(C) Preparation or adoption of policy positions.

The statements shall be in the form and the manner prescribed by the commission and shall be filed within one month after the end of the quarter covered by the report.

((6)) In lieu of reporting under subsection (((4))) of this section any county, city, town, municipal corporation, quasi municipal corporation, or special purpose district may determine and so notify the public disclosure commission, that elected officials, officers, or employees who on behalf of any such local agency engage in lobbying reportable under subsection (((4))) of this section shall register and report such reportable lobbying in the same manner as a lobbyist who is required to register and report under RCW 42.17.150 and 42.17.170. Each such local agency shall report as a lobbyist employer pursuant to RCW 42.17.180.

((7)) The provisions of this section do not relieve any elected official or officer or employee of an agency from complying with other provisions of this chapter, if such elected official, officer, or employee is not otherwise exempted.

((8)) The purpose of this section is to require each state agency and certain local agencies to report the identities of those persons who lobby on behalf of the agency for compensation, together with certain separately identifiable and measurable expenditures of an agency's funds for that purpose. This section shall be reasonably construed to accomplish that purpose and not to require any agency to report any of its general overhead cost or any other costs which relate only indirectly or incidentally to lobbying or which are equally attributable to or inseparable from nonlobbying activities of the agency.

The public disclosure commission may adopt rules clarifying and implementing this legislative interpretation and policy.

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CHAPTER 240

AN ACT Relating to not for profit or nonprofit corporations; amending RCW 24.03.005, 24.03.015, 24.03.020, 24.03.030, 24.03.035, 24.03.045, 24.03.047, 24.03.048, 24.03.050, 24.03.055, 24.03.060, 24.03.065, 24.03.070, 24.03.075, 24.03.100, 24.03.105, 24.03.110, 24.03.115, 24.03.120, 24.03.125, 24.03.135, 24.03.150, 24.03.155, 24.03.165, 24.03.180, 24.03.183, 24.03.185, 24.03.190, 24.03.195, 24.03.200, 24.03.205, 24.03.207, 24.03.215, 24.03.220, 24.03.265, 24.03.295, 24.03.300, 24.03.305, 24.03.320, 24.03.325, 24.03.330, 24.03.345, 24.03.350, 24.03.360, 24.03.380, 24.03.385, 24.03.390, 24.03.395, 24.03.400, 24.03.405, and 24.03.445; adding new sections to chapter 24.03 RCW; and repealing RCW 24.03.355.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 2, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 72, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.005 are each amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the term:

(1) "Corporation" or "domestic corporation" means a corporation not for profit subject to the provisions of this chapter, except a foreign corporation.

(2) "Foreign corporation" means a corporation not for profit organized under laws other than the laws of this state.

(3) "Not for profit corporation" or "nonprofit corporation" means a corporation no part of the income of which is distributable to its members, directors or officers.

(4) "Articles of incorporation" and "articles" mean the original articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto, and includes articles of merger and restated articles.

(5) "Bylaws" means the code or codes of rules adopted for the regulation or management of the affairs of the corporation irrespective of the name or names by which such rules are designated.

(6) "Member" means an individual or entity having membership rights in a corporation in accordance with the provisions of its articles or incorporation or bylaws.

(7) "Board of directors" means the group of persons vested with the management of the affairs of the corporation irrespective of the name by which such group is designated in the articles or bylaws.

(8) "Insolvent" means inability of a corporation to pay debts as they become due in the usual course of its affairs.

(9) "Duplicate originals" means two copies, original or otherwise, each with original signatures, or one original with original signatures and one copy thereof.

(10) "Conforms to law" as used in connection with duties of the secretary of state in reviewing documents for filing under this chapter, means the secretary of state has determined that the document complies as to form with the applicable requirements of this chapter.

(11) "Effective date" means, in connection with a document filing made by the secretary of state, the date which is shown by affixing a "filed" stamp on the documents. When a document is received for filing by the secretary of state in a form which complies with the requirements of this chapter and which would entitle the document to be filed immediately upon receipt, but the secretary of state's approval action occurs subsequent to the date of receipt, the secretary of state's filing date shall relate back to the date on which the secretary of state first received the document in acceptable form. An applicant may request a specific effective date no more than
thirty days later than the receipt date which might otherwise be applied as the effective date.

(12) "Executed by an officer of the corporation," or words of similar import, means that any document signed by such person shall be and is signed by that person under penalties of perjury and in an official and authorized capacity on behalf of the corporation or person making the document submission with the secretary of state.

(13) "An officer of the corporation" means, in connection with the execution of documents submitted for filing with the secretary of state, the president, a vice president, the secretary, or the treasurer of the corporation.

Sec. 2. Section 4, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 22, chapter 106, Laws of 1983 and RCW 24.03.015 are each amended to read as follows:

Corporations may be organized under this chapter for any lawful purpose or purposes, including, without being limited to, any one or more of the following purposes: Charitable; benevolent; eleemosynary; educational; civic; patriotic; political; religious; social; fraternal; literary; cultural; athletic; scientific; agricultural; horticultural; animal husbandry; and professional, commercial, industrial or trade association; but labor unions, cooperative organizations, and organizations subject to any of the provisions of the banking or insurance laws of this state may not be organized under this chapter: PROVIDED, That any not for profit corporation heretofore organized under any act hereby repealed and existing for the purpose of providing health care services as defined in RCW 48.44.010(1) or 48.46.020(1), as now or hereafter amended, shall continue to be organized under this chapter.

Sec. 3. Section 5, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 74, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.020 are each amended to read as follows:

One or more persons ((may incorporate a corporation by signing and delivering articles of incorporation in duplicate to the secretary of state)) of the age of eighteen years or more, or a domestic or foreign, profit or non-profit, corporation, may act as incorporator or incorporators of a corporation by signing and delivering to the secretary of state articles of incorporation for such corporation.

Sec. 4. Section 7, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.030 are each amended to read as follows:

A corporation subject to this chapter:

(1) Shall not have or issue shares of stock((. No dividend shall be paid and no part of the income of a corporation shall be distributed));

(2) Shall not make any disbursement of income to its members, directors or officers((. A corporation));

(3) Shall not loan money or credit to its officers or directors;
(4) May pay compensation in a reasonable amount to its members, directors or officers for services rendered;
(5) May confer benefits upon its members in conformity with its purposes; and
(6) Upon dissolution or final liquidation may make distributions to its members as permitted by this chapter, and no such payment, benefit or distribution shall be deemed to be a dividend or a distribution of income.

Sec. 5. Section 8, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.035 are each amended to read as follows:

Each corporation shall have power:

(1) To have perpetual succession by its corporate name unless a limited period of duration is stated in its articles of incorporation.
(2) To sue and be sued, complain and defend, in its corporate name.
(3) To have a corporate seal which may be altered at pleasure, and to use the same by causing it, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed or affixed or in any other manner reproduced.
(4) To purchase, take, receive, lease, take by gift, devise or bequest, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use and otherwise deal in and with real or personal property, or any interest therein, wherever situated.
(5) To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, transfer and otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.
(6) To lend money or credit to its employees other than its officers and directors.
(7) To purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, lend, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, and otherwise use and deal in and with, shares or other interests in, or obligations of, other domestic or foreign corporations, whether for profit or not for profit, associations, partnerships or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States, or of any other government, state, territory, governmental district or municipality or of any instrumentality thereof.
(8) To make contracts and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as the corporation may determine, issue its notes, bonds, and other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage or pledge of all or any of its property, franchises and income.
(9) To lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned or invested.
(10) To conduct its affairs, carry on its operations, and have offices and exercise the powers granted by this chapter in any state, territory, district, or possession of the United States, or in any foreign country.
(11) To elect or appoint officers and agents of the corporation, and define their duties and fix their compensation.
(12) To make and alter bylaws, not inconsistent with its articles of incorporation or with the laws of this state, for the administration and regulation of the affairs of the corporation.

(13) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, to make donations for the public welfare or for charitable, scientific or educational purposes; and in time of war to make donations in aid of war activities.

(14) To indemnify any director or officer or former director or officer of the corporation, or any person who may have served at its request as a director or officer of another corporation, whether for profit or not for profit, against expenses actually and necessarily incurred by him in connection with the defense of any action, suit or proceeding in which he is made a party by reason of being or having been such director or officer, except in relation to matters as to which he shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of duty, but such indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such director or officer may be entitled, under any bylaw, agreement, vote of board of directors or members, or otherwise.

