

SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

NINETY NINTH DAY

House Chamber, Olympia, Monday, April 16, 2007

April 14, 2007

The House was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by the Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding). The Clerk called the roll and a quorum was present.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) called upon Representative Moeller to preside.

The flags were escorted to the rostrum by a Sergeant at Arms Color Guard, Pages Danielle Newhouse and Elijah Maxwell. The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) led the Chamber in the Pledge of Allegiance. Prayer was offered by Janet Tanaka, Baha'i Community of Thurston County.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

April 14, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The President has signed:

- SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1009,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1039,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1064,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1084,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1137,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1218,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1338,
- ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1379,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1416,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1430,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1456,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1501,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1656,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1574,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1645,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1666,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1784,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1843,
- ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1858,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1939,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1953,
- ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1968,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2130,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 2152,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 2154,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 2319,
- ENGROSSED HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4204,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4215,

and the same are herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

Mr. Speaker:

The President has signed:

- HOUSE BILL NO. 1054,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1069,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1135,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1247,
- ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1249,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1258,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1341,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1370,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1412,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1431,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1447,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1642,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1670,
- SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1677,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1693,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1747,
- ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1756,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1826,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1831,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1888,
- HOUSE BILL NO. 1994,
- ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2111,
- ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2164,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2286,
- SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2300,
- HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 4016,

and the same are herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

RESOLUTION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2007-4651, By Representatives Hailey, Seaquist, Ross, Lovick, Barlow, VanDeWege, Springer, Kristiansen, Hinkle, Armstrong, Warnick, Rodne, Buri, McCune, Pearson, O'Brien, Roach, Chase, Hasegawa, Haler, Rolfes, Campbell, Morrell, Walsh, Hunter, Sells, Takko, McCoy, Linville, Moeller, Jarrett, Kenney, Kelley, Skinner, Hankins, Hunt, Strow, P. Sullivan, Appleton, Morris, Eddy, Blake, Wallace, Ahern, Bailey, Fromhold and Conway

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Bruce P. Crandall served in the United States Army with distinction, demonstrating courage and heroism on the battlefield in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, On November 14, 1965, the first day of the Battle of LZ X-Ray, then-Major Crandall flew fourteen missions into Landing Zone X-Ray in Vietnam's Ia Drang

Valley under intense enemy fire, evacuating more than seventy wounded soldiers while leading a flight of two helicopters; and

WHEREAS, Major Crandall's bravery in the Battle of LZ X-Ray and his determination to put the lives and safety of wounded soldiers ahead of his own enhanced the moral and fighting spirit of fellow pilots and soldiers; and

WHEREAS, In January 1966, during "Operation Masher," Major Crandall rescued twelve wounded soldiers under intense enemy fire and with only a spot flashlight for guidance; and

WHEREAS, Major Crandall received the Aviation and Space Writers Helicopter Heroism Award for his courage in "Operation Masher"; and

WHEREAS, Major Crandall later served with distinction in his second tour in Vietnam, during which time his helicopter was downed while attempting another rescue, landing him in the hospital for five months due to severe injuries; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Crandall retired from the Army in 1977, was inducted into the Army Aviation Hall of Fame in 2004, and also inducted into the Air Force's Gathering of Eagles in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Crandall was awarded the Medal of Honor in Washington, D.C., on February 26, 2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives officially recognize Lieutenant Colonel Bruce P. Crandall for his heroic service in the defense of the United States of America and for his steadfast commitment to the lives and fighting spirit of his fellow pilots and soldiers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Lieutenant Colonel Crandall.

Representative Hailey moved the adoption of the resolution.

Representatives Hailey and Seaquist spoke in favor of the adoption of the resolution.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4651 was adopted.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

April 14, 2007

SSB 5882 Prime Sponsor, Senate Committee On Ways & Means: Funding the Washington state heritage center. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Sommers, Chairman; Dunshee, Vice Chairman; Alexander, Ranking Minority Member; Bailey, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Anderson; Buri; Cody; Conway; Darneille; Ericks; Fromhold; Grant; Haler; Hinkle; Hunt; Kagi; Kenney; Kessler; Linville;

McDermott; McIntire; Pettigrew; Schual-Berke; Seaquist and P. Sullivan.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Chandler; Dunn; Hunter; Kretz; Morrell; Priest and Walsh.

There being no objection, the bill listed on the day's committee reports sheet under the fifth order of business were placed on the Second Reading calendar.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the Seventh Order of business.

#### THIRD READING

**ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2113, By Representatives Williams, Goodman, Green, Hunt and Simpson**

**Regarding objections by cities, towns, and counties to the issuance of liquor licenses.**

Representative Williams spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 2113, as amended by the Senate.

#### MOTIONS

On motion of Representative Schindler, Representatives Curtis, Dunn, Hinkle and Warnick were excused. On motion of Representative Santos, Representatives Eickmeyer, Hurst, McIntire and Upthegrove were excused.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 2113, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 89, Nays - 1, Absent - 0, Excused - 8.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Van

De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 89.

Voting nay: Representative Chandler - 1.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Dunn, Eickmeyer, Hinkle, Hurst, McIntire, Uptegrove and Warnick - 8.

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2113, as amended by the Senate, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 3, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1418, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the state of Washington to protect the public against the serious health and safety risks that dangerous wild animals pose to the community.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** (1) "Animal control authority" means an entity acting alone or in concert with other local governmental units for enforcement of the animal control laws of the city, county, and state and the shelter and welfare of animals.

(2) "Potentially dangerous wild animal" means one of the following types of animals, whether bred in the wild or in captivity, and any or all hybrids thereof:

- (a) Class mammalia
  - (i) Order carnivora
    - (A) Family felidae, only lions, tigers, captive-bred cougars, jaguars, cheetahs, leopards, snow leopards, and clouded leopards;
    - (B) Family canidae, wolves, excluding wolf-hybrids;
    - (C) Family ursidae, all bears;
    - (D) Family hyaenidae, such as hyenas;
  - (ii) Order perissodactyla, only rhinoceroses;
  - (iii) Order primates, all nonhuman primate species;
  - (iv) Order proboscidae, all elephants species;
- (b) Class reptilia
  - (i) Order squamata
    - (A) Family atractaspidae, all species;
    - (B) Family colubridae, only dispholidus typus;
    - (C) Family elapidae, all species, such as cobras, mambas, kraits, coral snakes, and Australian tiger snakes;
    - (D) Family hydrophiidae, all species, such as sea snakes;
    - (E) Family varanidae, only water monitors and crocodile monitors;
    - (F) Family viperidae, all species, such as rattlesnakes, cottonmouths, bushmasters, puff adders, and gaboon vipers;
  - (ii) Order crocodilia, all species, such as crocodiles, alligators, caimans, and gavials.
- (3) "Person" means any individual, partnership, corporation, organization, trade or professional association, firm, limited liability company, joint venture, association, trust, estate, or any other legal entity, and any officer, member, shareholder, director, employee, agent, or representative thereof.

(4) "Possessor" means any person who owns, possesses, keeps, harbors, brings into the state, or has custody or control of a potentially dangerous wild animal.

(5) "Wildlife sanctuary" means a nonprofit organization, as described in RCW 84.36.800, that cares for animals defined as potentially dangerous and:

- (a) No activity that is not inherent to the animal's nature, natural conduct, or the animal in its natural habitat is conducted;
- (b) No commercial activity involving an animal occurs including, but not limited to, the sale of or trade in animals, animal parts, animal byproducts, or animal offspring, or the sale of photographic opportunities involving an animal, or the use of an animal for any type of entertainment purpose;
- (c) No unescorted public visitations or direct contact between the public and an animal; or
- (d) No breeding of animals occurs in the facility.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply to:

- (a) Institutions authorized by the Washington department of fish and wildlife to hold, possess, and propagate deleterious exotic wildlife pursuant to RCW 77.12.047;
  - (b) Institutions accredited or certified by the American zoo and aquarium association or a facility with a current signed memorandum of participation with an association of zoos and aquariums species survival plan;
  - (c) Duly incorporated nonprofit animal protection organizations, such as humane societies and shelters, housing an animal at the written request of the animal control authority or acting under the authority of this chapter;
  - (d) Animal control authority, law enforcement officers, or county sheriffs acting under the authority of this chapter;
  - (e) Veterinary hospitals or clinics;
  - (f) A holder of a valid wildlife rehabilitation permit issued by the Washington department of fish and wildlife;
  - (g) Any wildlife sanctuary as defined under section 2(5) of this act;
  - (h) A research facility as defined by the animal welfare act, 7 U.S.C.A. 2131, as amended, for the species of animals for which they are registered. This includes but is not limited to universities, colleges, and laboratories holding a valid class R license under the animal welfare act;
  - (i) Circuses, defined as incorporated, class C licensees under the animal welfare act, 7 U.S.C.A. 2131, as amended, that are temporarily in this state, and that offer performances by live animals, clowns, and acrobats for public entertainment;
  - (j) A person temporarily transporting and displaying a potentially dangerous wild animal through the state if the transit time is not more than twenty-one days and the animal is at all times maintained within a confinement sufficient to prevent the animal from escaping;
  - (k) Domesticated animals subject to this title or native wildlife subject to Title 77 RCW;
  - (l) A person displaying animals at a fair approved by the Washington department of agriculture pursuant to chapter 15.76 or 36.37 RCW; and
  - (m) A game farm meeting the requirements of WAC 232-12-027(1).
- (2) This chapter does not require a city or county that does not have an animal control authority to create that office.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** (1) A person shall not own, possess, keep, harbor, bring into the state, or have custody or control of a potentially dangerous wild animal, except as provided in subsection (3) of this section.

(2) A person shall not breed a potentially dangerous wild animal.

(3) A person in legal possession of a potentially dangerous wild animal prior to the effective date of this act and who is the legal possessor of the animal may keep possession of the animal for the remainder of the animal's life. The person must maintain veterinary records, acquisition papers for the animal, if available, or other documents or records that establish that the person possessed the animal prior to the effective date of this act, and present the paperwork to an animal control or law enforcement authority upon request. The person shall have the burden of proving that he or she possessed the animal prior to the effective date of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** (1) The animal control authority or a law enforcement officer may immediately confiscate a potentially dangerous wild animal if:

(a) The animal control authority or law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that the animal was acquired after the effective date of this act in violation of section 4 of this act;

(b) The animal poses a public safety or health risk;

(c) The animal is in poor health and condition as a result of the possessor; or

(d) The animal is being held in contravention of the act.

(2) A potentially dangerous wild animal that is confiscated under this section may be returned to the possessor only if the animal control authority or law enforcement officer establishes that the possessor had possession of the animal prior to the effective date of this act and the return does not pose a public safety or health risk.

(3) The animal control authority or law enforcement officer shall serve notice upon the possessor in person or by regular and certified mail, return receipt requested, notifying the possessor of the confiscation, that the possessor is responsible for payment of reasonable costs for caring and providing for the animal during the confiscation, and that the possessor must meet the requirements of subsection (2) of this section in order for the animal to be returned to the possessor.

(4) If a potentially dangerous wild animal confiscated under this section is not returned to the possessor, the animal control authority or law enforcement officer may release the animal to a facility such as a wildlife sanctuary or a facility exempted pursuant to section 3 of this act. If the animal control authority or law enforcement officer is unable to relocate the animal within a reasonable period of time, it may euthanize the animal.

(5) An animal control authority or law enforcement officer may euthanize a potentially dangerous wild animal under this section only if all known reasonable placement options, including relocation to a wildlife sanctuary, are unavailable.

(6) This section applies to animal confiscations on or after the effective date of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** A city or county may adopt an ordinance governing potentially dangerous wild animals that is more restrictive than this chapter. However, nothing in this chapter requires a city or county to adopt an ordinance to be in compliance with this chapter.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** A person who violates section 4 of this act is liable for a civil penalty of not less than two hundred

dollars and not more than two thousand dollars for each animal with respect to which there is a violation and for each day the violation continues.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 8.** (1) The animal control authority and its staff and agents, local law enforcement agents, and county sheriffs are authorized and empowered to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

(2) If a locality does not have a local animal control authority, the department of fish and wildlife shall enforce the provisions of this chapter.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 9.** If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 10.** Sections 1 through 9 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 16 RCW."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "animals;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "adding a new chapter to Title 16 RCW; and prescribing penalties."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1418 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Lovick spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1418, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1418, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 61, Nays - 31, Absent - 0, Excused - 6.

Voting yea: Representatives Appleton, Barlow, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Conway, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Flannigan, Fromhold, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McDermott, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, O'Brien, Ormsby, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Quall, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Santos, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Sommers, Springer, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P.,

Takko, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 61.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Armstrong, Bailey, Blake, Buri, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, DeBolt, Ericksen, Goodman, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, McDonald, Newhouse, Orcutt, Pearson, Priest, Roach, Ross, Schindler, Skinner, Strow, Sump and Van De Wege - 31.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Dunn, Eickmeyer, Hinkle, Upthegrove and Warnick - 6.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1418, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 5, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2304, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.38 RCW to read as follows:

To promote the stability of Washington's cardiac care delivery system, by July 1, 2008, the department of health shall adopt rules establishing criteria for the issuance of a certificate of need under this chapter for the performance of elective percutaneous coronary interventions at hospitals that do not otherwise provide on-site cardiac surgery.

