintain records of all incidents of domestic violence reported to it.
- (11) Records kept pursuant to subsections (6) and (10) of this section shall be made identifiable by means of a departmental code for domestic violence.
- (12) Commencing January 1, 1994, records of incidents of domestic violence shall be submitted, in accordance with procedures described in this subsection, to the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs by all law enforcement agencies. The Washington criminal justice training commission shall amend its contract for collection of statewide crime data with the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs:
- (a) To include a table, in the annual report of crime in Washington produced by the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs pursuant to the contract, showing the total number of actual offenses and the number and percent of the offenses that are domestic violence incidents for the following crimes: (i) Criminal homicide, with subtotals for murder and nonnegligent homicide and manslaughter by negligence; (ii) forcible rape, with subtotals for rape by force and attempted forcible rape; (iii) robbery, with subtotals for firearm, knife or cutting instrument, or other dangerous weapon, and strongarm robbery; (iv) assault, with subtotals for firearm, knife or cutting instrument, other dangerous weapon, hands, feet, aggravated, and other nonaggravated assaults; (v) burglary, with subtotals for forcible entry, nonforcible unlawful entry, and attempted forcible entry; (vi) larceny theft, except motor vehicle theft; (vii) motor vehicle theft, with subtotals for autos, trucks and buses, and other vehicles; (viii) arson; and (ix) violations of the provisions of a protection order or no-contact order restraining the person from going onto the grounds of or entering a residence, workplace, school, or day care, provided that specific appropriations are subsequently made for the collection and compilation of data regarding violations of protection orders or no-contact orders;
- (b) To require that the table shall continue to be prepared and contained in the annual report of crime in Washington until that time as comparable or more detailed information about domestic violence incidents is available through the Washington state incident based reporting system and the information is prepared and contained in the annual report of crime in Washington; and
- (c) To require that, in consultation with interested persons, the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs prepare and disseminate procedures to all law enforcement agencies in the state as to how the agencies shall code and report domestic violence incidents to the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs.
- Sec. 6. RCW 13.40.265 and 2003 c 53 s 101 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(((a))) If a juvenile thirteen years of age or older is found by juvenile court to have committed an offense while armed with a firearm or an offense that is a

violation of RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(((iii))) (iv) or chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the court shall notify the department of licensing within twenty-four hours after entry of the judgment, unless the offense is the juvenile's first offense while armed with a firearm, first unlawful possession of a firearm offense, or first offense in violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW

- (((b))) (2) Except as otherwise provided in (((c) of this)) subsection (3) of this section, upon petition of a juvenile who has been found by the court to have committed an offense that is a violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the court may at any time the court deems appropriate notify the department of licensing that the juvenile's driving privileges should be reinstated.
- (((c) If the offense is the juvenile's first violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until ninety days after the date the juvenile turns sixteen or ninety days after the judgment was entered, whichever is later.)) (3) If the offense is the juvenile's second or subsequent violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the date the juvenile turns seventeen or one year after the date judgment was entered, whichever is later. (((2)(a) If a juvenile enters into a diversion agreement with a diversion unit pursuant to RCW 13.40.080 concerning an offense that is a violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the diversion unit shall notify the department of licensing within twentyfour hours after the diversion agreement is signed.
- (b) If a diversion unit has notified the department pursuant to (a) of this subsection, the diversion unit shall notify the department of licensing when the juvenile has completed the agreement.))
- Sec. 7. RCW 9.41.040 and 2014 c 111 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) A person, whether an adult or juvenile, is guilty of the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm in the first degree, if the person owns, has in his or her possession, or has in his or her control any firearm after having previously been convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state or elsewhere of any serious offense as defined in this chapter.
- (b) Unlawful possession of a firearm in the first degree is a class B felony punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- (2)(a) A person, whether an adult or juvenile, is guilty of the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm in the second degree, if the person does not qualify under subsection (1) of this section for the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm in the first degree and the person owns, has in his or her possession, or has in his or her control any firearm:
- (i) After having previously been convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state or elsewhere of any felony not specifically listed as prohibiting firearm possession under subsection (1) of this section, or any of