(15) To indemnify any director or officer or former director or officer of the corporation, or any person who may have served at its request as a director or officer of another corporation, whether for profit or not for profit, against expenses actually and necessarily incurred by him in connection with the defense of any action, suit or proceeding in which he is made a party by reason of being or having been such director or officer, except in relation to matters as to which he shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of duty, but such indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such director or officer may be entitled, under any bylaw, agreement, vote of board of directors or members, or otherwise.

(16) To pay pensions and establish pension plans, pension trusts, and other benefit plans for any or all of its directors, officers, and employees.

(17) To be a promoter, partner, member, associate or manager of any partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise.

(18) To be a trustee of a charitable trust, to administer a charitable trust and to act as executor in relation to any charitable bequest or devise to the corporation. This subsection shall not be construed as conferring authority to engage in the general business of trusts nor in the business of trust banking.

(19) To cease its corporate activities and surrender its corporate franchise.

(20) To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect any or all of the purposes for which the corporation is organized.

Sec. 6. Section 10, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 76, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.045 are each amended to read as follows:
The corporate name:

(1) Shall not contain any word or phrase which indicates or implies that it is organized for any purpose other than one or more of the purposes contained in its articles of incorporation.

(2) Shall not be the same as, or deceptively similar to, the name of any corporation, whether for profit or not for profit, existing under any act of this state, or any foreign corporation, whether for profit or not for profit, authorized to transact business or conduct affairs in this state, or a limited partnership existing under chapter 25.10 RCW, or a corporate name reserved or registered as permitted by the laws of this state. This subsection shall not apply if the applicant files with the secretary of state either of the following: (a) The written consent of the other corporation, partnership, or holder of a reserved name to use the same or deceptively similar name and one or more words are added or deleted to make the name distinguishable from the other name as determined by the secretary of state, or (b) a certified copy of a final decree of a court of competent jurisdiction establishing the prior right of the applicant to the use of the name in this state.

(3) Shall be transliterated into letters of the English alphabet, if it is not in English.

(4) Shall not include or end with "incorporated," "company," "corporation," "partnership," "limited partnership," or "Ltd.," or any abbreviation thereof, but may use "club," "league," "association," "services," "committee," "fund," "society," "foundation," "..."., a nonprofit corporation," or any name of like import.

Sec. 7. Section 78, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.047 are each amended to read as follows:

Any corporation, organized and existing under the laws of any state or territory of the United States may register its corporate name under this title, provided its corporate name is not the same as, or deceptively similar to, the name of any domestic corporation existing under the laws of this state, or the name of any foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this state, or any corporate name reserved or registered under this title. Such registration shall be made by:

(1) Filing with the secretary of state: (a) An application for registration executed by the corporation by an officer thereof, setting forth the name of the corporation, the state or territory under the laws of which it is incorporated, the date of its incorporation, a statement that it is carrying on or doing business, and a brief statement of the business in which it is engaged, and (b) a certificate setting forth that such corporation is in good standing under the laws of the state or territory wherein it is organized, executed by the secretary of state of such state or territory or by such other official as may have custody of the records pertaining to corporations, and

(2) Paying to the secretary of state ((a)) the applicable registration fee ((in the amount of one dollar for each month, or fraction thereof, between
the date of filing the application and December thirty-first of the calendar year in which the application is filed)).

The registration shall be effective until the close of the calendar year in which the application for registration is filed.

Sec. 8. Section 79, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.048 are each amended to read as follows:

A corporation which has in effect a registration of its corporate name, may renew such registration from year to year by annually filing an application for renewal setting forth the facts required to be set forth in an original application for registration and a certificate of good standing as required for the original registration and by paying ((a)) the applicable fee ((of ten dollars)). A renewal application may be filed between the first day of October and the thirty-first day of December in each year, and shall extend the registration for the following calendar year.

Sec. 9. Section 11, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as last amended by section 80, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.050 are each amended to read as follows:

Each corporation shall have and continuously maintain in this state:

(1) A registered office which may be, but need not be, the same as its principal office. The registered office shall be at a specific geographic location in this state, and be identified by number, if any, and street, or building address or rural route, or, if a commonly known street or rural route address does not exist, by legal description. A registered office may not be identified by post office box number or other nongeographic address. For purposes of communicating by mail, the secretary of state may permit the use of a post office address in conjunction with the registered office address if the corporation also maintains on file the specific geographic address of the registered office where personal service of process may be made.

(2) A registered agent, which agent may be either an individual resident in this state whose business office is identical with such registered office, or a domestic corporation, whether for profit or not for profit, or a foreign corporation, whether for profit or not for profit, authorized to transact business or conduct affairs in this state, having an office identical with such registered office. ((The registered agent and registered office shall be designated by duly adopted resolution of the board of directors, and a statement of such designation, executed by an officer of the corporation, together with a copy of the board of directors' designating resolution, shall be filed with the secretary of state.)) A registered agent shall not be appointed without having given prior written consent to the appointment. The written consent shall be filed with the secretary of state in such form as the secretary may prescribe. The written consent shall be filed with or as a part of the document first appointing a registered agent. In the event any individual or corporation has been appointed agent without consent, that person or
corporation may file a notarized statement attesting to that fact, and the name shall forthwith be removed from the records of the secretary of state.

No Washington corporation or foreign corporation authorized to conduct affairs in this state may be permitted to maintain any action in any court in this state until the corporation complies with the requirements of this section.

Sec. 10. Section 12, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 81, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.055 are each amended to read as follows:

A corporation may change its registered office or change its registered agent, or both, upon filing in the office of the secretary of state in the form prescribed by the secretary of state a statement setting forth:

1. The name of the corporation.
2. If the address of its registered office is to be changed, the address to which the registered office is to be changed (including street and number).
3. If its registered agent is to be changed, the name of its successor registered agent.
4. That the address of its registered office and the address of the office of its registered agent, as changed, will be identical.
5. That such change was authorized by resolution duly adopted by its board of directors.

Such statement shall be executed by the corporation by an officer of the corporation, and delivered to the secretary of state, together with a written consent of the registered agent to his or its appointment, if applicable. If the secretary of state finds that such statement conforms to the provisions of this chapter, the secretary of state shall endorse thereon the word "Filed," and the month, day, and year of the filing thereof, and file the statement. The change of address of the registered office, or the appointment of a new registered agent, or both, as the case may be, shall become effective upon filing unless a later date is specified.

Any registered agent of a corporation may resign as such agent upon filing a written notice thereof, executed in duplicate, with the secretary of state, who shall forthwith mail a copy thereof to the corporation in care of an officer, who is not the resigning registered agent, at the address of such officer as shown by the most recent annual report of the corporation. The appointment of such agent shall terminate upon the expiration of thirty days after receipt of such notice by the secretary of state.

If a registered agent changes the agent's business address to another place within the state, the agent may change such address and the address of the registered office of any corporation of which the agent is a registered
agent, by filing a statement as required by this section except that it need be signed only by the registered agent, it need not be responsive to subsection (3) or (5) of this section, and it must recite that a copy of the statement has been mailed to the secretary of the corporation.

Sec. 11. Section 13, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 82, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.060 are each amended to read as follows:

The registered agent so appointed by a corporation shall be an agent of such corporation upon whom any process, notice or demand required or permitted by law to be served upon the corporation may be served.

Whenever a corporation shall fail to appoint or maintain a registered agent in this state, or whenever its registered agent cannot with reasonable diligence be found at the registered office, then the secretary of state shall be an agent of such corporation upon whom any such process, notice, or demand may be served. Service on the secretary of state of any such process, notice, or demand shall be made by delivering to and leaving with the secretary of state, or with any duly authorized clerk of the corporation department of the secretary of state's office, duplicate copies of such process, notice or demand. In the event any such process, notice or demand is served on the secretary of state, the secretary of state shall immediately cause one of the copies thereof to be forwarded by certified mail, addressed to the secretary of the corporation (at itsregistered office) as shown on the records of the secretary of state. Any service so had on the secretary of state shall be returnable in not less than thirty days.

The secretary of state shall keep a record of all processes, notices and demands served upon the secretary of state under this section, and shall record therein the time of such service and the secretary of state's action with reference thereto.

Nothing herein contained shall limit or affect the right to serve any process, notice or demand required or permitted by law to be served upon a corporation in any other manner now or hereafter permitted by law.