Prior to initiating rule making, the department shall contract for an independent evidence-based review of the circumstances under which elective percutaneous coronary interventions should be allowed in Washington at hospitals that do not otherwise provide on-site cardiac surgery. The review shall address, at a minimum, factors related to access to care, patient safety, quality outcomes, costs, and the stability of Washington's cardiac care delivery system and of existing cardiac care providers, and ensure that elective coronary intervention volumes at the University of Washington academic medical center are maintained at levels required for training of cardiologists consistent with applicable accreditation requirements. The department shall consider the results of this review, and any associated recommendations, in adopting these rules.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2007, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "services;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter 70.38 RCW; and creating a new section."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL**

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2304 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

**FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED**

Representative Morrell spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2304, as amended by the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2304, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 92, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 6.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 92.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Dunn, Eickmeyer, Hinkle, Upthegrove and Warnick - 6.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2304, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 6, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2352, with the following amendment:

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL**

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2352 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

**FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL  
AS SENATE AMENDED**

Representative Grant spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2352, as amended by the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2352, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 90, Nays - 2, Absent - 0, Excused - 6.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 90.

Voting nay: Representatives Anderson, and Hasegawa - 2.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Dunn, Eickmeyer, Hinkle, Uptegrove and Warnick - 6.

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2352, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

March 31, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2394, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 82.04 RCW to read as follows:

(1) This chapter does not apply to any:

(a) Person performing custom farming services for a farmer, when the person performing the custom farming services is: (i) An eligible farmer; or (ii) at least fifty percent owned by an eligible farmer; or

(b) Person performing farm management services, contract labor services, services provided with respect to animals that are agricultural products, or any combination of these services, for a farmer or for a person performing custom farming services, when the person performing the farm management services, contract labor services, services with respect to animals, or any combination of these services, and the farmer or person performing custom farming services are related.

(2) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section.

(a) "Custom farming services" means the performance of specific farming operations through the use of any farm machinery or equipment, farm implement, or draft animal, together with an operator, when: (i) The specific farming operation consists of activities directly related to the growing, raising, or producing of any agricultural product to be sold or consumed by a farmer; and (ii) the performance of the specific farming operation is for, and under a contract with, or the direction or supervision of, a farmer. "Custom farming services" does not include the custom application of fertilizers, chemicals, or biologicals.

For the purposes of this subsection (2)(a), "specific farming operation" includes specific planting, cultivating, or harvesting activities, or similar specific farming operations. The term does not include veterinary services as defined in RCW 18.92.010; farrier, boarding, training, or appraisal services; artificial insemination or stud services, agricultural consulting services; packing or processing of agricultural products; or pumping or other waste disposal services.

(b) "Eligible farmer" means a person who is eligible for an exemption certificate under RCW 82.08.855 at the time that the custom farming services are rendered, regardless of whether the person has applied for an exemption certificate under RCW 82.08.855.

(c) "Farm management services" means the consultative decisions made for the operations of the farm including, but not limited to, determining which crops to plant, the choice and timing of application of fertilizers and chemicals, the horticultural practices to apply, the marketing of crops and livestock, and the care and feeding of animals.

(d) "Related" means having any of the relationships specifically described in section 267(b) (1), (2), and (4) through (13) of the internal revenue code, as amended or renumbered as of January 1, 2007.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 82.16 RCW to read as follows:

(1) This chapter shall not apply to any person hauling agricultural products or farm machinery or equipment for a farmer or for a person performing custom farming services, when the person providing the hauling and the farmer or person performing custom farming services are related.

(2) The exemption provided by this section shall not apply to the hauling of any substances or articles manufactured from agricultural products. For the purposes of this subsection, "manufactured" has the same meaning as "to manufacture" in RCW 82.04.120.

(3) The definitions in RCW 82.04.213 and section 1 of this act apply to this section.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** This act takes effect August 1, 2007.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** This act expires December 31, 2020."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "services;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter 82.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.16 RCW; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2394 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Clibborn and Jarrett spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2394, as amended by the Senate.

### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2394, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 82, Nays - 10, Absent - 0, Excused - 6.

Voting yea: Representatives Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Takko, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 82.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Buri, Crouse, Ericksen, Hailey, Kretz, Kristiansen, Pearson, Schindler and Sump - 10.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Dunn, Eickmeyer, Hinkle, Upthegrove and Warnick - 6.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2394, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

### SECOND READING

**HOUSE BILL NO. 2395, By Representatives Fromhold, McDonald and Morrell**

**Regarding leasing and development rights on state lands.**

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Fromhold and McDonald spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of House Bill No. 2395.

### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 2395 and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 93, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 5.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 93.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Eickmeyer, Hinkle, Upthegrove and Warnick - 5.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2395, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 2396, By Representatives Fromhold and McDonald**

**Regarding investment of moneys in the permanent common school fund.**

The bill was read the second time.

With the consent of the House, amendment (773) was withdrawn.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Fromhold and McDonald spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of House Bill No. 2396.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 2396 and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 93, Nays - 1, Absent - 0, Excused - 4.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 93.

Voting nay: Representative Hasegawa - 1.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Eickmeyer, Hinkle and Warnick - 4.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2396, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

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

**INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING**

E2SSB 5799 By Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Prentice, Swecker, Berkey, Marr, Kilmer, Clements, Sheldon, Schoesler and Shin)

AN ACT Relating to business and occupation tax rates for certain fuel distributors; reenacting and amending RCW 82.04.260; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

SSB 6168 By Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Berkey, Zarelli, Stevens and Shin)

AN ACT Relating to excise tax relief for aerospace product development businesses; amending RCW 82.08.981, 82.12.981, 82.04.4487, 82.32.545, and 82.04.4463; reenacting and amending RCW 82.04.440; adding a new section to chapter 82.04 RCW; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

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

**SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER**

The Speaker signed:

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1047,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1124,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1181,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1264,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1270,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1291,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1312,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1526,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1555,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1680,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1706,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1789,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1813,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1892,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1897,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 2032,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2056,  
SENATE BILL NO. 5123,  
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5297,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5336,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5445,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5568,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5676,  
SENATE BILL NO. 5773,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5972,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5984,  
SENATE BILL NO. 6014,  
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8212,

**MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

April 16, 2007

Mr. Speaker:



The President has signed:

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1047,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1124,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1181,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1264,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1270,  
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1789,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1813,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1892,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1897,  
HOUSE BILL NO. 2032,  
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2056,

and the same are herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

April 16, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The President has signed:

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5050,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5108,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5193,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5236,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5315,  
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 5401,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5447,  
SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5467,  
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 5498,  
SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5597,  
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5726,  
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5826,  
ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5923,  
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8404,

and the same are herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1041, with the following amendment:

Beginning on page 3, line 19, strike all of section 5 and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 23B.10 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Unless the articles of incorporation (a) specifically prohibit the adoption of a bylaw pursuant to this section, (b) alter the vote specified in RCW 23B.07.280(2), or (c) allow for or do not exclude cumulative voting, a public company may elect in its bylaws to be governed in the election of directors as follows:

(i) Each vote entitled to be cast may be voted for, voted against, or withheld for one or more candidates up to that number of candidates that is equal to the number of directors to be elected but

without cumulating the votes, or a shareholder may indicate an abstention for one or more candidates;

(ii) To be elected, a candidate must have received the number, percentage, or level of votes specified in the bylaws; provided that holders of shares entitled to vote in the election and constituting a quorum are present at the meeting. A candidate who does not receive the number, percentage, or level of votes specified in the bylaws but who was a director at the time of the election shall continue to serve as a director for a term that shall terminate on the date that is the earlier of (A) the date specified in the bylaw, but not longer than ninety days from the date on which the voting results are determined pursuant to RCW 23B.07.300(2), or (B) the date on which an individual is selected by the board of directors to fill the office held by such director, which selection shall be deemed to constitute the filling of a vacancy by the board to which RCW 23B.08.100 applies;

(iii) A bylaw adopted pursuant to this section may provide that votes cast against and/or withheld as to a candidate are to be taken into account in determining whether the number, percentage, or level of votes required for election has been received. Unless the bylaw specifies otherwise, only votes cast are to be taken into account and a ballot marked "withheld" in respect to a share is deemed to be a vote cast. Unless the bylaws specify otherwise, shares otherwise present at the meeting but for which there is an abstention or as to which no authority or direction to vote in the election is given or specified, are not deemed to be votes cast in the election;

(iv) The board of directors may select any qualified individual to fill the office held by a director who did not receive the specified vote for election referenced in (c)(ii) of this subsection; and

(v) Unless the bylaw specifies otherwise, a bylaw adopted pursuant to this subsection (1) shall not apply to an election of directors by a voting group if (A) at the expiration of the time fixed under a provision requiring advance notification of director candidates, or (B) absent such a provision, at a time fixed by the board of directors which is not more than fourteen days before notice is given of the meeting at which the election is to occur, there are more candidates for election by the voting group than the number of directors to be elected, one or more of whom are properly proposed by shareholders. An individual shall not be considered a candidate for purposes of this subsection (1)(c)(v) if the board of directors determines before the notice of meeting is given that such individual's candidacy does not create a bona fide election contest.

(2) A bylaw containing an election to be governed by this section may be repealed or amended:

(a) If originally adopted by the shareholders, only by the shareholders, unless the bylaw otherwise provides; or

(b) If adopted by the board of directors, by the board of directors or the shareholders."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy Secretary

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL**

There being no objection, the House refused to concur in the Senate Amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1041 and asked the Senate to recede therefrom.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 11, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1098, with the following amendment

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 70.95M.115 and 2006 c 231 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Beginning July 1, 2007, a person who is known to be pregnant or who is under three years of age shall not be vaccinated with a mercury-containing vaccine or injected with a mercury-containing product that contains more than 0.5 micrograms of mercury per 0.5 milliliter dose.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, an influenza vaccine may contain up to 1.0 micrograms of mercury per 0.5 milliliter dose.

(3) The secretary of the department of health may, upon the secretary's or local public health officer's declaration of ~~((a public health emergency))~~ an outbreak of vaccine-preventable disease or of a shortage of vaccine that complies with subsection (1) or (2) of this section, suspend the requirements of this section for the duration of the ~~((emergency))~~ outbreak or shortage.

(4) A person who is known to be pregnant or a parent or legal guardian of a child under eighteen years of age shall be informed if the person or child is to be vaccinated or injected with any mercury-containing product that contains more than the mercury limits per dose in subsections (1) and (2) of this section.

(5) All vaccines and products referenced under this section must meet food and drug administration licensing requirements."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "outbreaks;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 70.95M.115."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### POINT OF ORDER

Representative Springer requested a scope & object ruling on the Senate amendment to Substitute House Bill No. 1098.

#### SPEAKER'S RULING

Mr. Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding): "Substitute House Bill 1098 is titled AN ACT relating to the "availability of vaccines during outbreaks." Current law prohibits the vaccination of pregnant women and children under the age of three with vaccines containing mercury above a specific limit, with the exception of influenza vaccines. The bill authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Health to suspend this prohibition during the duration of a declared outbreak of vaccine-preventable disease or a shortage of vaccines.

The Senate amendment adds a provision requiring notice to pregnant women and parents or legal guardians of any child under the age of eighteen before vaccination with products containing mercury above the limit referenced above. The Senate amendment's requirement of notice is not limited to the same group of persons subject to current statutory prohibitions

not is it limited to vaccinations during declared outbreaks or shortages. The Speaker therefore finds the amendment expands the scope and object of the bill.

Representative Springer, your point of order is well taken."

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House refused to concur in the Senate Amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1098 and asked the Senate to recede therefrom.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 9, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1573, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the legislature that increasing academic success and increasing graduation rates be dual goals for the K-12 system. The legislature finds that only seventy-four percent of the class of 2005 graduated on time. Students of color, students living in poverty, students in foster care, students in the juvenile justice system, students who are homeless, students for whom English is not their primary language, and students with disabilities have lower graduation rates than the average. The legislature further finds that students who drop out experience more frequent occurrences of early pregnancy, delinquency, substance abuse, and mental health issues, and have greater need of publicly funded health and social services. The legislature further finds that helping all students be successful in school requires active participation in coordinating services from schools, parents, and other stakeholders and agencies in the local community. The legislature finds that existing resources to vulnerable youth are used more efficiently and effectively when there is significant coordination across local and state entities. The legislature further finds that efficiency and accountability of the K-12 system would be improved by creating a dropout prevention and intervention grant program that implements research-based and emerging best practices and evaluates results.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** Subject to the availability of funds appropriated for this purpose, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall create a grant program and award grants to local partnerships of schools, families, and communities to begin the phase in of a statewide comprehensive dropout prevention, intervention, and retrieval system. This program shall be known as the building bridges program.

(1) For purposes of sections 2 through 7 of this act, a "building bridges program" means a local partnership of schools, families, and communities that provides all of the following programs or activities:

(a) A system that identifies individual students at risk of dropping out from middle through high school based on local predictive data, including state assessment data starting in the fourth grade, and provides timely interventions for such students and for dropouts, including a plan for educational success as already required

by the student learning plan as defined under RCW 28A.655.061. Students identified shall include foster care youth, youth involved in the juvenile justice system, and students receiving special education services under chapter 28A.155 RCW;

(b) Coaches or mentors for students as necessary;

(c) Staff responsible for coordination of community partners that provide a seamless continuum of academic and nonacademic support in schools and communities;

(d) Retrieval or reentry activities; and

(e) Alternative educational programming, including, but not limited to, career and technical education exploratory and preparatory programs and online learning opportunities.

