be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall in addition to any penalty for violation of the provisions of this section, be liable in any civil action instituted in the name of the state of Washington or the county or city or town having jurisdiction for any damages occasioned to such state highway, county road, or city street, as the case may be, as the result of disregarding such closing ((and using such state highway, county road, or city street, or portion thereof with any vehicle or any class of vehicle to which the same is closed)) or reduced speed limit.

Passed the Senate April 22, 1977.

Passed the House June 1, 1977.

Approved by the Governor June 10, 1977.

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CHAPTER 217

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2510] TRANSPORTATION CENTERS

AN ACT Relating to transportation; and adding a new chapter to Title 81 RCW.

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 1. It is desirable to a transportation system that convenient and comfortable terminals be established and maintained with the services of all modes of public transportation available to the public at such a center to the extent feasible. It is proper that cities, towns, counties, public transportation benefit area authorities, and municipal corporations of this state be authorized to own and operate transportation centers.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Through its council or other legislative body, any city, town, county, public transportation benefit area authority, or other municipal corporation, authorized to operate public transportation services, may construct or otherwise acquire intermodal transportation centers by donation, lease, or purchase and may operate or let for purposes of leasing space at fair market value for the services set forth in section 3 of this act, and to perform other functions permitted by law, the centers or portions of the centers, for public or private purposes or for compensation or rental upon such conditions as its council or other legislative body shall from time to time prescribe. The city, town, county, public transportation benefit area authority, or municipal corporation, may apply for and receive grants from the federal government for purposes of funding a transportation center and may consolidate a transportation center with other lawful city or town activities.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. To the extent feasible, the services available to the public at any transportation center may include taxi, auto rental, passenger trains, motor buses, travel agents, restrooms, food, telegraph, baggage handling, transfer and delivery of light freight and packages, commercial airlines, air charter, place of temporary rest for citizens and travelers (but not overnight), mail, private auto parking for users of public transportation through the transportation center, local transit, limousine, and any other use necessary to the foregoing.

Any city, town, county, public transportation benefit area authority, or municipal corporation, which elects to operate a transportation center shall operate the center for the general public good. The operator may establish the terms of usage

for the various modes of transportation and for others that utilize its facilities, may make reasonable rules concerning public and private use, and may exclude all persons therefrom who refuse to comply with the terms or rules of use. The operator may own, operate, maintain, and manage a transportation center, but shall not engage in providing a transportation or other related service at the center unless otherwise authorized by law.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Sections 1 through 3 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 81 RCW.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. 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.

Passed the Senate April 26, 1977.

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CHAPTER 218

[Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 2873] LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

AN ACT Relating to legislative ethics; amending section 1, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 44.60.010; amending section 2, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 44.60.020; amending section 4, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 44.60.040; amending section 5, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. as amended by section 135, chapter 34, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 44.60.050; amending section 6, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 44.60.070; amending section 8, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 44.60.080; adding new sections to chapter 44.60 RCW; and repealing section 7, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 44.60.060.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 44.60.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Definition of terms:

- (1) "Legislator" means a current member of the senate or house of representatives of the state of Washington. The term shall include an appointee to either house.
- (2) "Board" or "board of ethics" means the senate board of legislative ethics or the house board of legislative ethics, created by this chapter, or the joint board composed of the senate and house boards, whichever is appropriate.
- (3) "Unethical conduct" means any conduct which constitutes a violation of ((chapter 42.21 RCW, as now or hereafter amended, or of)) any ((other)) constitutional provision, statute, rule of the house or senate or joint rule prescribing standards of conduct ((or a code of ethics for legislators)) for legislators and legislative employees.
- (4) "Legislative employee" means any person employed by either house on a temporary or permanent basis as well as any employee of a permanent or interim legislative committee.