- the following crimes when committed by one family or household member against another, committed on or after July 1, 1993: Assault in the fourth degree, coercion, stalking, reckless endangerment, criminal trespass in the first degree, or violation of the provisions of a protection order or no-contact order restraining the person or excluding the person from a residence (RCW 26.50.060, 26.50.070, 26.50.130, or 10.99.040);
- (ii) During any period of time that the person is subject to a court order issued under chapter 7.90, 7.92, 9A.46, 10.14, 10.99, 26.09, 26.10, 26.26, or 26.50 RCW that:
- (A) Was issued after a hearing of which the person received actual notice, and at which the person had an opportunity to participate;
- (B) Restrains the person from harassing, stalking, or threatening an intimate partner of the person or child of the intimate partner or person, or engaging in other conduct that would place an intimate partner in reasonable fear of bodily injury to the partner or child; and
- (C)(I) Includes a finding that the person represents a credible threat to the physical safety of the intimate partner or child; and
- (II) By its terms, explicitly prohibits the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the intimate partner or child that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury;
- (iii) After having previously been involuntarily committed for mental health treatment under RCW 71.05.240, 71.05.320, 71.34.740, 71.34.750, chapter 10.77 RCW, or equivalent statutes of another jurisdiction, unless his or her right to possess a firearm has been restored as provided in RCW 9.41.047;
- (iv) If the person is under eighteen years of age, except as provided in RCW 9.41.042; and/or
- (v) If the person is free on bond or personal recognizance pending trial, appeal, or sentencing for a serious offense as defined in RCW 9.41.010.
- (b) Unlawful possession of a firearm in the second degree is a class C felony punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- (3) Notwithstanding RCW 9.41.047 or any other provisions of law, as used in this chapter, a person has been "convicted", whether in an adult court or adjudicated in a juvenile court, at such time as a plea of guilty has been accepted, or a verdict of guilty has been filed, notwithstanding the pendency of any future proceedings including but not limited to sentencing or disposition, post-trial or post-fact-finding motions, and appeals. Conviction includes a dismissal entered after a period of probation, suspension or deferral of sentence, and also includes equivalent dispositions by courts in jurisdictions other than Washington state. A person shall not be precluded from possession of a firearm if the conviction has been the subject of a pardon, annulment, certificate of rehabilitation, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of the rehabilitation of the person convicted or the conviction or disposition has been the subject of a pardon, annulment, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of innocence. Where no record of the court's disposition of the charges

can be found, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the person was not convicted of the charge.

(4)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (1) or (2) of this section, a person convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity of an offense prohibiting the possession of a firearm under this section other than murder, manslaughter, robbery, rape, indecent liberties, arson, assault, kidnapping, extortion, burglary, or violations with respect to controlled substances under RCW 69.50.401 and 69.50.410, who received a probationary sentence under RCW 9.95.200, and who received a dismissal of the charge under RCW 9.95.240, shall not be precluded from possession of a firearm as a result of the conviction or finding of not guilty by reason of insanity. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, if a person is prohibited from possession of a firearm under subsection (1) or (2) of this section and has not previously been convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity of a sex offense prohibiting firearm ownership under subsection (1) or (2) of this section and/or any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or with a maximum sentence of at least twenty years, or both, the individual may petition a court of record to have his or her right to possess a firearm restored:

## (i) Under RCW 9.41.047; and/or

- (ii)(A) If the conviction or finding of not guilty by reason of insanity was for a felony offense, after five or more consecutive years in the community without being convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity or currently charged with any felony, gross misdemeanor, or misdemeanor crimes, if the individual has no prior felony convictions that prohibit the possession of a firearm counted as part of the offender score under RCW 9.94A.525; or
- (B) If the conviction or finding of not guilty by reason of insanity was for a nonfelony offense, after three or more consecutive years in the community without being convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity or currently charged with any felony, gross misdemeanor, or misdemeanor crimes, if the individual has no prior felony convictions that prohibit the possession of a firearm counted as part of the offender score under RCW 9.94A.525 and the individual has completed all conditions of the sentence.
- (b) An individual may petition a court of record to have his or her right to possess a firearm restored under (a) of this subsection (4) only at:
- (i) The court of record that ordered the petitioner's prohibition on possession of a firearm; or
- (ii) The superior court in the county in which the petitioner resides.
- (5) In addition to any other penalty provided for by law, if a person under the age of eighteen years is found by a court to have possessed a firearm in a vehicle in violation of subsection (1) or (2) of this section or to have committed an offense while armed with a firearm during which offense a motor vehicle served an integral function, the court shall notify the department of licensing within twenty-four hours and the person's privilege to drive shall be revoked under RCW 46.20.265, unless the offense is the juvenile's first