(2) One of the grants awarded under this section shall be for a two-year demonstration project focusing on providing fifth through twelfth grade students with a program that utilizes technology and is integrated with state standards, basic academics, cross-cultural exposures, and age-appropriate preemployment training. The project shall:

(a) Establish programs in two western Washington and one eastern Washington urban areas;

(b) Identify at-risk students in each of the distinct communities and populations and implement strategies to close the achievement gap;

(c) Collect and report data on participant characteristics and outcomes of the project, including the characteristics and outcomes specified under section 3(1)(e) of this act; and

(d) Submit a report to the legislature by December 1, 2009.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** (1) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall:

(a) Identify criteria for grants and evaluate proposals for funding in consultation with the workforce training and education coordinating board;

(b) Develop and monitor requirements for grant recipients to:

(i) Identify students who both fail the Washington assessment of student learning and drop out of school;

(ii) Identify their own strengths and gaps in services provided to youth;

(iii) Set their own local goals for program outcomes;

(iv) Use research-based and emerging best practices that lead to positive outcomes in implementing the building bridges program; and

(v) Coordinate an outreach campaign to bring public and private organizations together and to provide information about the building bridges program to the local community;

(c) In setting the requirements under (b) of this subsection, encourage creativity and provide for flexibility in implementing the local building bridges program;

(d) Identify and disseminate successful practices;

(e) Develop requirements for grant recipients to collect and report data, including, but not limited to:

(i) The number of and demographics of students served including, but not limited to, information regarding a student's race and ethnicity, a student's household income, a student's housing status, whether a student is a foster youth or youth involved in the juvenile justice system, whether a student is disabled, and the primary language spoken at a student's home;

(ii) Washington assessment of student learning scores;

(iii) Dropout rates;

(iv) On-time graduation rates;

(v) Extended graduation rates;

(vi) Credentials obtained;

(vii) Absenteeism rates;

(viii) Truancy rates; and

(ix) Credit retrieval;

(f) Contract with a third party to evaluate the infrastructure and implementation of the partnership including the leveraging of outside resources that relate to the goal of the partnership. The third-party contractor shall also evaluate the performance and effectiveness of the partnerships relative to the type of entity, as identified in section 4 of this act, serving as the lead agency for the partnership; and

(g) Report to the legislature by December 1, 2008.

(2) In performing its duties under this section, the office of the superintendent of public instruction is encouraged to consult with the work group identified in section 7 of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** In awarding the grants under section 2 of this act, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall prioritize schools or districts with dropout rates above the statewide average and shall attempt to award building bridges program grants to different geographic regions of the state. Eligible recipients shall be one of the following entities acting as a lead agency for the local partnership: A school district, a tribal school, an area workforce development council, an educational service district, an accredited institution of higher education, a vocational skills center, a federally recognized tribe, a community organization, or a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation. If the recipient is not a school district, at least one school district must be identified within the partnership. The superintendent of public instruction shall ensure that grants are distributed proportionately between school districts and other recipients. This requirement may be waived if the superintendent of public instruction finds that the quality of the programs or applications from these entities does not warrant the awarding of the grants proportionately.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** To be eligible for a grant under section 2 of this act, grant applicants shall:

(1) Build or demonstrate a commitment to building a broad-based partnership of schools, families, and community members to provide an effective and efficient building bridges program. The partnership shall consider an effective model for school-community partnerships and include local membership from, but not limited to, school districts, tribal schools, secondary career and technical education programs, skill centers that serve the local community, an educational service district, the area workforce development council, accredited institutions of higher education, tribes or other cultural organizations, the parent teacher association, the juvenile court, prosecutors and defenders, the local health department, health care agencies, public transportation agencies, local division representatives of the department of social and health services, businesses, city or county government agencies, civic organizations, and appropriate youth-serving community-based organizations. Interested parents and students shall be actively included whenever possible;

(2) Demonstrate how the grant will enhance any dropout prevention and intervention programs and services already in place in the district;

(3) Provide a twenty-five percent match that may include in-kind resources from within the partnership;

(4) Track and report data required by the grant; and

(5) Describe how the dropout prevention, intervention, and retrieval system will be sustained after initial funding, including roles of each of the partners.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** (1) Educational service districts, in collaboration with area workforce development councils, shall:

(a) Provide technical assistance to local partnerships established under a grant awarded under section 2 of this act in collecting and using performance data; and

(b) At the request of a local partnership established under a grant awarded under section 2 of this act, provide assistance in the development of a functional sustainability plan, including the identification of potential funding sources for future operation.

(2) Local partnerships established under a grant awarded under section 2 of this act may contract with an educational service district, workforce development council, or a private agency for specialized training in such areas as cultural competency, identifying diverse learning styles, and intervention strategies for students at risk of dropping out of school.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** (1) The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall establish a state-level work group that includes K-12 and state agencies that work with youth who have dropped out or are at risk of dropping out of school. The state-level leadership group shall consist of one representative from each of the following agencies and organizations: The workforce training and education coordinating board; career and technical education including skill centers; relevant divisions of the department of social and health services; the juvenile courts; the Washington association of prosecuting attorneys; the Washington state office of public defense; the employment security department; accredited institutions of higher education; the educational service districts; the area workforce development councils; parent and educator associations; the department of health; local school districts; agencies or organizations that provide services to special education students; community organizations serving youth; federally recognized tribes and urban tribal centers; each of the major political caucuses of the senate and house of representatives; and the minority commissions.

(2) To assist and enhance the work of the building bridges programs established in section 5 of this act, the state-level work group shall:

(a) Identify and make recommendations to the legislature for the reduction of fiscal, legal, and regulatory barriers that prevent coordination of program resources across agencies at the state and local level;

(b) Develop and track performance measures and benchmarks for each partner agency or organization across the state including performance measures and benchmarks based on student characteristics and outcomes specified in section 3(1)(e) of this act; and

(c) Identify research-based and emerging best practices regarding prevention, intervention, and retrieval programs.

(3) The work group shall report to the legislature and the governor on an annual basis beginning December 1, 2007, with recommendations for implementing emerging best practices, needed additional resources, and eliminating barriers.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 8.** (1) During the 2007-2009 biennium, school districts that contract with eligible alternative educational service providers to provide education programs, including GED preparation, that generate course credits towards high school graduation, for students who are at risk of dropping out of school, or who have dropped out of school, may continue to use basic education allocations under RCW 28A.150.250 to fund contracts with those providers. For purposes of this section, "eligible alternative educational service providers" includes community and technical

colleges and community-based organizations that meet all state requirements for receiving state K-12 formula allocations.

(2) All school districts with contracts with eligible alternative educational service providers shall provide information to the office of the superintendent of public instruction including, but not limited to: (a) The number of students enrolled in those programs; (b) the amount of weekly instructional hours provided; (c) the location of the instruction program provided; and (d) the number and types of staff providing the instruction in the programs. By December 1, 2008, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall submit a report to the office of financial management and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature that summarizes the information provided by the school districts pursuant to this subsection.

(3) The state-level work group established under section 7 of this act shall examine issues related to school districts' use of basic education allocations under this section including, but not limited to, findings or other relevant communications by the state auditor. The work group shall develop recommendations and submit a report to the appropriate legislative committees by December 1, 2009.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 9.** Sections 2 through 7 of this act are each added to chapter 28A.175 RCW.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 10.** If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2007, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "retrieval;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter 28A.175 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House refused to concur in the Senate Amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1573 and asked the Senate to recede therefrom.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 9, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1088, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 71.36.005 and 1991 c 326 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

The legislature intends to (~~encourage the development of community-based interagency collaborative efforts to plan for and provide mental health services to children in a manner that~~) substantially improve the delivery of children's mental health services in Washington state through the development and implementation of a children's mental health system that:

- (1) Values early identification, intervention, and prevention;
- (2) Coordinates existing categorical children's mental health programs and funding, through efforts that include elimination of duplicative care plans and case management;
- (3) Treats each child in the context of his or her family, and provides services and supports needed to maintain a child with his or her family and community;
- (4) Integrates families into treatment through choice of treatment, participation in treatment, and provision of peer support;
- (5) Focuses on resiliency and recovery;
- (6) Relies to a greater extent on evidence-based practices;
- (7) Is sensitive to the unique cultural circumstances of children of color(=eliminates duplicative case management;) and children in families whose primary language is not English;
- (8) Integrates educational support services that address students' diverse learning styles; and
- (9) To the greatest extent possible, blends categorical funding to offer more service and support options to each child.

**Sec. 2.** RCW 71.36.010 and 1991 c 326 s 12 are each amended to read as follows:

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

(1) "Agency" means a state, tribal, or local governmental entity or a private not-for-profit organization.

(2) "Child" means a person under eighteen years of age, except as expressly provided otherwise in state or federal law.

(3) "Consensus-based" means a program or practice that has general support among treatment providers and experts, based on experience or professional literature, and may have anecdotal or case study support, or that is agreed but not possible to perform studies with random assignment and controlled groups.

(4) "County authority" means the board of county commissioners or county executive.

~~((4))~~ (5) "Department" means the department of social and health services.

~~((5))~~ (6) "Early periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment" means the component of the federal medicaid program established pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1396d(r), as amended.

~~((6))~~ (7) "Evidence-based" means a program or practice that has had multiple site random controlled trials across heterogeneous populations demonstrating that the program or practice is effective for the population.

(8) "Family" means a child's biological parents, adoptive parents, foster parents, guardian, legal custodian authorized pursuant to Title 26 RCW, a relative with whom a child has been placed by the department of social and health services, or a tribe.

(9) "Promising practice" or "emerging best practice" means a practice that presents, based upon preliminary information, potential for becoming a research-based or consensus-based practice.

(10) "Regional support network" means a county authority or group of county authorities or other nonprofit entity that ~~((have))~~ has entered into contracts with the secretary pursuant to chapter 71.24 RCW.

~~((7))~~ (11) "Research-based" means a program or practice that has some research demonstrating effectiveness, but that does not yet meet the standard of evidence-based practices.

(12) "Secretary" means the secretary of social and health services.

(13) "Wraparound process" means a family driven planning process designed to address the needs of children and youth by the formation of a team that empowers families to make key decisions

regarding the care of the child or youth in partnership with professionals and the family's natural community supports. The team produces a community-based and culturally competent intervention plan which identifies the strengths and needs of the child or youth and family and defines goals that the team collaborates on achieving with respect for the unique cultural values of the family. The "wraparound process" shall emphasize principles of persistence and outcome-based measurements of success.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 71.36 RCW to read as follows:

**ELEMENTS OF A CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM.** (1) It is the goal of the legislature that, by 2012, the children's mental health system in Washington state include the following elements:

(a) A continuum of services from early identification, intervention, and prevention through crisis intervention and inpatient treatment, including peer support and parent mentoring services;

(b) Equity in access to services for similarly situated children, including children with co-occurring disorders;

(c) Developmentally appropriate, high quality, and culturally competent services available statewide;

(d) Treatment of each child in the context of his or her family and other persons that are a source of support and stability in his or her life;

(e) A sufficient supply of qualified and culturally competent children's mental health providers;

(f) Use of developmentally appropriate evidence-based, research-based, promising, or consensus-based practices;

(g) Integrated and flexible services to meet the needs of children who, due to mental illness or emotional or behavioral disturbance, are at risk of out-of-home placement or involved with multiple child-serving systems.

(2) The effectiveness of the children's mental health system shall be determined through the use of outcome-based performance measures. The department and the evidence-based practice institute established in section 7 of this act, in consultation with parents, caregivers, youth, regional support networks, mental health services providers, health plans, primary care providers, tribes, and others, shall develop outcome-based performance measures such as:

(a) Decreased emergency room utilization;

(b) Decreased psychiatric hospitalization;

(c) Lessening of symptoms, as measured by commonly used assessment tools;

(d) Decreased out-of-home placement, including residential, group, and foster care, and increased stability of such placements, when necessary;

(e) Decreased runaways from home or residential placements;

(f) Decreased rates of chemical dependency;

(g) Decreased involvement with the juvenile justice system;

(h) Improved school attendance and performance;

(i) Reductions in school or child care suspensions or expulsions;

(j) Reductions in use of prescribed medication where cognitive behavioral therapies are indicated;

(k) Improved rates of high school graduation and employment; and

(l) Decreased use of mental health services upon reaching adulthood for mental disorders other than those that require ongoing treatment to maintain stability.