Sec. 12. Section 14, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.065 are each amended to read as follows:

A corporation may have one or more classes of members or may have no members. If the corporation has one or more classes of members, the designation of such class or classes, the manner of election or appointment and the qualifications and rights of the members of each class shall be set forth in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws. Unless otherwise specified in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws, an individual, domestic or foreign profit or nonprofit corporation, a general or limited partnership, an association or other entity may be a member of a corporation. If the corporation has no members, that fact shall be set forth in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws. A corporation may issue certificates evidencing membership therein.
Sec. 13. Section 15, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.070 are each amended to read as follows:

The initial bylaws of a corporation shall be adopted by its board of directors. The power to alter, amend or repeal the bylaws or adopt new bylaws shall be vested in the board of directors unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws. The bylaws may contain any provisions for the regulation and management of the affairs of a corporation not inconsistent with law or the articles of incorporation. The board may adopt emergency bylaws in the manner provided by RCW 23A.08.240.

Sec. 14. Section 16, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.075 are each amended to read as follows:

Meetings of members may be held at such place, either within or without this state, as may be (provided in) stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws. In the absence of any such provision, all meetings shall be held at the registered office of the corporation in this state.

An annual meeting of the members shall be held at such time as may be (provided) stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws. Failure to hold the annual meeting at the designated time shall not work a forfeiture or dissolution of the corporation.

Special meetings of the members may be called by the president or by the board of directors. Special meetings of the members may also be called by such other officers or persons or number or proportion of members as may be provided in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws. In the absence of a provision fixing the number or proportion of members entitled to call a meeting, a special meeting of members may be called by members having one-twentieth of the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting.

Except as may be otherwise restricted by the articles of incorporation or the bylaws, members of the corporation may participate in a meeting of members by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time and participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.

Sec. 15. Section 21, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.100 are each amended to read as follows:

(The number of directors of a corporation shall be not less than three. Subject to such limitation, the number of directors shall be fixed by the bylaws, except as to the number of the first board of directors which number shall be fixed by the articles of incorporation. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by amendment to the bylaws, unless the articles of incorporation provide that a change in the number of directors shall be made only by amendment of the articles of incorporation. No decrease in number shall have the effect of shortening the term of any
The board of directors of a corporation shall consist of one or more individuals. The number of directors shall be fixed by or in the manner provided in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws, except as to the number constituting the initial board of directors, which number shall be fixed by the articles of incorporation. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by amendment to or in the manner provided in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws, but a decrease shall not have the effect of shortening the term of any incumbent director. In the absence of a bylaw providing for the number of directors, the number shall be the same as that provided for in the articles of incorporation. The names and addresses of the members of the first board of directors shall be stated in the articles of incorporation. Such persons shall hold office until the first annual election of directors or for such other period as may be specified in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws. Thereafter, directors shall be elected or appointed in the manner and for the terms provided in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws. Directors may be divided into classes and the terms of office and manner of election or appointment need not be uniform. Each director shall hold office for the term for which the director is elected or appointed and until the director's successor shall have been selected and qualified.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 16. A new section is added to chapter 24.03 RCW to read as follows:

The bylaws or articles of incorporation may contain a procedure for removal of directors. If the articles of incorporation or bylaws provide for the election of any director or directors by members, then in the absence of any provision regarding removal of directors:

(1) Any director elected by members may be removed, with or without cause, by two-thirds of the votes cast by members having voting rights with
regard to the election of any director, represented in person or by proxy at a meeting of members at which a quorum is present;

(2) In the case of a corporation having cumulative voting, if less than the entire board is to be removed, no one of the directors may be removed if the votes cast against that director's removal would be sufficient to elect that director if then cumulatively voted at an election of the entire board of directors, or, if there be classes of directors, at an election of the class of directors of which he or she is a part; and

(3) Whenever the members of any class are entitled to elect one or more directors by the provisions of the articles of incorporation, the provisions of this section shall apply, in respect to the removal of a director or directors so elected, to the vote of the members of that class and not to the vote of the members as a whole.

Sec. 17. Section 22, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.105 are each amended to read as follows:

Any vacancy occurring in the board of directors and any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining board of directors even though less than a quorum is present unless the articles of incorporation or the bylaws provide that a vacancy or directorship so created shall be filled in some other manner, in which case such provision shall control. A director elected or appointed, as the case may be, to fill a vacancy shall be elected or appointed for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

Sec. 18. Section 23, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.110 are each amended to read as follows:

A majority of the number of directors fixed by, or in the manner provided in the bylaws, or in the absence of a bylaw fixing or providing for the number of directors, then of the number ((stated)) fixed by or in the manner provided in the articles of incorporation, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws; but in no event shall a quorum consist of less than one-third of the number of directors so fixed or stated. The act of the majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the board of directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by this chapter, the articles of incorporation or the bylaws.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 19. A new section is added to chapter 24.03 RCW to read as follows:

A director of a corporation who is present at a meeting of its board of directors at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless the director's dissent or abstention shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting or unless the director shall file his or her written dissent or abstention to such action with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting before the adjournment.
thereof or shall forward such dissent or abstention by registered mail to the secretary of the corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent or abstain shall not apply to a director who voted in favor of such action.

Sec. 20. Section 24, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.115 are each amended to read as follows:

If the articles of incorporation or the bylaws so provide, the board of directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the directors in office, may designate and appoint one or more committees each of which shall consist of two or more directors, which committees, to the extent provided in such resolution, in the articles of incorporation or in the bylaws of the corporation, shall have and exercise the authority of the board of directors in the management of the corporation: PROVIDED, That no such committee shall have the authority of the board of directors in reference to amending, altering or repealing the bylaws; electing, appointing or removing any member of any such committee or any director or officer of the corporation; amending the articles of incorporation; adopting a plan of merger or adopting a plan of consolidation with another corporation; authorizing the sale, lease, or exchange (or mortgage) of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the corporation not in the ordinary course of business; authorizing the voluntary dissolution of the corporation or revoking proceedings therefor; adopting a plan for the distribution of the assets of the corporation; or amending, altering or repealing any resolution of the board of directors which by its terms provides that it shall not be amended, altered or repealed by such committee. The designation and appointment of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the board of directors, or any individual director of any responsibility imposed upon it or him by law.

Sec. 21. Section 25, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.120 are each amended to read as follows:

Meetings of the board of directors, regular or special, may be held either within or without this state (and upon such notice as the bylaws may prescribe. Attendance of a director at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting except where a director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the board of directors need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting).

Regular meetings of the board of directors or of any committee designated by the board of directors may be held with or without notice as prescribed in the bylaws. Special meeting of the board of directors or any committee designated by the board of directors shall be held upon such notice as is prescribed in the bylaws. Attendance of a director or a committee
member at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a director or a committee member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the board of directors or any committee designated by the board of directors need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting unless required by the bylaws.

Except as may be otherwise restricted by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, members of the board of directors or any committee designated by the board of directors may participate in a meeting of such board or committee by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time and participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.

Sec. 22. Section 26, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.125 are each amended to read as follows:

The officers of a corporation shall consist of a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer (and such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary), each of whom shall be elected or appointed at such time and in such manner and for such terms (not exceeding three years) as may be prescribed in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws. In the absence of any such provision, all officers shall be elected or appointed annually by the board of directors. If the articles or bylaws so provide, any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of president and secretary. Such other officers and assistant officers or agents as may be deemed necessary may be elected or appointed by the board of directors or chosen in such other manner as may be prescribed by the articles or bylaws.

The articles of incorporation or the bylaws may provide that any one or more officers of the corporation shall be ex officio members of the board of directors.

The officers of a corporation may be designated by such additional titles as may be provided in the articles of incorporation or the bylaws.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 23. A new section is added to chapter 24.03 RCW to read as follows:

A director shall perform the duties of a director, including the duties as a member of any committee of the board upon which the director may serve, in good faith, in a manner such director believes to be in the best interests of the corporation, and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, as an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would use under similar circumstances.
In performing the duties of a director, a director shall be entitled to rely on information, opinions, reports, or statements, including financial statements and other financial data, in each case prepared or presented by:

(1) One or more officers or employees of the corporation whom the director believes to be reliable and competent in the matter presented;

(2) Counsel, public accountants, or other persons as to matters which the director believes to be within such person's professional or expert competence; or

(3) A committee of the board upon which the director does not serve, duly designated in accordance with a provision in the articles of incorporation or bylaws, as to matters within its designated authority, which committee the director believes to merit confidence; so long as, in any such case, the director acts in good faith, after reasonable inquiry when the need therefor is indicated by the circumstances and without knowledge that would cause such reliance to be unwarranted.