- offense in violation of this section and has not committed an offense while armed with a firearm, an unlawful possession of a firearm offense, or an offense in violation of chapter 66.44, 69.52, 69.41, or 69.50 RCW.
- (6) Nothing in chapter 129, Laws of 1995 shall ever be construed or interpreted as preventing an offender from being charged and subsequently convicted for the separate felony crimes of theft of a firearm or possession of a stolen firearm, or both, in addition to being charged and subsequently convicted under this section for unlawful possession of a firearm in the first or second degree. Notwithstanding any other law, if the offender is convicted under this section for unlawful possession of a firearm in the first or second degree and for the felony crimes of theft of a firearm or possession of a stolen firearm, or both, then the offender shall serve consecutive sentences for each of the felony crimes of conviction listed in this subsection.
- (7) Each firearm unlawfully possessed under this section shall be a separate offense.
- (8) For purposes of this section, "intimate partner" includes: A spouse, a domestic partner, a former spouse, a former domestic partner, a person with whom the restrained person has a child in common, or a person with whom the restrained person has cohabitated or is cohabitating as part of a dating relationship.
- Sec. 8. RCW 46.20.265 and 2005 c 288 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) In addition to any other authority to revoke driving privileges under this chapter, the department shall revoke all driving privileges of a juvenile when the department receives notice from a court pursuant to RCW 9.41.040(5), 13.40.265, 66.44.365, 69.41.065, 69.50.420, 69.52.070, or a substantially similar municipal ordinance adopted by a local legislative authority, or from a diversion unit pursuant to RCW 13.40.265.
- (2) The driving privileges of the juvenile revoked under subsection (1) of this section shall be revoked in the following manner:
- (a) Upon receipt of the first notice, the department shall impose a revocation for one year, or until the juvenile reaches seventeen years of age, whichever is longer.
- (b) Upon receipt of a second or subsequent notice, the department shall impose a revocation for two years or until the juvenile reaches eighteen years of age, whichever is longer.
- (c) Each offense for which the department receives notice shall result in a separate period of revocation. All periods of revocation imposed under this section that could otherwise overlap shall run consecutively up to the juvenile's twenty-first birthday, and no period of revocation imposed under this section shall begin before the expiration of all other periods of revocation imposed under this section or other law. Periods of revocation imposed consecutively under this section shall not extend beyond the juvenile's twenty-first birthday.
- (3)(a) If the department receives notice from a court that the juvenile's privilege to drive should be reinstated, the department shall immediately reinstate any driving privileges that have been revoked under this section if

the minimum term of revocation as specified in RCW 13.40.265(((1)(c))) (3), 66.44.365(3), 69.41.065(3), 69.50.420(3), 69.52.070(3), or similar ordinance has expired, and subject to subsection (2)(c) of this section. (b) The juvenile may seek reinstatement of his or her driving privileges from the department when the juvenile reaches the age of twenty-one. A notice from the court reinstating the juvenile's driving privilege shall not be required if reinstatement is pursuant to this

(((4)(a) If the department receives notice pursuant to RCW 13.40.265(2)(b) from a diversion unit that a juvenile has completed a diversion agreement for which the juvenile's driving privileges were revoked, the department shall reinstate any driving privileges revoked under this section as provided in (b) of this subsection, subject to subsection (2)(c) of this section.

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(b) If the diversion agreement was for the juvenile's first violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the department shall not reinstate the juvenile's privilege to drive until the later of ninety days after the date the juvenile turns sixteen or ninety days after the juvenile entered into a diversion agreement for the offense. If the diversion agreement was for the juvenile's second or subsequent violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the department shall not reinstate the juvenile's privilege to drive until the later of the date the juvenile turns seventeen or one year after the juvenile entered into the second or subsequent diversion agreement.))