Performance measure reporting for children's mental health services should be integrated into existing performance measurement

and reporting systems developed and implemented under chapter 71.24 RCW.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. REGIONAL SUPPORT NETWORK SERVICES--CHILDREN'S ACCESS TO CARE STANDARDS AND BENEFIT PACKAGE.** As part of the system transformation initiative, the department of social and health services shall undertake the following activities related specifically to children's mental health services:

(1) The development of recommended revisions to the access to care standards for children. The recommended revisions shall reflect the policies and principles set out in RCW 71.36.005, 71.36.010, and section 3 of this act, and recognize that early identification, intervention and prevention services, and brief intervention services may be provided outside of the regional support network system. Revised access to care standards shall assess a child's need for mental health services based upon the child's diagnosis and its negative impact upon his or her persistent impaired functioning in family, school, or the community, and should not solely condition the receipt of services upon a determination that a child is engaged in high risk behavior or is in imminent need of hospitalization or out-of-home placement. Assessment and diagnosis for children under five years of age shall be determined using a nationally accepted assessment tool designed specifically for children of that age. The recommendations shall also address whether amendments to RCW 71.24.025 (26) and (27) and 71.24.035(5) are necessary to implement revised access to care standards;

(2) Development of a revised children's mental health benefit package. The department shall ensure that services included in the children's mental health benefit package reflect the policies and principles included in RCW 71.36.005 and section 3 of this act, to the extent allowable under medicaid, Title XIX of the federal social security act. Strong consideration shall be given to developmentally appropriate evidence-based, research-based, promising, or consensus-based practices, family-based interventions, the use of natural and peer supports, and community support services. This effort shall include a review of other states' efforts to fund family-centered children's mental health services through their medicaid programs;

(3) Consistent with the timeline developed for the system transformation initiative, recommendations for revisions to the children's access to care standards and the children's mental health services benefits package shall be presented to the legislature by January 1, 2009.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW to read as follows:

**IMPROVING MEDICATION MANAGEMENT AND CARE COORDINATION.** (1)(a) The department, in consultation with the evidence-based practice institute established in section 7 of this act, shall develop and implement policies to improve prescribing practices for treatment of emotional or behavioral disturbances in children, improve the quality of children's mental health therapy through increased use of evidence-based, research-based, promising, or consensus-based practices and reduced variation in practice, improve communication and care coordination between primary care and mental health providers, and prioritize care in the family home or care which integrates the family where out-of-home placement is required.

(b) The department shall identify those children with emotional or behavioral disturbances who may be at high risk due to off-label use of prescription medication, use of multiple medications, high

medication dosage, or lack of coordination among multiple prescribing providers, and establish one or more mechanisms to evaluate the appropriateness of the medication these children are using, including but not limited to obtaining second opinions from experts in child psychiatry.

(c) The department shall review the psychotropic medications of all children under five and establish one or more mechanisms to evaluate the appropriateness of the medication these children are using, including but not limited to obtaining second opinions from experts in child psychiatry.

(d) The department shall track prescriptive practices with respect to psychotropic medications with the goal of reducing the use of medication.

(e) The department shall encourage the use of cognitive behavioral therapies and other treatments which are empirically supported or evidence-based, in addition to or in the place of prescription medication where appropriate.

(2) The department shall convene a representative group of regional support networks, community mental health centers, and managed health care systems contracting with the department under RCW 74.09.522 to:

(a) Establish mechanisms and develop contract language that ensures increased coordination of and access to medicaid mental health benefits available to children and their families, including ensuring access to services that are identified as a result of a developmental screen administered through early periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment;

(b) Define managed health care system and regional support network contractual performance standards that track access to and utilization of services; and

(c) Set standards for reducing the number of children that are prescribed antipsychotic drugs and receive no outpatient mental health services with their medication.

(3) The department shall report on progress and any findings under this section to the legislature by January 1, 2009.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 71.36 RCW to read as follows:

**MEDICAID ELIGIBLE CHILDREN IN TEMPORARY JUVENILE DETENTION.** The department shall explore the feasibility of obtaining a medicaid state plan amendment to allow the state to receive medicaid matching funds for health services provided to medicaid enrolled youth who are temporarily placed in a juvenile detention facility. Temporary placement shall be defined as until adjudication or up to sixty continuous days, whichever occurs first.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** A new section is added to chapter 71.24 RCW to read as follows:

**CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS.** (1) The department shall provide flexibility in provider contracting to regional support networks for children's mental health services. Beginning with 2007-2009 biennium contracts, regional support network contracts shall authorize regional support networks to allow and encourage licensed community mental health centers to subcontract with individual licensed mental health professionals when necessary to meet the need for an adequate, culturally competent, and qualified children's mental health provider network.

(2) To the extent that funds are specifically appropriated for this purpose or that nonstate funds are available, a children's mental health evidence-based practice institute shall be established at the University of Washington division of public behavioral health and justice policy. The institute shall closely collaborate with entities

currently engaged in evaluating and promoting the use of evidence-based, research-based, promising, or consensus-based practices in children's mental health treatment, including but not limited to the University of Washington department of psychiatry and behavioral sciences, children's hospital and regional medical center, the University of Washington school of nursing, the University of Washington school of social work, and the Washington state institute for public policy. To ensure that funds appropriated are used to the greatest extent possible for their intended purpose, the University of Washington's indirect costs of administration shall not exceed ten percent of appropriated funding. The institute shall:

(a) Improve the implementation of evidence-based, research-based, promising, or consensus-based practices by providing sustained and effective training and consultation to licensed children's mental health providers and child-serving agencies who are implementing evidence-based or promising practices for treatment of children's emotional or behavioral disorders, or who are interested in adapting these practices to better serve ethnically or culturally diverse children. Efforts under this subsection should include a focus on appropriate oversight of implementation of evidence-based practices to ensure fidelity to these practices and thereby achieve positive outcomes;

(b) Continue the successful implementation of the "partnerships for success" model by consulting with communities so they may select, implement, and continually evaluate the success of evidence-based practices that are relevant to the needs of children, youth, and families in their community;

(c) Partner with youth, family members, family advocacy, and culturally competent provider organizations to develop a series of information sessions, literature, and on-line resources for families to become informed and engaged in evidence-based, research-based, promising, or consensus-based practices;

(d) Participate in the identification of outcome-based performance measures under section 3(2) of this act and partner in a statewide effort to implement statewide outcomes monitoring and quality improvement processes; and

(e) Serve as a statewide resource to the department and other entities on child and adolescent evidence-based, research-based, promising, or consensus-based practices for children's mental health treatment, maintaining a working knowledge through ongoing review of academic and professional literature, and knowledge of other evidence-based practice implementation efforts in Washington and other states.

(3) To the extent that funds are specifically appropriated for this purpose, the department in collaboration with the evidence-based practice institute shall implement a pilot program to support primary care providers in the assessment and provision of appropriate diagnosis and treatment of children with mental and behavioral health disorders and track outcomes of this program. The program shall be designed to promote more accurate diagnoses and treatment through timely case consultation between primary care providers and child psychiatric specialists, and focused educational learning collaboratives with primary care providers.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The department shall adopt rules and policies providing that when youth who were enrolled in a medical assistance program immediately prior to confinement are released from confinement, their medical assistance coverage will be fully reinstated on the day of their release, subject to any expedited review of their continued

eligibility for medical assistance coverage that is required under federal or state law.

(2) The department, in collaboration with county juvenile court administrators and regional support networks, shall establish procedures for coordination between department field offices, juvenile rehabilitation administration institutions, and county juvenile courts that result in prompt reinstatement of eligibility and speedy eligibility determinations for youth who are likely to be eligible for medical assistance services upon release from confinement. Procedures developed under this subsection must address:

(a) Mechanisms for receiving medical assistance services' applications on behalf of confined youth in anticipation of their release from confinement;

(b) Expedited review of applications filed by or on behalf of confined youth and, to the extent practicable, completion of the review before the youth is released; and

(c) Mechanisms for providing medical assistance services' identity cards to youth eligible for medical assistance services immediately upon their release from confinement.

(3) For purposes of this section, "confined" or "confinement" means detained in a facility operated by or under contract with the department of social and health services, juvenile rehabilitation administration, or detained in a juvenile detention facility operated under chapter 13.04 RCW.

(4) The department shall adopt standardized statewide screening and application practices and forms designed to facilitate the application of a confined youth who is likely to be eligible for a medical assistance program.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 9.** Educational service district boards may partner with regional support networks to respond to a request for proposal for operation of a wraparound model site under this act and, if selected, may contract for the provision of services to coordinate care and facilitate the delivery of services and other supports under a wraparound model.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 10.** WRAPAROUND MODEL OF INTEGRATED CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES DELIVERY. To the extent funds are specifically appropriated for this purpose, the department of social and health services shall contract for implementation of a wraparound model of integrated children's mental health services delivery in up to three counties in Washington state.

(1) Funding provided may be expended for: Costs associated with a request for proposal and contracting process; administrative costs associated with successful bidders' operation of the wraparound model; the evaluation under subsection (5) of this section; and funding for services needed by children enrolled in wraparound model sites that are not otherwise covered under existing state programs. The services provided through the wraparound model sites shall include, but not be limited to, services covered under the medicaid program. The department shall maximize the use of medicaid and other existing state-funded programs as a funding source. However, state funds provided may be used to develop a broader service package to meet needs identified in a child's care plan. Amounts provided shall supplement, and not supplant, state, local, or other funding for services that a child being served through a wraparound site would otherwise be eligible to receive.

(2) The wraparound model sites shall serve children with serious emotional or behavioral disturbances who are at high risk of residential or correctional placement or psychiatric hospitalization, and who have been referred for services from the department, a

county juvenile court, a tribal court, a school, or a licensed mental health provider or agency.

(3) Through a request for proposal process, the department shall contract, with educational service districts, regional support networks, or entities licensed to provide mental health services to children with serious emotional or behavioral disturbances, to operate the wraparound model sites. The contractor shall provide care coordination and facilitate the delivery of services and other supports to families using a strength-based, highly individualized wraparound process. The request for proposal shall require that the contractor provide evidence of commitments from at least the following entities to participate in wraparound care plan development and service provision when appropriate: Regional support networks, community mental health agencies, schools, the department of social and health services children's administration, juvenile courts, the department of social and health services juvenile rehabilitation administration, and managed health care systems contracting with the department under RCW 74.09.522.

(4) Contracts for operation of the wraparound model sites shall be executed on or before April 1, 2008, with enrollment and service delivery beginning on or before July 1, 2008.

(5) The evidence-based practice institute established in section 7 of this act shall evaluate the wraparound model sites, measuring outcomes for children served. Outcomes measured shall include, but are not limited to: Decreased out-of-home placement, including residential, group, and foster care, and increased stability of such placements, school attendance, school performance, recidivism, emergency room utilization, involvement with the juvenile justice system, and decreased hospitalization.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 11.** A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW to read as follows:

(1) To the extent that funds are specifically appropriated for this purpose the department shall revise its medicaid healthy options managed care and fee-for-service program standards under medicaid, Title XIX of the federal social security act to improve access to mental health services for children who do not meet the regional support network access to care standards. Effective July 1, 2008, the program standards shall be revised to allow outpatient therapy services to be provided by licensed mental health professionals, as defined in RCW 71.34.020, and up to twenty outpatient therapy hours per calendar year, including family therapy visits integral to a child's treatment.

(2) This section expires July 1, 2010.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 12.** The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:

(1) RCW 71.36.020 (Plan for early periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment services) and 2003 c 281 s 4 & 1991 c 326 s 13; and

(2) RCW 71.36.030 (Children's mental health services delivery system--Local planning efforts) and 1991 c 326 s 14.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 13.** Captions used in this act are not part of the law.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 14.** If specific funding for the purposes of sections 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, and 11 of this act, referencing the section by section number and by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2007, each section not referenced is null and void."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "services;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 71.36.005 and 71.36.010; adding new sections to chapter 71.36 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 74.09 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 71.24 RCW; creating new sections; repealing RCW 71.36.020 and 71.36.030; and providing an expiration date."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

Representative Kagi moved that the House not concur in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1088 and ask the Senate to recede therefrom.

Representative Haler moved that the House concur in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1088 and advance the bill to final passage as amended by the Senate.

Representative Haler spoke in favor of the motion to concur in the Senate amendment.

Representative Kagi spoke against the motion to concur in the Senate amendment.

### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the motion to concur in the Senate amendment to Second Substitute House Bill No. 1088 and the motion failed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 32, Nays - 63, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Armstrong, Bailey, Buri, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, DeBolt, Dunn, Ericksen, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Jarrett, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, McDonald, Newhouse, Orcutt, Pearson, Priest, Roach, Rodne, Ross, Schindler, Skinner, Strow, Sump and Walsh - 32.

Voting nay: Representatives Appleton, Barlow, Blake, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Conway, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McDermott, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, O'Brien, Ormsby, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Quall, Roberts, Rolfes, Santos, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Sommers, Springer, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 63.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

The House refused to concur in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1088 and asked the Senate to recede therefrom.



**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 10, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1052, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that the legislative youth advisory council provides a unique opportunity for middle and high school students to be actively involved in government. Council members not only learn about, but exercise, the core values and democratic principles of our state and nation, along with the rights and responsibilities of citizenship and democratic civic involvement. As such, they are engaged in authentic practice of the essential academic learning requirements in civics. In the short time since its creation, the legislative youth advisory council has studied, debated, and begun to formulate positions and recommendations on such important topics as education reform, school finance, public school learning environments, health and fitness education, and standardized testing. The legislature continues to stress the importance of civics education and support the type of civic involvement by students exemplified by the legislative youth advisory council.

**Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.300.801 and 2005 c 355 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The legislative youth advisory council is established to examine issues of importance to youth, including but not limited to education, employment, strategies to increase youth participation in state and municipal government, safe environments for youth, substance abuse, emotional and physical health, foster care, poverty, homelessness, and youth access to services on a statewide and municipal basis.

(2) The council consists of twenty-two members as provided in this subsection who, at the time of appointment, are aged fourteen to eighteen. The council shall select a chair from among its members.

~~((a) Five members shall be selected by each of the two major caucuses in the senate, appointed by the secretary of the senate.~~

~~— (b) Five members shall be selected by each of the two major caucuses in the house of representatives, appointed by the chief clerk of the house of representatives.~~

~~— (c) The governor shall appoint two members.)~~

(3) Except for initial members, members shall serve two-year terms, and if eligible, may be reappointed for subsequent two-year terms. One-half of the initial members shall be appointed to one-year terms, and these appointments shall be made in such a way as to preserve overall representation on the committee.

(4)(a) By July 2, 2007, and annually thereafter, students may apply to be considered for participation in the program by completing an online application form and submitting the application to the legislative youth advisory council. The council may develop selection criteria and an application review process. The council shall recommend candidates whose names will be submitted to the office of the lieutenant governor for final selection. The office of the lieutenant governor shall notify all applicants of the final selections.

(b) The office of the lieutenant governor shall make the application available on the lieutenant governor's web site.

(5) The council shall have the following duties:

(a) Advising the legislature on proposed and pending legislation, including state budget expenditures and policy matters relating to youth;

(b) Advising the standing committees of the legislature and study commissions, committees, and task forces regarding issues relating to youth;

(c) Conducting periodic seminars for its members regarding leadership, government, and the legislature; ~~((and))~~

(d) Accepting grants and donations from public and private sources to support the activities of the council; and

(e) Reporting annually by December 1st to the legislature on its activities, including proposed legislation that implements recommendations of the council.

~~((5)) (6) In carrying out its duties under ((subsection (4) of)) this section, the council may meet at least three times but not more than six times per year ~~(, including not more than two public hearings on issues of importance to youth)~~. The council shall consider conducting at least some of the meetings via the K-20 telecommunications network. Councils are encouraged to invite local state legislators to participate in the meetings. The council is encouraged to poll other students in order to get a broad perspective on the various issues. The council is encouraged to use technology to conduct the polling, including the council's web site, if the council has a web site.~~

~~((6)) (7) Members shall be reimbursed as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.~~

~~((7)) (8) The office of superintendent of public instruction shall provide administration, coordination, and facilitation assistance to the council. The senate and house of representatives may provide policy and fiscal briefings and assistance with drafting proposed legislation. The senate and the house of representatives shall each develop internal policies relating to staff assistance provided to the council. Such policies may include applicable internal personnel and practices guidelines, resource use and expense reimbursement guidelines, and applicable ethics mandates. Provision of funds, resources, and staff, as well as the assignment and direction of staff, remains at all times within the sole discretion of the chamber making the provision.~~

~~((8)) (9) The office of the lieutenant governor, the office of superintendent of public instruction, the legislature, any agency of the legislature, and any official or employee of such office or agency are immune from liability for any injury that is incurred by or caused by a member of the youth advisory council and that occurs while the member of the council is performing duties of the council or is otherwise engaged in activities or receiving services for which reimbursement is allowed under subsection ~~((6)) (7) of this section. The immunity provided by this subsection does not apply to an injury intentionally caused by the act or omission of an employee or official of the superintendent of public instruction or the legislature or any agency of the legislature.~~~~

~~((9)) (10) This section expires June 30, ~~((2007)) 2009.~~~~

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The civic education travel grant program is created to provide travel grants to students participating in statewide, regional, national, or international civic education competitions or events.

(2) The superintendent of public instruction shall allocate grants under the program established in this section from private donations or with amounts appropriated for this specific purpose. The grants shall be awarded on a competitive basis.

(3) The superintendent of public instruction may contract with independent review panelists and establish an advisory panel to evaluate and make recommendations to the superintendent of public instruction based on grant applications.

(4) The superintendent of public instruction shall select grant recipients from student applicants that meet all of the following criteria:

(a) Students must be residents of the state of Washington;

(b) Students must use the grants to fund travel to civic education-based competitions or events;

(c) Students must be participants in the civic education competition or event; and

(d) Students must be under the age of twenty-one and not yet have received their high school diploma.

(5) Students are encouraged to seek matching funds, in-kind contributions, or other sources of support to supplement their travel expenses.

(6) Applicants must include in the grant application the following:

(a) A brief description of the civic education competition or event;

(b) A brief description of what the applicant expects to learn from the competition or event;

(c) The total travel costs and how much the applicant is requesting from the program; and

(d) The total amount of matching funds the applicant has already secured or expects to secure.

(7) The superintendent of public instruction may adopt other criteria as appropriate for the review of grant proposals. In reviewing student applications for funding, scoring shall be based on an evaluation of all application materials that may be requested of applicants. The superintendent of public instruction shall consider the overall breadth and variety of the field of applicants to determine the projects that would best fulfill the program's goal. Final grant awards may be for the full amount of the grant request or for a portion of the grant request.

(8) The office of the superintendent of public instruction may accept gifts, grants, or endowments from public or private sources for the program and may spend any gifts, grants, or endowments or income from public or private sources according to their terms.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "council;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 28A.300.801; adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW; creating a new section; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1052 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Hunt spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1052, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1052, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 90, Nays - 5, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 90.

Voting nay: Representatives Chandler, Crouse, Dunn, Kristiansen and Schindler - 5.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1052, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 13, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1065, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

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(d) ~~Accepting grants and donations from public and private sources to support the activities of the council; and~~

(e) Reporting annually by December 1st to the legislature on its activities, including proposed legislation that implements recommendations of the council.

~~((5)) (6) In carrying out its duties under ((subsection (4) of)) this section, the council may meet at least three times but not more than six times per year (~~including not more than two public hearings on issues of importance to youth~~). The council shall consider conducting at least some of the meetings via the K-20 telecommunications network. Councils are encouraged to invite local state legislators to participate in the meetings. The council is~~

encouraged to poll other students in order to get a broad perspective on the various issues. The council is encouraged to use technology to conduct the polling, including the council's web site, if the council has a web site.

~~((6)) (7) Members shall be reimbursed as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.~~

~~((7)) (8) The office of superintendent of public instruction shall provide administration, coordination, and facilitation assistance to the council. The senate and house of representatives may provide policy and fiscal briefings and assistance with drafting proposed legislation. The senate and the house of representatives shall each develop internal policies relating to staff assistance provided to the council. Such policies may include applicable internal personnel and practices guidelines, resource use and expense reimbursement guidelines, and applicable ethics mandates. Provision of funds, resources, and staff, as well as the assignment and direction of staff, remains at all times within the sole discretion of the chamber making the provision.~~

~~((8)) (9) The office of the lieutenant governor, the office of superintendent of public instruction, the legislature, any agency of the legislature, and any official or employee of such office or agency are immune from liability for any injury that is incurred by or caused by a member of the youth advisory council and that occurs while the member of the council is performing duties of the council or is otherwise engaged in activities or receiving services for which reimbursement is allowed under subsection ((6)) (7) of this section. The immunity provided by this subsection does not apply to an injury intentionally caused by the act or omission of an employee or official of the superintendent of public instruction or the legislature or any agency of the legislature.~~

~~((9)) (10) This section expires June 30, ((2007)) 2009.~~

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The civic education travel grant program is created to provide travel grants to students participating in statewide, regional, national, or international civic education competitions or events.

(2) The superintendent of public instruction shall allocate grants under the program established in this section from private donations or with amounts appropriated for this specific purpose. The grants shall be awarded on a competitive basis.

(3) The superintendent of public instruction may contract with independent review panelists and establish an advisory panel to evaluate and make recommendations to the superintendent of public instruction based on grant applications.

(4) The superintendent of public instruction shall select grant recipients from student applicants that meet all of the following criteria:

(a) Students must be residents of the state of Washington;

(b) Students must use the grants to fund travel to civic education-based competitions or events;

(c) Students must be participants in the civic education competition or event; and

(d) Students must be under the age of twenty-one and not yet have received their high school diploma.

(5) Students are encouraged to seek matching funds, in-kind contributions, or other sources of support to supplement their travel expenses.

(6) Applicants must include in the grant application the following:

(a) A brief description of the civic education competition or event;

(b) A brief description of what the applicant expects to learn from the competition or event;

(c) The total travel costs and how much the applicant is requesting from the program; and

(d) The total amount of matching funds the applicant has already secured or expects to secure.

(7) The superintendent of public instruction may adopt other criteria as appropriate for the review of grant proposals. In reviewing student applications for funding, scoring shall be based on an evaluation of all application materials that may be requested of applicants. The superintendent of public instruction shall consider the overall breadth and variety of the field of applicants to determine the projects that would best fulfill the program's goal. Final grant awards may be for the full amount of the grant request or for a portion of the grant request.

(8) The office of the superintendent of public instruction may accept gifts, grants, or endowments from public or private sources for the program and may spend any gifts, grants, or endowments or income from public or private sources according to their terms.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "council;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 28A.300.801; adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW; creating a new section; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1065 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Kelley spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1065, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1065, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy,

Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1065, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 9, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1077, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 42.56.430 and 2005 c 274 s 423 are each amended to read as follows:

The following information relating to fish and wildlife is exempt from disclosure under this chapter:

(1) Commercial fishing catch data from logbooks required to be provided to the department of fish and wildlife under RCW 77.12.047, when the data identifies specific catch location, timing, or methodology and the release of which would result in unfair competitive disadvantage to the commercial fisher providing the catch data, however, this information may be released to government agencies concerned with the management of fish and wildlife resources;

(2) Sensitive ~~fish and wildlife data ((obtained))~~. Sensitive fish and wildlife data may be released to the following entities and their agents for fish, wildlife, land management purposes, or scientific research needs: Government agencies, public utilities, and accredited colleges and universities. Sensitive fish and wildlife data may be released to tribal governments. Sensitive fish and wildlife data may also be released to the owner, lessee, or right-of-way or easement holder of the private land to which the data pertains. The release of sensitive fish and wildlife data may be subject to a confidentiality agreement, except upon release of sensitive fish and wildlife data to the owner, lessee, or right-of-way or easement holder of private land who initially provided the data. Sensitive fish and wildlife data does not include data related to reports of predatory wildlife as specified in section 2 of this act. Sensitive fish and wildlife data must meet at least one of the following criteria of this subsection as applied by the department of fish and wildlife (~~however, sensitive wildlife data may be released to government agencies concerned with the management of fish and wildlife resources. As used in this subsection, sensitive wildlife data includes~~):

(a) The nesting sites or specific locations of endangered species designated under RCW 77.12.020, or threatened or sensitive species classified by rule of the department of fish and wildlife;

(b) Radio frequencies used in, or locational data generated by, telemetry studies; or

(c) Other location data that could compromise the viability of a specific fish or wildlife population, and where at least one of the following criteria are met:

(i) The species has a known commercial or black market value;

(ii) There is a history of malicious take of that species and the species behavior or ecology renders it especially vulnerable; ~~((or))~~

(iii) There is a known demand to visit, take, or disturb ~~((and the species behavior or ecology renders it especially vulnerable))~~ the species; or

(iv) The species has an extremely limited distribution and concentration; and

(3) The personally identifying information of persons who acquire recreational licenses under RCW 77.32.010 or commercial licenses under chapter 77.65 or 77.70 RCW, except name, address of contact used by the department, and type of license, endorsement, or tag; however, the department of fish and wildlife may disclose personally identifying information to:

(a) Government agencies concerned with the management of fish and wildlife resources;

(b) The department of social and health services, child support division, and to the department of licensing in order to implement RCW 77.32.014 and 46.20.291; and

(c) Law enforcement agencies for the purpose of firearm possession enforcement under RCW 9.41.040.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 77.12 RCW to read as follows:

The department shall post on its internet web site all reported predatory wildlife interactions, including reported human safety confrontations or sightings as well as the known details of reported depredations by predatory wildlife on humans, pets, or livestock, within ten days of receiving the report. The posted material must include, but is not limited to, the location and time, the known details, and a running summary of such reported interactions by identified specie and interaction type within each affected county. For the purposes of this section and RCW 42.56.430, "predatory wildlife" means grizzly bears, wolves, and cougars."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "data;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 42.56.430; and adding a new section to chapter 77.12 RCW."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL**

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1077 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

**FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL  
AS SENATE AMENDED**

Representative Blake spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1077, as amended by the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1077, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 94, Nays - 1, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 94.

Voting nay: Representative Morris - 1.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1077, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 9, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1096, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

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

(1) The economic trends of globalization and technological change are increasing the demand for higher and differently skilled workers than in the past;

(2) Increasing Washington's economic competitiveness requires increasing the supply of skilled workers in the state;

(3) Improving the labor market competitiveness of all Washington residents requires that all residents have access to postsecondary education; and

(4) Community and technical college workforce training programs and Washington state apprenticeship and training council-approved apprenticeship programs provide effective and efficient

pathways for people to enter high wage, high skill careers while also meeting the needs of the economy.

