(12) If against any person for whom a guardian has been appointed for any cause, then to such guardian.

(13) If against a foreign or alien steamship company or steamship charterer, to any agent authorized by such company or charterer to solicit cargo or passengers for transportation to or from ports in the state of Washington.

(14) In all other cases, to the defendant personally, or by leaving a copy of the summons at the house of his usual abode with some person of suitable age and discretion then resident therein.

Service made in the modes provided in this section shall be taken and held to be personal service.

Sec. 2. Section 12, chapter 15, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. as amended by section 45, chapter 275, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 28A.02.070 are each amended to read as follows:

On the ((Friday)) school day preceding the ((fourth Monday in October)) eleventh day of November of each year, there shall be presented in each common school as defined in RCW 28A.01.060 a program suitable to the observance of Veterans' Day.

The responsibility for the preparation and presentation of such program approximating sixty minutes in length shall be with the principal or head teacher of each school building and such program shall embrace topics tending to instill a loyalty and devotion to the institutions and laws of this state and nation.

The superintendent of public instruction and each educational service district superintendent, by advice and suggestion, shall aid in the preparation of such programs if such aid be solicited.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. If any provision of this 1977 amendatory 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.

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CHAPTER 121

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2868]

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS—MERGER ELECTION AND COMPOSITION OF BOARD

AN ACT Relating to fire protection districts; and amending section 1, chapter 55, Laws of 1971 and RCW 52.24.085.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 55, Laws of 1971 and RCW 52.24.085 are each amended to read as follows:

Whenever two or more fire protection districts merge, the board of fire commissioners of the merged fire protection district shall consist of ((the six)) all of the original fire commissioners. At the next three elections for fire commissioners the number of fire commissioners for the merged district shall be reduced ((from six to})
five commissioners at the first election, from five to four commissioners in the second election, and from four to three commissioners in the third election and thereafter, the board of fire commissioners shall remain at three fire commissioners. In order to achieve this prescribed reduction of fire commissioners for the merged district, at each of the three elections referred to herein there shall be elected only one fire commissioner instead of two and thereafter, fire commissioners shall be elected in the same number as is prescribed for all of the fire protection districts of this state:

Whenever more than two fire protection districts merge, the board of fire commissioners shall consist of one commissioner from each of the original districts to be selected by the commissioners from each such original district:

At the time of the next general election occurring thirty or more days after the merger, three commissioners shall be elected. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall serve for a term of six years, the candidate receiving the next highest number of votes shall serve for a term of four years, and the candidate receiving the next highest number of votes shall serve for a term of two years. Thereafter fire commissioners shall be elected in the same manner as is prescribed for all fire protection districts of this state)) as follows, notwithstanding the number of fire commissioners whose terms expire:

In the first election after the merger, only one position shall be filled, whether the new fire protection district be a three member district or a five member district pursuant to RCW 52.12.015.

In each of the two subsequent elections, one position shall be filled if the new fire protection district is a three member district and two positions shall be filled if the new fire protection district is a five member district pursuant to RCW 52.12.015.

Thereafter, the fire commissioners shall be elected in the same manner as prescribed for such fire protection districts of the state.

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CHAPTER 122
[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2241]
LAETRILE—PRESCRIPTION OR ADMINISTRATION

AN ACT Relating to interference with physician/patient relationships; and adding new sections to chapter 70.54 RCW.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 70.54 RCW a new section to read as follows:

It is the intent of the legislature that passage of this act shall not constitute any endorsement whatever of the efficacy of amygdalin (Laetrile) in the treatment of cancer, but represents only the legislature's endorsement of a patient's freedom of choice, so long as the patient has been given sufficient information in writing to