Sec. 9. RCW 66.44.365 and 1989 c 271 s 118 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) If a juvenile thirteen years of age or older and under the age of eighteen is found by a court to have committed any offense that is a violation of this chapter, the court shall notify the department of licensing within twenty-four hours after entry of the judgment, unless the offense is the juvenile's first offense in violation of this chapter and has not committed an offense while armed with a firearm, an unlawful possession of a firearm offense, or an offense in violation of chapter 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, upon petition of a juvenile whose privilege to drive has been revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265, the court may notify the department of licensing that the juvenile's privilege to drive should be reinstated.

(3) If the conviction is for the juvenile's first violation of this chapter or chapter 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, a juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the later of ninety days after the date the juvenile turns sixteen or ninety days after the judgment was entered. If the conviction was for the juvenile's second or subsequent violation of this chapter or chapter 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the later of the date the juvenile turns seventeen or one year after the date judgment was entered.

Sec. 10. RCW 69.41.065 and 1989 c 271 s 119 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) If a juvenile thirteen years of age or older and under the age of twenty-one is found by a court to have committed any offense that is a violation of this chapter, the court shall notify the department of licensing within twenty-four hours after entry of the judgment, unless the offense is the juvenile's first offense in violation of this chapter and has not committed an offense while armed with a firearm, an unlawful possession of a firearm offense, or an offense in violation of chapter 66.44, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, upon petition of a juvenile whose privilege to drive has been revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265, the court may notify the department of licensing that the juvenile's privilege to drive should be reinstated.

(3) If the conviction is for the juvenile's first violation of this chapter or chapter 66.44, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the later of ninety days after the date the juvenile turns sixteen or ninety days after the judgment was entered. If the conviction was for the juvenile's second or subsequent violation of this chapter or chapter 66.44, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the later of the date the juvenile turns seventeen or one year after the date judgment was entered.

Sec. 11. RCW 69.50.420 and 1989 c 271 s 120 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) If a juvenile thirteen years of age or older and under the age of twenty-one is found by a court to have committed any offense that is a violation of this chapter, the court shall notify the department of licensing within twenty-four hours after entry of the judgment, unless the offense is the juvenile's first offense in violation of this chapter and has not committed an offense while armed with a firearm, an unlawful possession of a firearm offense, or an offense in violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, or 69.52 RCW.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, upon petition of a juvenile whose privilege to drive has been revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265, the court may at any time the court deems appropriate notify the department of licensing to reinstate the juvenile's privilege to drive.

(3) If the conviction is for the juvenile's first violation of this chapter or chapter 66.44, 69.41, or 69.52 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the later of ninety days after the date the juvenile turns sixteen or ninety days after the judgment was entered. If the conviction was for the juvenile's second or subsequent violation of this chapter or chapter 66.44, 69.41, or 69.52 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the later of the date the juvenile turns seventeen or one year after the date judgment was entered.

Sec. 12. RCW 69.52.070 and 1989 c 271 s 121 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) If a juvenile thirteen years of age or older and under the age of twenty-one is found by a court to have committed any offense that is a violation of this chapter, the court shall notify the department of licensing within twenty-four hours after entry of the judgment, unless the offense is the juvenile's first offense in violation of this chapter and has not committed an offense while armed with a firearm, an unlawful possession of a firearm offense, or an offense in violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, or 69.50 RCW.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, upon petition of a juvenile whose privilege to drive has been revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265, the court may at any time the court deems appropriate notify the department of licensing to reinstate the juvenile's privilege to drive.
- (3) If the conviction is for the juvenile's first violation of this chapter or chapter 66.44, 69.41, or 69.50 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the later of ninety days after the date the juvenile turns sixteen or ninety days after the judgment was entered. If the conviction was for the juvenile's second or subsequent violation of this chapter or chapter 66.44, 69.41, or 69.50 RCW, the juvenile may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the later of the date the juvenile turns seventeen or one year after the date judgment was entered."