### PART 1 OPPORTUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 101.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.50 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The college board shall develop and implement a workforce education program known as the opportunity grant program to provide financial and other assistance for students enrolled at qualified institutions of higher education in opportunity grant-eligible programs of study as described in section 201 of this act. Students enrolled in the opportunity grant program are eligible for:

(a) Funding for tuition and mandatory fees at the public community and technical college rate, prorated if the credit load is less than full time, paid directly to the educational institution; and

(b) An additional one thousand dollars per academic year for books, tools, and supplies, prorated if the credit load is less than full time.

(2) Funding under subsection (1)(a) and (b) of this section is limited to a maximum forty-five credits or the equivalent in an opportunity grant-eligible program of study, including required related courses. No student may receive opportunity grant funding for more than forty-five credits or for more than three years from initial receipt of grant funds in one or a combination of programs.

(3) Grants awarded under this section are subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 102.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.50 RCW to read as follows:

(1) To be eligible for participation in the opportunity grant program established in section 101 of this act, a student must:

(a) Be a Washington resident student as defined in RCW 28B.15.012 enrolled in an opportunity grant-eligible program of study;

(b) Have a family income that is at or below two hundred percent of the federal poverty level using the most current guidelines available from the United States department of health and human services, and be determined to have financial need based on the free application for federal student aid; and

(c) Meet such additional selection criteria as the college board shall establish in order to operate the program within appropriated funding levels.

(2) Upon enrolling, the student must provide evidence of commitment to complete the program. The student must make satisfactory progress and maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average for continued eligibility. If a student's cumulative grade point average falls below 2.0, the student may petition the institution of higher education of attendance. The qualified institution of higher education has the authority to establish a probationary period until such time as the student's grade point average reaches required standards.

(3) Subject to funds appropriated for this specific purpose, public qualified institutions of higher education shall receive an enhancement of one thousand five hundred dollars for each full-time equivalent student enrolled in the opportunity grant program whose income is below two hundred percent of the federal poverty level. The funds shall be used for individualized support services which may include, but are not limited to, college and career advising, tutoring, emergency child care, and emergency transportation. The qualified institution of higher education is expected to help students

access all financial resources and support services available to them through alternative sources.

(4) The college board shall be accountable for student retention and completion of opportunity grant-eligible programs of study. It shall set annual performance measures and targets and monitor the performance at all qualified institutions of higher education. The college board must reduce funding at institutions of higher education that do not meet targets for two consecutive years, based on criteria developed by the college board.

(5) The college board and higher education coordinating board shall work together to ensure that students participating in the opportunity grant program are informed of all other state and federal financial aid to which they may be entitled while receiving an opportunity grant.

(6) The college board and higher education coordinating board shall document the amount of opportunity grant assistance and the types and amounts of other sources of financial aid received by participating students. Annually, they shall produce a summary of the data.

(7) The college board shall:

(a) Begin developing the program no later than August 1, 2007, with student enrollment to begin no later than January 14, 2008; and

(b) Submit a progress report to the legislature by December 1, 2008.

(8) The college board may, in implementing the opportunity grant program, accept, use, and expend or dispose of contributions of money, services, and property. All such moneys received by the college board for the program must be deposited in an account at a depository approved by the state treasurer. Only the college board or a duly authorized representative thereof may authorize expenditures from this account. In order to maintain an effective expenditure and revenue control, the account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required to permit expenditure of moneys in the account.

### PART 2 OPPORTUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 201.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.50 RCW to read as follows:

The college board, in partnership with business, labor, and the workforce training and education coordinating board, shall:

(1) Identify job specific training programs offered by qualified postsecondary institutions that lead to a credential, certificate, or degree in high demand occupations, which are occupations where data show that employer demand for workers exceeds the supply of qualified job applicants throughout the state or in a specific region, and where training capacity is underutilized;

(2) Gain recognition of the credentials, certificates, and degrees by Washington's employers and labor organizations. The college board shall designate these recognized credentials, certificates, and degrees as "opportunity grant-eligible programs of study"; and

(3) Market the credentials, certificates, and degrees to potential students, businesses, and apprenticeship programs as a way for individuals to advance in their careers and to better meet the needs of industry.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 202.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.50 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Community and technical colleges shall partner with local workforce development councils to develop the opportunity partnership program. The opportunity partnership program may be

newly developed or part of an existing program, and shall provide mentoring to students participating in the opportunity grant program. The program must develop criteria and identify opportunity grant students who would benefit by having a mentor. Each participating student shall be matched with a business or labor mentor employed in the field in which the student is interested. The mentor shall help the student explore careers and employment options through any combination of tours, informational interviews, job shadowing, and internships.

(2) Subject to funds appropriated for this specific purpose, the workforce training and education coordinating board shall create the opportunity partnership program. The board, in partnership with business, labor, and the college board, shall determine the criteria for the distribution of funds.

(3) The board may, in implementing this section, accept, use, and dispose of contributions of money, services, and property. All moneys received by the board for the purposes of this section must be deposited in a depository approved by the state treasurer. Only the board or a duly authorized representative thereof may authorize expenditures from this account. In order to maintain an effective expenditure and revenue control, the account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required to permit expenditure of moneys in the account.

### PART 3 MISCELLANEOUS

**Sec. 301.** RCW 28B.50.030 and 2005 c 258 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:

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

(1) "System" shall mean the state system of community and technical colleges, which shall be a system of higher education.

(2) "Board" shall mean the work force training and education coordinating board.

(3) "College board" shall mean the state board for community and technical colleges created by this chapter.

(4) "Director" shall mean the administrative director for the state system of community and technical colleges.

(5) "District" shall mean any one of the community and technical college districts created by this chapter.

(6) "Board of trustees" shall mean the local community and technical college board of trustees established for each college district within the state.

(7) "Occupational education" shall mean that education or training that will prepare a student for employment that does not require a baccalaureate degree, and education and training leading to an applied baccalaureate degree.

(8) "K-12 system" shall mean the public school program including kindergarten through the twelfth grade.

(9) "Common school board" shall mean a public school district board of directors.

(10) "Community college" shall include those higher education institutions that conduct education programs under RCW 28B.50.020.

(11) "Technical college" shall include those higher education institutions with the sole mission of conducting occupational education, basic skills, literacy programs, and offering on short notice, when appropriate, programs that meet specific industry needs. The programs of technical colleges shall include, but not be limited to, continuous enrollment, competency-based instruction, industry-experienced faculty, curriculum integrating vocational and basic

skills education, and curriculum approved by representatives of employers and labor. For purposes of this chapter, technical colleges shall include Lake Washington Vocational-Technical Institute, Renton Vocational-Technical Institute, Bates Vocational-Technical Institute, Clover Park Vocational Institute, and Bellingham Vocational-Technical Institute.

(12) "Adult education" shall mean all education or instruction, including academic, vocational education or training, basic skills and literacy training, and "occupational education" provided by public educational institutions, including common school districts for persons who are eighteen years of age and over or who hold a high school diploma or certificate. However, "adult education" shall not include academic education or instruction for persons under twenty-one years of age who do not hold a high school degree or diploma and who are attending a public high school for the sole purpose of obtaining a high school diploma or certificate, nor shall "adult education" include education or instruction provided by any four year public institution of higher education.

(13) "Dislocated forest product worker" shall mean a forest products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business' services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.

(14) "Forest products worker" shall mean a worker in the forest products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security department, but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(3).

(15) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a finfish products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.

(16) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the finfish industry affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security department, but shall include workers employed in the industries involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting of finfish including buying and processing finfish. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these definitions.

(17) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:

(a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, that meets three of the five criteria set forth in subsection (18) of this section;

(b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five criteria as set forth in subsection (18) of this section; or

(c) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, that is located in a metropolitan county that meets three of the five criteria set forth in subsection (18) of this section.

(18) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

(a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state average;

(b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or above the state average;

(c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of one hundred positions or more;

(d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses of one hundred positions or more; and

(e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by the employment security department for the most recent year for which data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code delivery area of which any part is ten miles or more from an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.

(19) "Applied baccalaureate degree" means a baccalaureate degree awarded by a college under RCW 28B.50.810 for successful completion of a program of study that is:

(a) Specifically designed for individuals who hold an associate of applied science degree, or its equivalent, in order to maximize application of their technical course credits toward the baccalaureate degree; and

(b) Based on a curriculum that incorporates both theoretical and applied knowledge and skills in a specific technical field.

(20) "Qualified institutions of higher education" means:

(a) Washington public community and technical colleges;

(b) Private career schools that are members of an accrediting association recognized by rule of the higher education coordinating board for the purposes of chapter 28B.92 RCW; and

(c) Washington state apprenticeship and training council-approved apprenticeship programs.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 302.** Part headings used in this act are not any part of the law."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "programs;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 28B.50.030; adding new sections to chapter 28B.50 RCW; and creating new sections."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL

NO. 1096 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Kenney and Anderson spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1096, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1096, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 94, Nays - 1, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 94.

Voting nay: Representative Dunn - 1.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1096, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1099, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Close supervision" means that a supervising dentist whose patient is being treated has personally diagnosed the condition to be treated and has personally authorized the procedures to be performed. The supervising dentist is continuously on-site and physically present



in the treatment facility while the procedures are performed by the assistive personnel and capable of responding immediately in the event of an emergency. The term does not require a supervising dentist to be physically present in the operatory.

(2) "Commission" means the Washington state dental quality assurance commission created in chapter 18.32 RCW.

(3) "Dental assistant" means a person who is registered by the commission to provide supportive services to a licensed dentist to the extent provided in this chapter and under the close supervision of a dentist.

(4) "Dentist" means an individual who holds a license to practice dentistry under chapter 18.32 RCW.

(5) "Department" means the department of health.

(6) "Expanded function dental auxiliary" means a person who is licensed by the commission to provide supportive services to a licensed dentist to the extent provided in this chapter and under the specified level of supervision of a dentist.

(7) "General supervision" means that a supervising dentist has examined and diagnosed the patient and provided subsequent instructions to be performed by the assistive personnel, but does not require that the dentist be physically present in the treatment facility.

(8) "Secretary" means the secretary of health.

(9) "Supervising dentist" means a dentist licensed under chapter 18.32 RCW that is responsible for providing the appropriate level of supervision for dental assistants and expanded function dental auxiliaries.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** (1) No person may practice or represent himself or herself as a registered dental assistant by use of any title or description without being registered by the commission as having met the standards established for registration under this chapter unless he or she is exempt under section 11 of this act.

(2) No person may practice or represent himself or herself as a licensed expanded function dental auxiliary by use of any title or description without being licensed by the commission under this chapter unless he or she is exempt under section 11 of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** The commission shall issue a registration to practice as a dental assistant to any applicant who pays any applicable fees, as established by the secretary in accordance with RCW 43.70.110 and 43.70.250, and submits, on forms provided by the secretary, the applicant's name, address, and other information as determined by the secretary.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** (1) The commission shall issue a license to practice as an expanded function dental auxiliary to any applicant who:

(a) Pays any applicable fees as established by the secretary in accordance with RCW 43.70.110 and 43.70.250;

(b) Submits, on forms provided by the secretary, the applicant's name, address, and other applicable information as determined by the secretary; and

(c) Demonstrates that the following requirements have been met:

(i) Successful completion of a dental assisting education program approved by the commission. The program may be an approved on-line education program;

(ii) Successful completion of an expanded function dental auxiliary education program approved by the commission; and

(iii) Successful passage of both a written examination and a clinical examination in restorations approved by the commission.

(2)(a) An applicant that holds a limited license to practice dental hygiene under chapter 18.29 RCW is considered to have met the

dental assisting education program requirements of subsection (1)(c)(i) of this section.

(b) An applicant that holds a full license to practice dental hygiene under chapter 18.29 RCW is considered to have met the requirements of subsection (1)(c) of this section upon demonstrating the successful completion of training in taking final impressions as approved by the commission.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** (1) The commission shall adopt rules relating to the scope of dental assisting services related to patient care and laboratory duties that may be performed by dental assistants. All dental services performed by dental assistants must be performed under the close supervision of a supervising dentist as the dentist may allow.

(2) In addition to any other limitations established by the commission, dental assistants may not perform the following procedures:

(a) Any scaling procedure;

(b) Any oral prophylaxis, except coronal polishing;

(c) Administration of any general or local anesthetic, including intravenous sedation;

(d) Any removal of or addition to the hard or soft tissue of the oral cavity;

(e) Any diagnosis of or prescription for treatment of disease, pain, deformity, deficiency, injury, or physical condition of the human teeth, jaw, or adjacent structures; and

(f) The taking of any impressions of the teeth or jaw or the relationships of the teeth or jaws, for the purpose of fabricating any intra-oral restoration, appliance, or prosthesis.

(3) A dentist may not assign a dental assistant to perform duties until the dental assistant has demonstrated skills necessary to perform competently all assigned duties and responsibilities.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** (1) The commission shall adopt rules relating to the scope of expanded function dental auxiliary services related to patient care and laboratory duties that may be performed by expanded function dental auxiliaries.