Sec. 24. Section 28, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.135 are each amended to read as follows:

Each corporation shall keep ((correct and complete books and records of account and shall keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors and committees having any of the authority of the board of directors, and shall keep at its registered office or principal office in this state a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote. All books and records of a corporation may be inspected by any member, or his agent or attorney, for any proper purpose at any reasonable time:)) at its registered office, its principal office in this state, or at its secretary's office if in this state, the following:

(1) Current articles and bylaws;

(2) A record of members, including names, addresses, and classes of membership, if any;

(3) Correct and adequate records of accounts and finances;

(4) A record of officers' and directors' names and addresses;

(5) Minutes of the proceedings of the members, if any, the board, and any minutes which may be maintained by committees of the board. Records may be written, or electronic if capable of being converted to writing.

The records shall be open at any reasonable time to inspection by any member of more than three months standing or a representative of more than five percent of the membership.

Cost of inspecting or copying shall be borne by such member except for costs for copies of articles or bylaws. Any such member must have a purpose for inspection reasonably related to membership interests. Use or sale of members' lists by such member if obtained by inspection is prohibited.

The superior court of the corporation's or such member's residence may order inspection and may appoint independent inspectors. Such member shall pay inspection costs unless the court orders otherwise.
Sec. 25. Section 31, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 84, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.150 are each amended to read as follows:

Upon the filing of the articles of incorporation, the corporate existence shall begin, and the certificate of incorporation shall be conclusive evidence that all conditions precedent required to be performed by the incorporators have been complied with and that the corporation has been incorporated under this chapter, except as against the state in a proceeding to cancel or revoke the certificate of incorporation or for involuntary or administrative dissolution.

Sec. 26. Section 32, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.155 are each amended to read as follows:

After the issuance of the certificate of incorporation an organization meeting of the board of directors named in the articles of incorporation shall be held, either within or without this state, at the call of a majority of the directors named in the articles of incorporation, for the purpose of adopting bylaws, electing officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. The directors calling the meeting shall give at least three days' notice thereof by mail to each director so named, which notice shall state the time and place of the meeting. Any action permitted to be taken at the organization meeting of the directors may be taken without a meeting if each director signs an instrument stating the action so taken.

Sec. 27. Section 34, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.165 are each amended to read as follows:

Amendments to the articles of incorporation shall be made in the following manner:

(1) Where there are members having voting rights, with regard to the question, the board of directors shall adopt a resolution setting forth the proposed amendment and directing that it be submitted to a vote at a meeting of members having voting rights, which may be either an annual or a special meeting. Written or printed notice setting forth the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be effected thereby shall be given to each member entitled to vote at such meeting within the time and in the manner provided in this chapter for the giving of notice of meetings of members. The proposed amendment shall be adopted upon receiving at least two-thirds of the votes which members present at such meeting or represented by proxy are entitled to cast.

(2) Where there are no members, or no members having voting rights, with regard to the question, an amendment shall be adopted at a meeting of
the board of directors upon receiving the vote of a majority of the directors in office.

Any number of amendments may be submitted and voted upon at any one meeting.

Sec. 28. Section 37, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 87, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.180 are each amended to read as follows:

Upon the filing of the articles of amendment by the secretary of state, or on such later date, not more than thirty days subsequent to the filing thereof by the secretary of state, as may be provided in the articles of amendment, the amendment shall become effective and the articles of incorporation shall be deemed to be amended accordingly.

No amendment shall affect any existing cause of action in favor of or against such corporation, or any pending action to which such corporation shall be a party, or the existing rights of persons other than members; and, in the event the corporate name shall be changed by amendment, no action brought by or against such corporation under its former name shall abate for that reason.

Sec. 29. Section 88, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.183 are each amended to read as follows:

A domestic corporation may at any time restate its articles of incorporation (as theretofore amended) by a resolution adopted by the board of directors. A corporation may amend and restate in one resolution, but may not present the amendments and restatement for filing by the secretary in a single document. Separate articles of amendment, under RCW 24.03.165 and articles of restatement, under this section, must be presented notwithstanding the corporation's adoption of a single resolution of amendment and restatement.

Upon the adoption of the resolution, restated articles of incorporation shall be executed in duplicate by the corporation by one of its officers (and). The restated articles shall set forth all of the operative provisions of the articles of incorporation (as theretofore amended) together with a statement that the restated articles of incorporation correctly set forth without change the (corresponding) provisions of the articles of incorporation as (theretofore) amended and that the restated articles of incorporation supersede the original articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto.

Duplicate originals of the restated articles of incorporation shall be delivered to the secretary of state. If the secretary of state finds that the restated articles of incorporation conform to law, the secretary of state shall, when all fees required by this title have been paid:

(1) Endorse on each duplicate original the word "Filed" and the (effective) date of the filing thereof;

(2) File one duplicate original; and
(3) Issue a restated certificate of incorporation, to which the other duplicate original shall be affixed.

The restated certificate of incorporation, together with the duplicate original of the restated articles of incorporation affixed thereto by the secretary of state, shall be returned to the corporation or its representative.

Upon the filing of the restated articles of incorporation by the secretary of state, the restated articles of incorporation shall become effective and shall supersede the original articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto.

Sec. 30. Section 38, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.185 are each amended to read as follows:

Any two or more domestic corporations subject to this chapter may merge into one of such corporations pursuant to a plan of merger approved in the manner provided in this chapter.

Each corporation shall adopt a plan of merger setting forth:

(1) The names of the corporations proposing to merge, and the name of the corporation into which they propose to merge, which is hereinafter designated as the surviving corporation.

(2) The terms and conditions of the proposed merger.

(3) A statement of any changes in the articles of incorporation of the surviving corporation to be effected by such merger.

(4) Such other provisions with respect to the proposed merger as are deemed necessary or desirable.

Sec. 31. Section 39, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.190 are each amended to read as follows:

Any two or more domestic corporations subject to this chapter may consolidate into a new corporation pursuant to a plan of consolidation approved in the manner provided in this chapter.

Each corporation shall adopt a plan of consolidation setting forth:

(1) The names of the corporations proposing to consolidate, and the name of the new corporation into which they propose to consolidate, which is hereinafter designated as the new corporation.

(2) The terms and conditions of the proposed consolidation.

(3) With respect to the new corporation, all of the statements required to be set forth in articles of incorporation for corporations organized under this chapter.

(4) Such other provisions with respect to the proposed consolidation as are deemed necessary or desirable.

Sec. 32. Section 40, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.195 are each amended to read as follows:

A plan of merger or consolidation shall be adopted in the following manner:
(1) Where the members of any merging or consolidating corporation have voting rights with regard to the question, the board of directors of such corporation shall adopt a resolution approving the proposed plan and directing that it be submitted to a vote at a meeting of members having voting rights, which may be either an annual or a special meeting. Written or printed notice setting forth the proposed plan or a summary thereof shall be given to each member entitled to vote at such meeting within the time and in the manner provided in this chapter for the giving of notice of meetings of members. The proposed plan shall be adopted upon receiving at least two-thirds of the votes which members present at each such meeting or represented by proxy are entitled to cast.

(2) Where any merging or consolidating corporation has no members, or no members having voting rights with regard to the question, a plan of merger or consolidation shall be adopted at a meeting of the board of directors of such corporation upon receiving the vote of a majority of the directors in office.

After such approval, and at any time prior to the filing of the articles of merger or consolidation, the merger or consolidation may be abandoned pursuant to provisions therefor, if any, set forth in the plan of merger or consolidation.

Sec. 33. Section 41, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 89, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.200 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Upon such approval, articles of merger or articles of consolidation shall be executed in duplicate by each corporation by an officer of each corporation, and shall set forth:

(a) The plan of merger or the plan of consolidation;

(b) Where the members of any merging or consolidating corporation have voting rights, then as to each such corporation (i) a statement setting forth the date of the meeting of members at which the plan was adopted, that a quorum was present at such meeting, and that such plan received at least two-thirds of the votes which members present at such meeting or represented by proxy were entitled to cast, or (ii) a statement that such amendment was adopted by a consent in writing signed by all members entitled to vote with respect thereto;

(c) Where any merging or consolidating corporation has no members, or no members having voting rights, then as to each such corporation a statement of such fact, the date of the meeting of the board of directors at which the plan was adopted and a statement of the fact that such plan received the vote of a majority of the directors in office.