Signed by Representatives Kagi, Chair; Senn, Vice Chair; Walsh, Ranking Minority Member; Dent, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Hawkins; Kilduff; Ortiz-Self; Sawyer and Walkinshaw.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representative McCaslin.

Passed to Committee on Transportation.

February 25, 2016

ESB 6620

Prime Sponsor, Senator McAuliffe: Concerning a statewide plan for funding cost-effective methods for school safety. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Concerning cost-effective methods for maintaining and increasing school safety. ) Reported by Committee on Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

# "PART I

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature recognizes that public schools are required to have safe school plans and procedures in place. The legislature acknowledges that there are costs associated with these plans and procedures. The legislature intends to review the funding of school safety and security programs and work toward a statewide plan for funding cost-effective methods for

school safety that meet the needs of local school districts.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. (1) The Washington state institute for public policy shall complete an evaluation of how Washington and other states have addressed the funding of school safety and security programs and submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature, the governor, and the office of the superintendent of public instruction by December 1, 2017.

(2) This section expires August 1, 2018.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the school safety advisory committee shall hold annual school safety summits. Each annual summit must focus on establishing and monitoring the progress of a statewide plan for funding cost-effective methods for school safety that meet local needs. Other areas of focus may include planning and implementation of school safety planning efforts, training of school safety professionals, and integrating mental health and security measures.
- (2) Summit participants must be appointed no later than August 1, 2016.
- (a) The majority and minority leaders of the senate shall appoint two members from each of the relevant caucuses of the senate.
- (b) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint two members from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of representatives.
- (c) The governor shall appoint one representative.
- (3) Other summit participants may include representatives from the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the department of health, educational service districts, educational associations, emergency management, law enforcement, fire departments, parent organizations, and student organizations.
- (4) Staff support for the annual summit shall be provided by the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the school safety advisory committee.
- (5) Legislative members of the summit are reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer, governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

#### PART II

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The legislature finds that school personnel are often the first responders when there is a violent threat or natural or man-made disaster at a school. The legislature further finds there is a need to develop training for school personnel to intervene and provide assistance during these emergency incidents. The legislature recognizes an educational service district has developed a model for a regional school safety and security center, which can provide this type of training. NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 28A.310 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, educational service districts may implement a regional school safety and security program modeled after the educational service district that has developed a regional school safety and security center.
- (2) The programs should include the following components:
- (a) Establishment of a network of school safety coordinators for the educational service districts, which shall focus on prevention planning, intervention, mitigation, crisis response, and community recovery regarding emergency incidents in schools;
- (b) Collaboration with the educational service district that developed the model for a regional school safety and security center to adopt its model for a regional school safety and security center;
- (c) Creation of technology-based systems that enable more efficient and effective communication between schools and emergency response entities, including local law enforcement, local fire department, and state and federal responders;
- (d) Provision of technology support to improve communication and data management between schools and emergency response entities;
- (e) Ongoing training of school personnel and emergency responders to establish a system for preventative identification, intervention strategies, and management of risk behaviors;
- (f) Development of a professional development to train school personnel as first responders until the arrival of emergency responders; and
- (g) Building collaborative relationships between other educational service districts, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, and the school safety advisory committee."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Santos, Chair; Ortiz-Self, Vice Chair; Reykdal, Vice Chair; Muri, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Stambaugh, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Caldier; Griffey; Hayes; Kilduff; Klippert; Kuderer; McCaslin; Orwall; Pollet; Rossetti and Springer.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Magendanz, Ranking Minority Member; Hargrove and Harris.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 24, 2016

SB 6626

Prime Sponsor, Senator Bailey: Creating a work group on accelerated baccalaureate degree programs. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Hansen, Chair; Pollet, Vice Chair; Zeiger, Ranking Minority Member; Haler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Frame; Hargrove; Holy; Reykdal; Sells; Stambaugh; Tarleton and Van Werven.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

There being no objection, the bills listed on the day's first and second supplemental committee reports under the fifth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the eleventh order of business.

#### COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

The Speaker (Representative Stanford presiding) announced the following committee appointment:

Representative McCabe was appointed Assistant Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards.

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 9:55 a.m., February 29, 2016, the 50th Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

BARBARA BAKER, Chief Clerk

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