(2) The scope of expanded function dental auxiliary services that the commission identifies in subsection (1) of this section includes:

(a) In addition to the dental assisting services that a dental assistant may perform under the close supervision of a supervising dentist, the performance of the following services under the general supervision of a supervising dentist as the dentist may allow:

(i) Performing coronal polishing;

(ii) Giving fluoride treatments;

(iii) Applying sealants;

(iv) Placing dental x-ray film and exposing and developing the films;

(v) Giving patient oral health instruction; and

(b) Notwithstanding any prohibitions in section 5 of this act, the performance of the following services under the close supervision of a supervising dentist as the dentist may allow:

(i) Placing and carving direct restorations; and

(ii) Taking final impressions.

(3) A dentist may not assign an expanded function dental auxiliary to perform services until the expanded function dental auxiliary has demonstrated skills necessary to perform competently all assigned duties and responsibilities.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** A supervising dentist is responsible for:

(1) Maintaining the appropriate level of supervision for dental assistants and expanded function dental auxiliaries; and

(2) Ensuring that the dental assistants and expanded function dental auxiliaries that the dentist supervises are able to competently perform the tasks that they are assigned.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 8.** The commission shall issue an initial credential or renewal credential to an applicant who has met the requirements for a credential or deny an initial credential or renewal credential based upon failure to meet the requirements for a credential or unprofessional conduct or impairment governed by chapter 18.130 RCW.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 9.** An applicant holding a license in another state may be licensed as an expanded function dental auxiliary in this state without examination if the commission determines that the other state's licensing standards are substantially equivalent to the standards in this state.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 10.** (1) The commission may approve a written examination prepared or administered by a private testing agency or association of licensing agencies for use by an applicant in meeting the licensing requirements under section 4 of this act. The requirement that the examination be written does not exclude the use of computerized test administration.

(2) The commission, upon consultation with the dental hygiene examining committee, may approve a clinical examination prepared or administered by a private testing agency or association of licensing agencies for use by an applicant in meeting the licensing requirements under section 4 of this act.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 11.** Nothing in this chapter may be construed to prohibit or restrict:

(1) The practice of a dental assistant in the discharge of official duties by dental assistants in the United States federal services on federal reservations, including but not limited to the armed services, coast guard, public health service, veterans' bureau, or bureau of Indian affairs; or

(2) Expanded function dental auxiliary education and training programs approved by the commission and the practice as an expanded function dental auxiliary by students in expanded function dental auxiliary education and training programs approved by the commission, when acting under the direction and supervision of persons licensed under chapter 18.29 or 18.32 RCW.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 12.** The commission may adopt rules under chapter 34.05 RCW as required to implement this chapter.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 13.** Chapter 18.130 RCW governs unregistered or unlicensed practice, the issuance and denial of credentials, and the discipline of those credentialed under this chapter. The commission is the disciplining authority under this chapter.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 14.** A new section is added to chapter 18.29 RCW to read as follows:

A person who holds a license under this chapter and who has met the requirements under section 4 of this act and has been issued a license to practice as an expanded function dental auxiliary may perform those expanded function dental auxiliary services identified in section 6 of this act under the specified supervision of a supervising dentist.

**Sec. 15.** RCW 18.32.030 and 2003 c 282 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

The following practices, acts, and operations are excepted from the operation of the provisions of this chapter:

(1) The rendering of dental relief in emergency cases in the practice of his or her profession by a physician or surgeon, licensed as such and registered under the laws of this state, unless the physician or surgeon undertakes to or does reproduce lost parts of the human teeth in the mouth or to restore or to replace in the human mouth lost or missing teeth;

(2) The practice of dentistry in the discharge of official duties by dentists in the United States federal services on federal reservations, including but not limited to the armed services, coast guard, public health service, veterans' bureau, or bureau of Indian affairs;

(3) Dental schools or colleges approved under RCW 18.32.040, and the practice of dentistry by students in accredited dental schools or colleges approved by the commission, when acting under the direction and supervision of Washington state-licensed dental school faculty;

(4) The practice of dentistry by licensed dentists of other states or countries while appearing as clinicians at meetings of the Washington state dental association, or component parts thereof, or at meetings sanctioned by them, or other groups approved by the commission;

(5) The use of roentgen and other rays for making radiographs or similar records of dental or oral tissues, under the supervision of a licensed dentist or physician;

(6) The making, repairing, altering, or supplying of artificial restorations, substitutions, appliances, or materials for the correction of disease, loss, deformity, malposition, dislocation, fracture, injury to the jaws, teeth, lips, gums, cheeks, palate, or associated tissues or parts; providing the same are made, repaired, altered, or supplied pursuant to the written instructions and order of a licensed dentist which may be accompanied by casts, models, or impressions furnished by the dentist, and the prescriptions shall be retained and filed for a period of not less than three years and shall be available to and subject to the examination of the secretary or the secretary's authorized representatives;

(7) The removal of deposits and stains from the surfaces of the teeth, the application of topical preventative or prophylactic agents, and the polishing and smoothing of restorations, when performed or prescribed by a dental hygienist licensed under the laws of this state;

(8) A qualified and licensed physician and surgeon or osteopathic physician and surgeon extracting teeth or performing oral surgery pursuant to the scope of practice under chapter 18.71 or 18.57 RCW;

(9) The performing of dental operations or services by ((persons not licensed under this chapter)) registered dental assistants and licensed expanded function dental auxiliaries holding a credential issued under chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 1 through 13 and 18 of this act) when performed under the supervision of a licensed dentist, or by other persons not licensed under this chapter if the person is licensed pursuant to chapter 18.29, 18.57, 18.71, or 18.79 RCW as it applies to registered nurses and advanced registered nurse practitioners, each while acting within the scope of the person's permitted practice under the person's license: PROVIDED HOWEVER, That such ((nonlicensed)) persons shall in no event perform the following dental operations or services unless permitted to be performed by the person under this chapter or chapters 18.29, 18.57, 18.71, ((and)) 18.79 as it applies to registered nurses and advanced registered nurse practitioners, and 18.-- (sections 1 through

13 and 18 of this act RCW ((as it applies to registered nurses and advanced registered nurse practitioners)):

- (a) Any removal of or addition to the hard or soft tissue of the oral cavity;
- (b) Any diagnosis of or prescription for treatment of disease, pain, deformity, deficiency, injury, or physical condition of the human teeth or jaws, or adjacent structure;
- (c) Any administration of general or injected local anaesthetic of any nature in connection with a dental operation, including intravenous sedation;
- (d) Any oral prophylaxis;
- (e) The taking of any impressions of the teeth or jaw or the relationships of the teeth or jaws, for the purpose of fabricating any intra-oral restoration, appliance, or prosthesis.

**Sec. 16.** RCW 18.32.0351 and 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 204 are each amended to read as follows:

The Washington state dental quality assurance commission is established, consisting of ((fourteen)) sixteen members each appointed by the governor to a four-year term. No member may serve more than two consecutive full terms. In appointing the initial members of the commission, it is the intent of the legislature that, to the extent possible, members of the previous boards and committees regulating these professions be appointed to the commission. Members of the commission hold office until their successors are appointed. The governor may appoint members of the initial commission to staggered terms of from one to four years. Thereafter, all members shall be appointed to full four-year terms. Twelve members of the commission must be dentists, two members must be expanded function dental auxiliaries licensed under chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 1 through 13 and 18 of this act), and two members must be public members.

**Sec. 17.** RCW 18.130.040 and 2004 c 38 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) This chapter applies only to the secretary and the boards and commissions having jurisdiction in relation to the professions licensed under the chapters specified in this section. This chapter does not apply to any business or profession not licensed under the chapters specified in this section.

(2)(a) The secretary has authority under this chapter in relation to the following professions:

- (i) Dispensing opticians licensed and designated apprentices under chapter 18.34 RCW;
- (ii) Naturopaths licensed under chapter 18.36A RCW;
- (iii) Midwives licensed under chapter 18.50 RCW;
- (iv) Ocularists licensed under chapter 18.55 RCW;
- (v) Massage operators and businesses licensed under chapter 18.108 RCW;
- (vi) Dental hygienists licensed under chapter 18.29 RCW;
- (vii) Acupuncturists licensed under chapter 18.06 RCW;
- (viii) Radiologic technologists certified and X-ray technicians registered under chapter 18.84 RCW;
- (ix) Respiratory care practitioners licensed under chapter 18.89 RCW;
- (x) Persons registered under chapter 18.19 RCW;
- (xi) Persons licensed as mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, and social workers under chapter 18.225 RCW;
- (xii) Persons registered as nursing pool operators under chapter 18.52C RCW;
- (xiii) Nursing assistants registered or certified under chapter 18.88A RCW;

(xiv) Health care assistants certified under chapter 18.135 RCW;

(xv) Dietitians and nutritionists certified under chapter 18.138 RCW;

(xvi) Chemical dependency professionals certified under chapter 18.205 RCW;

(xvii) Sex offender treatment providers and certified affiliate sex offender treatment providers certified under chapter 18.155 RCW;

(xviii) Persons licensed and certified under chapter 18.73 RCW or RCW 18.71.205;

(xix) Denturists licensed under chapter 18.30 RCW;

(xx) Orthotists and prosthetists licensed under chapter 18.200 RCW;

(xxi) Surgical technologists registered under chapter 18.215 RCW; and

(xxii) Recreational therapists.

(b) The boards and commissions having authority under this chapter are as follows:

(i) The podiatric medical board as established in chapter 18.22 RCW;

(ii) The chiropractic quality assurance commission as established in chapter 18.25 RCW;

(iii) The dental quality assurance commission as established in chapter 18.32 RCW governing licenses issued under chapter 18.32 RCW and licenses and registrations issued under chapter 18.-- RCW (sections 1 through 13 and 18 of this act);

(iv) The board of hearing and speech as established in chapter 18.35 RCW;

(v) The board of examiners for nursing home administrators as established in chapter 18.52 RCW;

(vi) The optometry board as established in chapter 18.54 RCW governing licenses issued under chapter 18.53 RCW;

(vii) The board of osteopathic medicine and surgery as established in chapter 18.57 RCW governing licenses issued under chapters 18.57 and 18.57A RCW;

(viii) The board of pharmacy as established in chapter 18.64 RCW governing licenses issued under chapters 18.64 and 18.64A RCW;

(ix) The medical quality assurance commission as established in chapter 18.71 RCW governing licenses and registrations issued under chapters 18.71 and 18.71A RCW;

(x) The board of physical therapy as established in chapter 18.74 RCW;

(xi) The board of occupational therapy practice as established in chapter 18.59 RCW;

(xii) The nursing care quality assurance commission as established in chapter 18.79 RCW governing licenses and registrations issued under that chapter;

(xiii) The examining board of psychology and its disciplinary committee as established in chapter 18.83 RCW; and

(xiv) The veterinary board of governors as established in chapter 18.92 RCW.

(3) In addition to the authority to discipline license holders, the disciplining authority has the authority to grant or deny licenses based on the conditions and criteria established in this chapter and the chapters specified in subsection (2) of this section. This chapter also governs any investigation, hearing, or proceeding relating to denial of licensure or issuance of a license conditioned on the applicant's compliance with an order entered pursuant to RCW 18.130.160 by the disciplining authority.

(4) All disciplining authorities shall adopt procedures to ensure substantially consistent application of this chapter, the Uniform

Disciplinary Act, among the disciplining authorities listed in subsection (2) of this section.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 18.** By November 15, 2012, the department, in consultation with the commission and the dental hygiene examining committee, shall conduct a review of the effectiveness of the creation of the dental assistant and expanded function dental auxiliary professions as related to:

- (1) Increasing professional standards in dental practices;
- (2) Increasing efficiency in dental practices and community health clinics;
- (3) Promoting career ladders in the dental professions; and
- (4) Recommendations for expanding or contracting the practice of dental assistants and expanded function dental auxiliaries.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 19.** Sections 1 through 13 and 18 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 18 RCW.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 20.** Section 16 of this act takes effect July 1, 2009.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 21.** (1) The provisions of this act apply to registered dental assistants effective July 1, 2008.

(2) The provisions of this act apply to expanded function dental auxiliaries effective December 1, 2008.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 22.** The secretary of health and the Washington state dental quality assurance commission may take the necessary steps to ensure that this act is implemented on its effective date."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "professionals;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 18.32.030, 18.32.0351, and 18.130.040; adding a new section to chapter 18.29 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 18 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an effective date."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1099 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Cody spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1099, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1099, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfs, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1099, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 11, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1106, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that each year health care-associated infections affect two million Americans. These infections result in the unnecessary death of ninety thousand patients and costs the health care system 4.5 billion dollars. Hospitals should be implementing evidence-based measures to reduce hospital-acquired infections. The legislature further finds the public should have access to data on outcome measures regarding hospital-acquired infections. Data reporting should be consistent with national hospital reporting standards.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(a) "Health care-associated infection" means a localized or systemic condition that results from adverse reaction to the presence of an infectious agent or its toxins and that was not present or incubating at the time of admission to the hospital.

(b) "Hospital" means a health care facility licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW.

(2)(a) A hospital shall collect data related to health care-associated infections as required under this subsection (2) on the following:

(i) Beginning July 1, 2008, central line-associated bloodstream infection in the intensive care unit;

(ii) Beginning January 1, 2009, ventilator-associated pneumonia; and

(iii) Beginning January 1, 2010, surgical site infection for the following procedures:

(A) Deep sternal wound for cardiac surgery, including coronary artery bypass graft;

(B) Total hip and knee replacement surgery; and

(C) Hysterectomy, abdominal and vaginal.