(2) Duplicate originals of the articles of merger or articles of consolidation shall be delivered to the secretary of state. If the secretary of state finds that such articles conform to law, the secretary of state shall, when all fees have been paid as in this chapter prescribed:
(a) Endorse on each of such duplicate originals the word "Filed," and the (effective) date of the filing thereof;

(b) File one of such duplicate originals; and

(c) Issue a certificate of merger or a certificate of consolidation to which the other duplicate original shall be affixed.

The certificate of merger or certificate of consolidation, together with the duplicate original of the articles of merger or articles of consolidation affixed thereto by the secretary of state, shall be returned to the surviving or new corporation, as the case may be, or its representative.

Sec. 34. Section 42, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 90, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.205 are each amended to read as follows:

((Upon the filing of the articles of merger, or the articles of consolidation by the secretary of state, the merger or consolidation shall be effected:))

A merger or consolidation shall become effective upon the filing of the articles of merger or articles of consolidation with the secretary of state, or on such later date, not more than thirty days after the filing thereof with the secretary of state, as shall be provided for in the plan.

Sec. 35. Section 91, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.207 are each amended to read as follows:

One or more foreign corporations and one or more domestic corporations may be merged or consolidated (or participate in an exchange) in the following manner, if such merger (or consolidation, exchange) is permitted by the laws of the state under which each such foreign corporation is organized:

(1) Each domestic corporation shall comply with the provisions of this title with respect to the merger (or consolidation, exchange) as the case may be, of domestic corporations and each foreign corporation shall comply with the applicable provisions of the laws of the state under which it is organized.

(2) If the surviving or new corporation in a merger or consolidation is to be governed by the laws of any state other than this state, it shall comply with the provisions of this title with respect to foreign corporations if it is to transact business in this state, and in every case it shall file with the secretary of state of this state:

(a) An agreement that it may be served with process in this state in any proceeding for the enforcement of any obligation of any domestic corporation which is a party to the merger or consolidation and in any proceeding for the enforcement of the rights, if any, of a (dissenting shareholder) member of any such domestic corporation against the surviving or new corporation; and

(b) An irrevocable appointment of the secretary of state of this state as its agent to accept service of process in any such proceeding; and
(c) An agreement that it will promptly pay to the dissenting shareholders of any such domestic corporation the amount, if any, to which they shall be entitled under the provisions of this title with respect to the rights of dissenting shareholders).

The effect of the merger or consolidation shall be the same as in the case of the merger or consolidation of domestic corporations, if the surviving or new corporation is to be governed by the laws of this state. If the surviving or new corporation is to be governed by the laws of any state other than this state, the effect of the merger or consolidation shall be the same as in the case of the merger or consolidation of domestic corporations except as the laws of the other state provide otherwise.

(3) At any time prior to the effective date of the articles of merger or consolidation, the merger or consolidation may be abandoned pursuant to provision therefor, if any, set forth in the plan of merger or consolidation. In the event the merger or consolidation is abandoned, the parties thereto shall execute a notice of abandonment in triplicate signed by an officer for each corporation signing the notice. If the secretary of state finds the notice conforms to law, the secretary of state shall:

(a) Endorse on each of the originals the word "Filed" and the date of the filing;
(b) File one of the triplicate originals in the secretary of state's office; and
(c) Issue the other triplicate originals to the respective parties or their representatives.

Sec. 36. Section 44, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.215 are each amended to read as follows:

A sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of all, or substantially all, the property and assets of a corporation, if not in the ordinary course of business, may be made upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration, which may consist in whole or in part of money or property, real or personal, including shares of any corporation for profit, domestic or foreign, as may be authorized in the following manner:

(1) Where there are members having voting rights with regard to the question, the board of directors shall adopt a resolution recommending such sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition and directing that it be submitted to a vote at a meeting of members having voting rights, which may be either an annual or a special meeting. Written or printed notice stating that the purpose, or one of the purposes, of such meeting is to consider the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of all, or substantially all, the property and assets of the corporation shall be given to each member entitled to vote at such meeting, within the time and in the manner provided by this chapter for the giving of
notice of meetings of members. At such meeting the members may authorize such sale, lease, exchange, ((mortgage, pledge)) or other disposition and may fix, or may authorize the board of directors to fix, any or all of the terms and conditions thereof and the consideration to be received by the corporation therefor. Such authorization shall require at least two-thirds of the votes which members present at such meeting or represented by proxy are entitled to cast. After such authorization by a vote of members, the board of directors, nevertheless, in its discretion, may abandon such sale, lease, exchange, ((mortgage, pledge)) or other disposition of assets, subject to the rights of third parties under any contracts relating thereto, without further action or approval by members.

(2) Where there are no members, or no members having voting rights with regard to the question, a sale, lease, exchange, ((mortgage, pledge)) or other disposition of all, or substantially all, the property and assets of a corporation shall be authorized upon receiving the vote of a majority of the directors in office.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 37. A new section is added to chapter 24.03 RCW to read as follows:

The sale, lease, exchange or other disposition of all, or substantially all, the property and assets of a corporation in the usual and regular course of its business and the mortgage or pledge of any or all property and assets of a corporation whether or not in the usual course of business may be made upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration, which may consist in whole or in part of money or property, real or personal, including shares, obligations, or other securities of any other corporation, domestic or foreign, as shall be authorized by its board of directors. In any such case, no other authorization or consent of any member shall be required.

Sec. 38. Section 45, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 92, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.220 are each amended to read as follows:

A corporation may dissolve and wind up its affairs in the following manner:

(1) Where there are members having voting rights with regard to the question, the board of directors shall adopt a resolution recommending that the corporation be dissolved, and directing that the question of such dissolution be submitted to a vote at a meeting of members having such voting rights, which may be either an annual or a special meeting. Written or printed notice stating that the purpose, or one of the purposes, of such meeting is to consider the advisability of dissolving the corporation, shall be given to each member entitled to vote at such meeting, within the time and in the manner provided in this chapter for the giving of notice of meetings of members. A resolution to dissolve the corporation shall be adopted upon receiving at least two-thirds of the votes which members present at such meeting or represented by proxy are entitled to cast.
(2) Where there are no members, or no members having voting rights with regard to the question, the dissolution of the corporation shall be authorized at a meeting of the board of directors upon the adoption of a resolution to dissolve by the vote of a majority of the directors in office.

Upon the adoption of such resolution by the members, or by the board of directors where there are no members or no members having voting rights, the corporation shall cease to conduct its affairs except in so far as may be necessary for the winding up thereof, shall immediately cause a notice of the proposed dissolution to be mailed to each known creditor of the corporation, to the attorney general with respect to assets subject to RCW 24.03.225(3), and to the department of revenue, and shall proceed to collect its assets and apply and distribute them as provided in this chapter.

Sec. 39. Section 54, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.265 are each amended to read as follows:

Superior courts shall have full power to liquidate the assets and affairs of a corporation:

(1) In an action by a member (or), director, or the attorney general when it is made to appear:

(a) That the directors are deadlocked in the management of the corporate affairs and that irreparable injury to the corporation is being suffered or is threatened by reason thereof, and either that the members are unable to break the deadlock or there are no members having voting rights; or

(b) That the acts of the directors or those in control of the corporation are illegal, oppressive or fraudulent; or

(c) That the corporate assets are being misapplied or wasted; or

(d) That the corporation is unable to carry out its purposes.

(2) In an action by a creditor:

(a) When the claim of the creditor has been reduced to judgment and an execution thereon has been returned unsatisfied and it is established that the corporation is insolvent; or

(b) When the corporation has admitted in writing that the claim of the creditor is due and owing and it is established that the corporation is insolvent.

(3) Upon application by a corporation to have its dissolution continued under the supervision of the court.

(4) When an action has been filed by the attorney general to dissolve a corporation under the provisions of this chapter and it is established that liquidation of its affairs should precede the entry of a decree of dissolution.

Proceedings under subsections (1), (2), or (3) of this section shall be brought in the county in which the registered office or the principal office of the corporation is situated.

It shall not be necessary to make directors or members parties to any such action or proceedings unless relief is sought against them personally.
Sec. 40. Section 60, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.295 are each amended to read as follows:

In case the court shall enter a decree dissolving a corporation, it shall be the duty of the clerk of such court to cause a certified copy of the decree to be filed with the secretary of state. No fee shall be charged by the clerk for issuance or by the secretary of state for the filing thereof.

Sec. 41. Section 61, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 96, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.300 are each amended to read as follows:

The dissolution of a corporation either (1) by the filing and issuance of a certificate of dissolution, voluntary or (involuntary) administrative, by the secretary of state, or (2) by a decree of court when the court has not liquidated the assets and affairs of the corporation as provided in this chapter, or (3) by expiration of its period of duration, shall not take away or impair any remedy available to or against such corporation, its directors, officers, or members, for any right or claim existing, or any liability incurred, prior to such dissolution if action or other proceeding thereon is commenced within two years after the date of such dissolution. Any such action or proceeding by or against the corporation may be prosecuted or defended by the corporation in its corporate name. The members, directors and officers shall have power to take such corporate or other action as shall be appropriate to protect such remedy, right or claim. If such corporation was dissolved by the expiration of its period of duration, such corporation may amend its articles of incorporation at any time during such period of two years after expiration so as to extend its period of duration. If, during the period of dissolution, another person or corporation has reserved or adopted a corporate name which is identical to or deceptively similar to the dissolved corporation's name, the corporation extending its period of duration shall be required to adopt another name consistent with the requirements of this chapter and to amend its articles of incorporation accordingly. The corporation shall also pay to the state all fees and penalties which would otherwise have been due if the corporate charter had not expired, plus a reinstatement fee ((of twenty-five dollars)) as provided in this chapter.

Sec. 42. Section 9, chapter 163, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 97, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.302 are each amended to read as follows:

A corporation shall be administratively dissolved by the secretary of state upon the conditions prescribed in this section when the corporation:

(1) Has failed to file or complete its annual report within the time required by law; or

(2) Has failed for thirty days to appoint or maintain a registered agent in this state; or
(3) Has failed for thirty days, after change of its registered agent or registered office, to file in the office of the secretary of state a statement of such change.

A corporation shall not be dissolved under this section unless the secretary of state has given the corporation not less than forty-five days' notice of its delinquency or omission, by first class mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the registered office, or, if there is no registered office, to the last known address of any officer or director as shown by the records of the secretary of state, and unless the corporation has failed to correct the omission or delinquency before expiration of the forty-five day period.

When a corporation has given cause for dissolution under this section, and has failed to correct the delinquency or omission as provided in this section, the secretary of the state shall dissolve the corporation by issuing a certificate of (involuntary) administrative dissolution containing a statement that the corporation has been dissolved and the date and reason for which it was dissolved. The original certificate of (involuntary) administrative dissolution shall be filed in the records of the secretary of state, and a copy of the certificate shall forthwith be mailed to the corporation at its registered office or, if there is no registered office, to the last known address of the corporation or any officer, director, or incorporator of the corporation, as shown by the records of the secretary of state. Upon the filing of the certificate of (involuntary) administrative dissolution, the existence of the corporation shall cease, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, and its name shall be available to and may be adopted by another corporation after the dissolution.

Any notice provided by the secretary of state under this section shall be designed to clearly identify and warn the recipient of the contents thereof. A delinquency notice shall provide a succinct and readable description of the delinquency or omission, the date on which dissolution will occur, and the action necessary to cure the delinquency or omission prior to dissolution.

A corporation which has been dissolved by operation of this section may be reinstated within a period of three years following its dissolution if it shall file or complete its annual report or if it shall appoint or maintain a registered agent, or if it shall file with the secretary of state a required statement of change of registered agent or registered office and in addition, if it shall pay a reinstatement fee of twenty-five dollars plus any other fees that may be due and owing the secretary of state. If, during the period of dissolution, another person or corporation has reserved or adopted a corporate name which is identical to or deceptively similar to the dissolved corporation's name, the dissolved corporation seeking reinstatement shall be required to adopt another name consistent with the requirements of this chapter and to amend its articles of incorporation accordingly. When a corporation has been dissolved by operation of this section, remedies available to or against it shall survive in the manner provided in RCW 24.03.300 and
the directors of the corporation shall hold the title to the property of the 
corporation as trustees for the benefit of its creditors and members.

Sec. 43. Section 62, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.305 
are each amended to read as follows:

No foreign corporation shall have the right to conduct affairs in this 
state until it shall have procured a certificate of authority so to do from the 
secretary of state. No foreign corporation shall be entitled to procure a cer-
tificate of authority under this chapter to conduct in this state any affairs 
which a corporation organized under this chapter is not permitted to con-
duct. A foreign corporation shall not be denied a certificate of authority by 
reason of the fact that the laws of the state or country under which such 
corporation is organized governing its organization and internal affairs dif-
fer from the laws of this state, and nothing in this chapter contained shall 
be construed to authorize this state to regulate the organization or the in-
ternal affairs of such corporation.

Without excluding other activities which may not constitute conducting 
affairs in this state, a foreign corporation shall not be considered to be con-
ducting affairs in this state, for the purposes of this chapter, by reason of 
carrying on in this state any one or more of the following activities:

(1) Maintaining or defending any action or suit or any administrative 
or arbitration proceeding, or effecting the settlement thereof or the settle-
ment of claims or disputes.

(2) Holding meetings of its directors or members or carrying on other 
activities concerning its internal affairs.

(3) Maintaining bank accounts.

(4) Creating evidences of debt, mortgages or liens on real or personal 
property.

(5) Securing or collecting debts due to it or enforcing any rights in 
property securing the same.

(6) Effecting sales through independent contractors.

(7) Soliciting or procuring orders, whether by mail or through employ-
ees or agents or otherwise, where such orders require acceptance without 
this state before becoming binding contracts.

(8) Creating as borrower or lender, or acquiring, indebtedness or 
mortgages or other security interests in real or personal property.

(9) Securing or collecting debts or enforcing any rights in property se-
curing the same.

(10) Transacting any business in interstate commerce.

(11) Conducting an isolated transaction completed within a period of 

thirty days and not in the course of a number of repeated transactions of 
like nature.

Sec. 44. Section 65, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.320 
are each amended to read as follows:
Whenever a foreign corporation which is authorized to conduct affairs in this state shall change its name to one under which a certificate of authority would not be granted to it on application therefor, the certificate of authority of such corporation shall be suspended and it shall not thereafter conduct any affairs in this state until it has changed its name to a name which is available to it under the laws of this state or has otherwise complied with the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 45. Section 66, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.325 are each amended to read as follows:

A foreign corporation, in order to procure a certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state, shall make application therefor to the secretary of state, which application shall set forth:

(1) The name of the corporation and the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated.

(2) If the name of the corporation contains the word "corporation," "company," "incorporated," or "limited," or contains an abbreviation of one of such words, then the name of the corporation which it elects for use in this state.

(3) The date of incorporation and the period of duration of the corporation.

(((((4))) (4) The address of the principal office of the corporation ((in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated)).

((((4)))) (4) The address of the proposed registered office of the corporation in this state, and the name of its proposed registered agent in this state at such address:))

(5) A statement that a registered agent has been appointed and the name and address of such agent, and that a registered office exists and the address of such registered office is identical to that of the registered agent.

(6) The purpose or purposes of the corporation which it proposes to pursue in conducting its affairs in this state.

((((6)))) (7) The names and respective addresses of the directors and officers of the corporation.

((((7)))) (8) Such additional information as may be necessary or appropriate in order to enable the secretary of state to determine whether such corporation is entitled to a certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state.

The application shall be made in the form prescribed by the secretary of state and shall be executed in duplicate by the corporation by one of its officers.

The application shall be accompanied by a certificate of good standing which has been issued no more than sixty days before the date of filing of the application for a certificate of authority to do business in this state and has been certified to by the proper officer of the state or country under the laws of which the corporation is incorporated.
Sec. 46. Section 67, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as last amended by section 99, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.330 are each amended to read as follows:

Duplicate originals of the application of the corporation for a certificate of authority shall be delivered to the secretary of state (together with a certificate of good standing which has been issued within the previous sixty days and certified to by the proper officer of the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated).

If the secretary of state finds that such application conforms to law, the secretary of state shall, when all fees have been paid as in this chapter prescribed:

1. Endorse on each of such documents the word "Filed," and the date of the filing thereof.
2. File one of such duplicate originals of the application and the copy of the articles of incorporation and amendments thereto.
3. Issue a certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state to which the other duplicate original application shall be affixed.

The certificate of authority, together with the duplicate original of the application affixed thereto by the secretary of state, shall be returned to the corporation or its representative.

Sec. 47. Section 70, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 102, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.345 are each amended to read as follows:

A foreign corporation authorized to conduct affairs in this state may change its registered office or change its registered agent, or both, upon filing in the office of the secretary of state in a form approved by the secretary of state a statement setting forth:

1. The name of the corporation.
2. If the address of its registered office is to be changed, the address to which the registered office is to be changed.
3. If its registered agent is to be changed, the name of its successor registered agent.
4. That the address of its registered office and the address of the office of its registered agent, as changed, will be identical.
5. That such change was authorized by resolution duly adopted by its board of directors.

Such statement shall be executed by the corporation by an officer of the corporation, and delivered to the secretary of state, together with a written consent of the registered agent to his or its appointment, if applicable. If the secretary of state finds that such statement conforms to the provisions of this chapter, the secretary of state shall ((file such statement, and upon such filing the change of address of the registered office, or the appointment of a new registered agent, or both, as the case may be, shall become effective)) endorse thereon the word "Filed," and the month, day, and
year of the filing thereof, and file the statement. The change of address of
the registered office, or the appointment of a new registered agent, or both,
as the case may be, shall become effective upon filing unless a later date is
specified.

Any registered agent in this state appointed by a foreign corporation
may resign as such agent upon filing a written notice thereof, executed in
duplicate, with the secretary of state who shall forthwith mail a copy there-
of to the secretary of the foreign corporation at its principal office ((in the
state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated)) as shown by its
most recent annual report. The appointment of such agent shall terminate
upon the expiration of thirty days after receipt of such notice by the secre-
tary of state.

If a registered agent changes his business address to another place
within the state, the registered agent may change such address and the ad-
dress of the registered office of any corporation of which the registered
agent is a registered agent by filing a statement as required by this section,
except that it need be signed only by the registered agent, it need not be
responsive to subsection (3) or (5) of this section, and it must recite that a
copy of the statement has been mailed to the corporation.

Sec. 48. Section 71, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section
103, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.350 are each amended to
read as follows:

The registered agent so appointed by a foreign corporation authorized
to conduct affairs in this state shall be an agent of such corporation upon
whom any process, notice or demand required or permitted by law to be
served upon the corporation may be served.

Whenever a foreign corporation authorized to conduct affairs in this
state shall fail to appoint or maintain a registered agent in this state, or
whenever any such registered agent cannot with reasonable diligence be
found at the registered office, or whenever the certificate of authority of a
foreign corporation shall be suspended or revoked, then the secretary of
state shall be an agent of such corporation upon whom any such process,
notice, or demand may be served. Service on the secretary of state of any
such process, notice, or demand shall be made by delivering to and leaving
with the secretary of state, or with any duly authorized clerk of the corpo-
ration department of the secretary of state's office, duplicate copies of such
process, notice or demand. In the event any such process, notice or demand
is served on the secretary of state, the secretary of state shall immediately
cause one of such copies thereof to be forwarded by certified mail, address-
ed to the secretary of the corporation ((at its principal office in the state or
country under the laws of which it is incorporated)) as shown on the records
of the secretary of state. Any service so had on the secretary of state shall
be returnable in not less than thirty days.
The secretary of state shall keep a record of all processes, notices and demands served upon the secretary of state under this section, and shall record therein the time of such service and his action with reference thereto.

Nothing herein contained shall limit or affect the right to serve any process, notice or demand, required or permitted by law to be served upon a corporation in any other manner now or hereafter permitted by law.

Sec. 49. Section 73, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.360 are each amended to read as follows:

Whenever a foreign corporation authorized to conduct affairs in this state shall be a party to a statutory merger permitted by the laws of the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated, and such corporation shall be the surviving corporation, it shall((, within thirty days after such merger becomes effective, file with the secretary of state a copy of the articles of merger duly authenticated by the proper officer of the state or country under the laws of which such statutory merger was effected, and it shall)) not be necessary for such corporation to procure either a new or amended certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state unless the name of such corporation be changed thereby or unless the corporation desires to pursue in this state other or additional purposes than those which it is then authorized to pursue in this state.

Sec. 50. Section 77, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 106, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.380 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The certificate of authority of a foreign corporation to conduct affairs in this state shall be revoked by the secretary of state upon the conditions prescribed in this section when:

(((4))) (a) The corporation has failed to file its annual report within the time required by this chapter, or has failed to pay any fees or penalties prescribed by this chapter when they have become due and payable; or

(((2))) (b) The corporation has failed for thirty days to appoint and maintain a registered agent in this state as required by this chapter; or

(((3))) (c) The corporation has failed, for thirty days after change of its registered agent or registered office, to file in the office of the secretary of state a statement of such change as required by this chapter; or

(((4))) (d) The corporation has failed to file in the office of the secretary of state any amendment to its articles of incorporation or any articles of merger within the time prescribed by this chapter; or

(5) The certificate of authority of the corporation was procured through fraud practiced upon the state; or

(6)) (d) The corporation has continued to exceed or abuse the authority conferred upon it by this chapter; or

(((7))) (e) A misrepresentation has been made of any material matter in any application, report, affidavit, or other document submitted by such corporation pursuant to this chapter.
((No certificate of authority of a foreign corporation shall be revoked
by the secretary of state unless the secretary of state shall have given the
 corporation not less than sixty days' notice thereof by first class mail ad-
dressed to its registered office in this state, or, if there is no registered office;
to the last known address of any officer or director of the corporation as
shown by the records of the secretary of state, and the corporation shall fail
prior to revocation to file such annual report, or pay such fees or penalties;
or file the required statement of change of registered agent, or file such ar-
ticles of amendment or articles of merger, or correct such misrepresentation;
delinquency, or omission;))

(2) Prior to revoking a certificate of authority under subsection (1) of this section, the secretary of state shall give the
corporation written notice of the corporation's delinquency or omission by
first class mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the corporation's registered
agent. If, according to the records of the secretary of state, the corporation
do not have a registered agent, the notice may be given by mail addressed
to the corporation at its last known address or at the address of any officer
or director of the corporation, as shown by the records of the secretary of
state. Notice is deemed to have been given five days after the date deposited
in the United States mail, correctly addressed, and with correct postage af-
fixed. The notice shall inform the corporation that its certificate of authority
shall be revoked at the expiration of sixty days following the date the notice
had been deemed to have been given, unless it corrects the delinquency or
omission within the sixty-day period.

(3) Any notice provided by the secretary of state under this section
shall be designed to clearly identify and warn the recipient of the contents
thereof. A delinquency notice shall provide a succinct and readable descrip-
tion of the delinquency or omission, the date on which dissolution will occur,
and the action necessary to cure the delinquency or omission prior to
dissolution.

(4) The attorney general may take such action regarding revocation of
a certificate of authority as is provided by RCW 24.03.250 for the dissolu-
tion of a domestic corporation. The procedures of RCW 24.03.250 shall ap-
ply to any action under this section. The clerk of any superior court entering
a decree of revocation of a certificate of authority shall file a certified copy,
without cost or filing fee, with the office of the secretary of state.

Sec. 51. Section 78, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section
107, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.385 are each amended to
read as follows:

Upon revoking any certificate of authority under RCW 24.03.380, the
secretary of state shall:

(1) Issue a certificate of revocation in duplicate.
(2) File one of such certificates in the secretary of state's office.
(3) Mail ((to such corporation at its registered office in this state a no-
tice of such revocation accompanied by one of such certificates)) the other
duplicate certificate to such corporation at its registered office in this state or, if there is no registered office in this state, to the corporation at the last known address of any officer or director of the corporation, as shown by the records of the secretary of state.

Upon the filing of such certificate of revocation, the authority of the corporation to conduct affairs in this state shall cease.

Sec. 52. Section 79, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.390 are each amended to read as follows:

No foreign corporation which is conducting affairs in this state without a certificate of authority shall be permitted to maintain any action, suit or proceeding in any court of this state until such corporation shall have obtained a certificate of authority. Nor shall any action, suit or proceeding be maintained in any court of this state by any successor or assignee of such corporation on any right, claim or demand arising out of the conduct of affairs by such corporation in this state, until a certificate of authority shall have been obtained by such corporation or by a corporation which has acquired all or substantially all of its assets.

The failure of a foreign corporation to obtain a certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state shall not impair the validity of any contract or act of such corporation, and shall not prevent such corporation from defending any action, suit or proceeding in any court of this state.

A foreign corporation which transacts business in this state without a certificate of authority shall be liable to this state, for the years or parts thereof during which it transacted business in this state without a certificate of authority, in an amount equal to all fees which would have been imposed by this chapter upon such corporation had it duly applied for and received a certificate of authority to transact business in this state as required by this chapter and thereafter filed all reports required by this chapter, plus all penalties imposed by this chapter for failure to pay such fees. The attorney general shall bring proceedings to recover all amounts due this state under the provisions of this section.

Sec. 53. Section 80, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 108, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.395 are each amended to read as follows:

Each domestic corporation, and each foreign corporation authorized to conduct affairs in this state, shall file, within the time prescribed by this chapter, an annual report in the form prescribed by the secretary of state setting forth:

(1) The name of the corporation and the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated.

(2) The address of the registered office of the corporation in this state including street and number and the name of its registered agent in this state at such address, and, in the case of a foreign corporation, the address
of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated.

(3) A brief statement of the character of the affairs which the corporation is actually conducting, or, in the case of a foreign corporation, which the corporation is actually conducting in this state.

(4) The names and respective addresses of the directors and officers of the corporation.

The information shall be given as of the date of the execution of the report. It shall be executed by the corporation by an officer of the corporation, or, if the corporation is in the hands of a receiver or trustee, it shall be executed on behalf of the corporation by such receiver or trustee.

The secretary of state may provide that correction or updating of information appearing on previous annual filings is sufficient to constitute the current annual filing.

Sec. 54. Section 81, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as last amended by section 109, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.400 are each amended to read as follows:

Not less than thirty days prior to a corporation's renewal date, or by December 1 of each year for a nonstaggered renewal, the secretary of state shall mail to each domestic and foreign corporation, by first class mail addressed to its registered office, a notice that its annual report must be filed as required by this chapter, and stating that if it fails to file its annual report it shall be dissolved or its certificate of authority revoked, as the case may be. Failure of the secretary of state to mail any such notice shall not relieve a corporation from its obligation to file the annual reports required by this chapter.

Such annual report of a domestic or foreign corporation shall be delivered to the secretary of state between the first day of January and the first day of March of each year, or on an annual renewal date as the secretary of state may establish. (Proof to the satisfaction of the secretary of state that prior to the corporation's annual renewal date the annual report was deposited in the United States mail in a sealed envelope, properly addressed, with postage prepaid, shall be deemed a compliance with this requirement.)

If the secretary of state finds that such report substantially conforms to the requirements of this chapter, the secretary of state shall file the same.

Sec. 55. Section 82, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as last amended by section 110, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.405 are each amended to read as follows:

The secretary of state shall charge and collect for:

(1) Filing articles of incorporation and issuing a certificate of incorporation, twenty dollars.

(2) Filing articles of amendment or restatement and issuing a certificate of amendment or a restated certificate of incorporation, ten dollars.

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(3) Filing articles of merger or consolidation and issuing a certificate of merger or consolidation, ten dollars.

(4) Filing a statement of change of address of registered office or change of registered agent, or revocation, resignation, affidavit of nonappointment, or any combination of these, five dollars. A separate fee for filing such statement shall not be charged if the statement appears in an amendment to articles of incorporation or in conjunction with the filing of the annual report.

(5) Filing articles of dissolution, no fee.

(6) Filing an application of a foreign corporation for a certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state and issuing a certificate of authority, twenty dollars.

(7) Filing an application of a foreign corporation for an amended certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state and issuing an amended certificate of authority, ten dollars.

(8) Filing a copy of an amendment to the articles of incorporation of a foreign corporation holding a certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state, ten dollars.

(9) Filing a copy of articles of merger of a foreign corporation holding a certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state, ten dollars.

(10) Filing an application for withdrawal of a foreign corporation and issuing a certificate of withdrawal, no fee.

(11) Filing a certificate by a foreign corporation of the appointment of a registered agent, five dollars. A separate fee for filing such certificate shall not be charged if the statement appears in an amendment to the articles of incorporation or in conjunction with the filing of the annual report.

(12) Filing a certificate by a foreign corporation of the revocation of the appointment of a registered agent, five dollars. A separate fee for filing such a certificate shall not be charged if the statement appears in an amendment to the articles of incorporation or in conjunction with the filing of the annual report.

(13) Filing a notice of transfer of a reserved corporate name, five dollars.

(14) Filing any other statement or report authorized for filing under this chapter, including an annual report, of a domestic or foreign corporation, ten dollars.
Sec. 56. Section 90, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 as amended by section 115, chapter 35, Laws of 1982 and RCW 24.03.445 are each amended to read as follows:

If the secretary of state shall fail to approve any articles of incorporation, amendment, merger, consolidation or dissolution, or any other document required by this chapter to be approved by the secretary of state before the same shall be filed in his or her office, the secretary of state shall give written notice of disapproval to the person or corporation, domestic or foreign, delivering the same, specifying the reasons therefor. Within thirty days from such disapproval any person or corporation may appeal to the superior court of the county in which the registered office of such corporation is, or is proposed to be, situated by filing with the clerk of such court a petition setting forth a copy of the articles or other document sought to be filed and a copy of the written disapproval thereof by the secretary of state; whereupon the matter shall be tried de novo by the court, and the court shall either sustain the action of the secretary of state or direct the secretary of state to take such action as the court may deem proper.

If the secretary of state shall revoke the certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state of any foreign corporation, pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, such foreign corporation may likewise appeal to the superior court of the county where the registered office of such corporation in this state is situated, by filing with the clerk of such court a petition setting forth a copy of its certificate of authority to conduct affairs in this state and a copy of the notice of revocation given by the secretary of state; whereupon the matter shall be tried de novo by the court, and the court shall either sustain the action of the secretary of state or direct the secretary of state to take such action as the court may deem proper.

Appeals from all final orders and judgments entered by the superior court under this section in review of any ruling or decision of the secretary of state may be taken as in other civil actions) pursuant to the provisions of the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.04 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 57. A new section is added to chapter 24.03 RCW to read as follows:

(1) A corporation revoked under RCW 24.03.380 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement within three years after the effective date of revocation. An application filed within such two-year period may be amended or supplemented and any such amendment or supplement shall be effective as of the date of original filing. The application filed under this section shall be filed under and by authority of an officer of the corporation.

(2) The application shall:
(a) State the name of the corporation and, if applicable, the name the corporation had elected to use in this state at the time of revocation, and the effective date of its revocation;

(b) Provide an explanation to show that the grounds for revocation either did not exist or have been eliminated;

(c) State the name of the corporation at the time of reinstatement and, if applicable, the name the corporation elects to use in this state at the time of reinstatement which may be reserved under RCW 24.03.046;

(d) Appoint a registered agent and state the registered office address under RCW 24.03.340; and

(e) Be accompanied by payment of applicable fees and penalties.

(3) If the secretary of state determines that the application conforms to law, and that all applicable fees have been paid, the secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of revocation, prepare and file a certificate of reinstatement, and mail a copy of the certificate of reinstatement to the corporation.

(4) Reinstatement under this section relates back to and takes effect as of the date of revocation. The corporate authority shall be deemed to have continued without interruption from that date.

(5) In the event the application for reinstatement states a corporate name which the secretary of state finds to be contrary to the requirements of RCW 24.03.046, the application, amended application, or supplemental application shall be amended to adopt another corporate name which is in compliance with RCW 24.03.046. In the event the reinstatement application so adopts a new corporate name for use in Washington, the application for authority shall be deemed to have been amended to change the corporation's name to the name so adopted for use in Washington, effective as of the effective date of the certificate of reinstatement.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 58. A new section as added to chapter 24.03 RCW to read as follows:

(1) An application processing fee of thirty dollars shall be charged for an application for reinstatement under section 57 of this act.

(2) An application processing fee of ten dollars shall be charged for each amendment or supplement to an application for reinstatement.

(3) The corporation seeking reinstatement shall pay the full amount of all annual corporation fees which would have been assessed for the years of the period of administrative revocation, had the corporation been in active status, and the license fee for the year of reinstatement.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 59. Section 72, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.355 are each repealed.

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