(b) Until required otherwise under (c) of this subsection, a hospital must routinely collect and submit the data required to be collected under (a) of this subsection to the national healthcare safety network of the United States centers for disease control and prevention in accordance with national healthcare safety network definitions, methods, requirements, and procedures.

(c)(i) With respect to any of the health care-associated infection measures for which reporting is required under (a) of this subsection, the department must, by rule, require hospitals to collect and submit the data to the centers for medicare and medicaid services according to the definitions, methods, requirements, and procedures of the hospital compare program, or its successor, instead of to the national healthcare safety network, if the department determines that:

(A) The measure is available for reporting under the hospital compare program, or its successor, under substantially the same definition; and

(B) Reporting under this subsection (2)(c) will provide substantially the same information to the public.

(ii) If the department determines that reporting of a measure must be conducted under this subsection (2)(c), the department must adopt rules to implement such reporting. The department's rules must require reporting to the centers for medicare and medicaid services as soon as practicable, but not more than one hundred twenty days, after the centers for medicare and medicaid services allow hospitals to report the respective measure to the hospital compare program, or its successor. However, if the centers for medicare and medicaid services allow infection rates to be reported using the centers for disease control and prevention's national healthcare safety network, the department's rules must require reporting that reduces the burden of data reporting and minimizes changes that hospitals must make to accommodate requirements for reporting.

(d) Data collection and submission required under this subsection (2) must be overseen by a qualified individual with the appropriate level of skill and knowledge to oversee data collection and submission.

(e)(i) A hospital must release to the department, or grant the department access to, its hospital-specific information contained in the reports submitted under this subsection (2), as requested by the department.

(ii) The hospital reports obtained by the department under this subsection (2), and any of the information contained in them, are not subject to discovery by subpoena or admissible as evidence in a civil proceeding, and are not subject to public disclosure as provided in RCW 42.56.360.

(3) The department shall:

(a) Provide oversight of the health care-associated infection reporting program established in this section;

(b) By January 1, 2011, submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature based on the recommendations of the advisory committee established in subsection (5) of this section for additional reporting requirements related to health care-associated infections, considering the methodologies and practices of the United

States centers for disease control and prevention, the centers for medicare and medicaid services, the joint commission, the national quality forum, the institute for healthcare improvement, and other relevant organizations;

(c) Delete, by rule, the reporting of categories that the department determines are no longer necessary to protect public health and safety;

(d) By December 1, 2009, and by each December 1st thereafter, prepare and publish a report on the department's web site that compares the health care-associated infection rates at individual hospitals in the state using the data reported in the previous calendar year pursuant to subsection (2) of this section. The department may update the reports quarterly. In developing a methodology for the report and determining its contents, the department shall consider the recommendations of the advisory committee established in subsection (5) of this section. The report is subject to the following:

(i) The report must disclose data in a format that does not release health information about any individual patient; and

(ii) The report must not include data if the department determines that a data set is too small or possesses other characteristics that make it otherwise unrepresentative of a hospital's particular ability to achieve a specific outcome; and

(e) Evaluate, on a regular basis, the quality and accuracy of health care-associated infection reporting required under subsection (2) of this section and the data collection, analysis, and reporting methodologies.

(4) The department may respond to requests for data and other information from the data required to be reported under subsection (2) of this section, at the requestor's expense, for special studies and analysis consistent with requirements for confidentiality of patient records.

(5)(a) The department shall establish an advisory committee which may include members representing infection control professionals and epidemiologists, licensed health care providers, nursing staff, organizations that represent health care providers and facilities, health maintenance organizations, health care payers and consumers, and the department. The advisory committee shall make recommendations to assist the department in carrying out its responsibilities under this section, including making recommendations on allowing a hospital to review and verify data to be released in the report and on excluding from the report selected data from certified critical access hospitals.

(b) In developing its recommendations, the advisory committee shall consider methodologies and practices related to health care-associated infections of the United States centers for disease control and prevention, the centers for medicare and medicaid services, the joint commission, the national quality forum, the institute for healthcare improvement, and other relevant organizations.

(6) The department shall adopt rules as necessary to carry out its responsibilities under this section.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 70.41.200 and 2005 c 291 s 3 and 2005 c 33 s 7 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) Every hospital shall maintain a coordinated quality improvement program for the improvement of the quality of health care services rendered to patients and the identification and prevention of medical malpractice. The program shall include at least the following:

(a) The establishment of a quality improvement committee with the responsibility to review the services rendered in the hospital, both retrospectively and prospectively, in order to improve the quality of medical care of patients and to prevent medical malpractice. The

committee shall oversee and coordinate the quality improvement and medical malpractice prevention program and shall ensure that information gathered pursuant to the program is used to review and to revise hospital policies and procedures;

(b) A medical staff privileges sanction procedure through which credentials, physical and mental capacity, and competence in delivering health care services are periodically reviewed as part of an evaluation of staff privileges;

(c) The periodic review of the credentials, physical and mental capacity, and competence in delivering health care services of all persons who are employed or associated with the hospital;

(d) A procedure for the prompt resolution of grievances by patients or their representatives related to accidents, injuries, treatment, and other events that may result in claims of medical malpractice;

(e) The maintenance and continuous collection of information concerning the hospital's experience with negative health care outcomes and incidents injurious to patients including health care-associated infections as defined in section 2 of this act, patient grievances, professional liability premiums, settlements, awards, costs incurred by the hospital for patient injury prevention, and safety improvement activities;

(f) The maintenance of relevant and appropriate information gathered pursuant to (a) through (e) of this subsection concerning individual physicians within the physician's personnel or credential file maintained by the hospital;

(g) Education programs dealing with quality improvement, patient safety, medication errors, injury prevention, infection control, staff responsibility to report professional misconduct, the legal aspects of patient care, improved communication with patients, and causes of malpractice claims for staff personnel engaged in patient care activities; and

(h) Policies to ensure compliance with the reporting requirements of this section.

(2) Any person who, in substantial good faith, provides information to further the purposes of the quality improvement and medical malpractice prevention program or who, in substantial good faith, participates on the quality improvement committee shall not be subject to an action for civil damages or other relief as a result of such activity. Any person or entity participating in a coordinated quality improvement program that, in substantial good faith, shares information or documents with one or more other programs, committees, or boards under subsection (8) of this section is not subject to an action for civil damages or other relief as a result of the activity. For the purposes of this section, sharing information is presumed to be in substantial good faith. However, the presumption may be rebutted upon a showing of clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that the information shared was knowingly false or deliberately misleading.

(3) Information and documents, including complaints and incident reports, created specifically for, and collected and maintained by, a quality improvement committee are not subject to review or disclosure, except as provided in this section, or discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil action, and no person who was in attendance at a meeting of such committee or who participated in the creation, collection, or maintenance of information or documents specifically for the committee shall be permitted or required to testify in any civil action as to the content of such proceedings or the documents and information prepared specifically for the committee. This subsection does not preclude: (a) In any civil action, the discovery of the identity of persons involved in the medical care that is the basis of the civil action whose involvement

was independent of any quality improvement activity; (b) in any civil action, the testimony of any person concerning the facts which form the basis for the institution of such proceedings of which the person had personal knowledge acquired independently of such proceedings; (c) in any civil action by a health care provider regarding the restriction or revocation of that individual's clinical or staff privileges, introduction into evidence information collected and maintained by quality improvement committees regarding such health care provider; (d) in any civil action, disclosure of the fact that staff privileges were terminated or restricted, including the specific restrictions imposed, if any and the reasons for the restrictions; or (e) in any civil action, discovery and introduction into evidence of the patient's medical records required by regulation of the department of health to be made regarding the care and treatment received.

(4) Each quality improvement committee shall, on at least a semiannual basis, report to the governing board of the hospital in which the committee is located. The report shall review the quality improvement activities conducted by the committee, and any actions taken as a result of those activities.

(5) The department of health shall adopt such rules as are deemed appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this section.

(6) The medical quality assurance commission or the board of osteopathic medicine and surgery, as appropriate, may review and audit the records of committee decisions in which a physician's privileges are terminated or restricted. Each hospital shall produce and make accessible to the commission or board the appropriate records and otherwise facilitate the review and audit. Information so gained shall not be subject to the discovery process and confidentiality shall be respected as required by subsection (3) of this section. Failure of a hospital to comply with this subsection is punishable by a civil penalty not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars.

(7) The department, the joint commission on accreditation of health care organizations, and any other accrediting organization may review and audit the records of a quality improvement committee or peer review committee in connection with their inspection and review of hospitals. Information so obtained shall not be subject to the discovery process, and confidentiality shall be respected as required by subsection (3) of this section. Each hospital shall produce and make accessible to the department the appropriate records and otherwise facilitate the review and audit.

(8) A coordinated quality improvement program may share information and documents, including complaints and incident reports, created specifically for, and collected and maintained by, a quality improvement committee or a peer review committee under RCW 4.24.250 with one or more other coordinated quality improvement programs maintained in accordance with this section or RCW 43.70.510, a quality assurance committee maintained in accordance with RCW 18.20.390 or 74.42.640, or a peer review committee under RCW 4.24.250, for the improvement of the quality of health care services rendered to patients and the identification and prevention of medical malpractice. The privacy protections of chapter 70.02 RCW and the federal health insurance portability and accountability act of 1996 and its implementing regulations apply to the sharing of individually identifiable patient information held by a coordinated quality improvement program. Any rules necessary to implement this section shall meet the requirements of applicable federal and state privacy laws. Information and documents disclosed by one coordinated quality improvement program to another coordinated quality improvement program or a peer review committee under RCW 4.24.250 and any information and documents created or maintained as a result of the sharing of information and documents shall not be subject to the discovery process and

confidentiality shall be respected as required by subsection (3) of this section, RCW 18.20.390 (6) and (8), 74.42.640 (7) and (9), and 4.24.250.

(9) A hospital that operates a nursing home as defined in RCW 18.51.010 may conduct quality improvement activities for both the hospital and the nursing home through a quality improvement committee under this section, and such activities shall be subject to the provisions of subsections (2) through (8) of this section.

(10) Violation of this section shall not be considered negligence per se.

**Sec. 4.** RCW 42.56.360 and 2006 c 209 s 9 and 2006 c 8 s 112 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) The following health care information is exempt from disclosure under this chapter:

(a) Information obtained by the board of pharmacy as provided in RCW 69.45.090;

(b) Information obtained by the board of pharmacy or the department of health and its representatives as provided in RCW 69.41.044, 69.41.280, and 18.64.420;

(c) Information and documents created specifically for, and collected and maintained by a quality improvement committee under RCW 43.70.510 or 70.41.200, or by a peer review committee under RCW 4.24.250, or by a quality assurance committee pursuant to RCW 74.42.640 or 18.20.390, or by a hospital, as defined in section 2 of this act, for reporting of health care-associated infections under section 2 of this act, and notifications or reports of adverse events or incidents made under RCW 70.56.020 or 70.56.040, regardless of which agency is in possession of the information and documents;

(d)(i) Proprietary financial and commercial information that the submitting entity, with review by the department of health, specifically identifies at the time it is submitted and that is provided to or obtained by the department of health in connection with an application for, or the supervision of, an antitrust exemption sought by the submitting entity under RCW 43.72.310;

(ii) If a request for such information is received, the submitting entity must be notified of the request. Within ten business days of receipt of the notice, the submitting entity shall provide a written statement of the continuing need for confidentiality, which shall be provided to the requester. Upon receipt of such notice, the department of health shall continue to treat information designated under this subsection (1)(d) as exempt from disclosure;

(iii) If the requester initiates an action to compel disclosure under this chapter, the submitting entity must be joined as a party to demonstrate the continuing need for confidentiality;

(e) Records of the entity obtained in an action under RCW 18.71.300 through 18.71.340;

(f) Except for published statistical compilations and reports relating to the infant mortality review studies that do not identify individual cases and sources of information, any records or documents obtained, prepared, or maintained by the local health department for the purposes of an infant mortality review conducted by the department of health under RCW 70.05.170; and

(g) Complaints filed under chapter 18.130 RCW after July 27, 1997, to the extent provided in RCW 18.130.095(1).

(2) Chapter 70.02 RCW applies to public inspection and copying of health care information of patients.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW to read as follows:

The hospital infection control grant account is created in the custody of the state treasury. All receipts from gifts, grants, bequests,

or other funds from public or private sources to support its activities must be deposited into the account. Expenditures from the account may be used only for awarding hospital infection control grants to hospitals and public agencies for establishing and maintaining hospital infection control and surveillance programs, for providing support for such programs, and for the administrative costs associated with the grant program. Only the secretary or the secretary's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** A stakeholder group shall be convened by the department of health to review available data regarding existing infection control protocols at ambulatory surgical facilities. Based on its review of the data, the stakeholder group must make a recommendation to the department no later than December 15, 2008, regarding whether these facilities should be included within the coverage of this act. The department must report the stakeholder group recommendation to the appropriate committees of the legislature by January 1, 2009.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2007, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "facilities;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "reenacting and amending RCW 70.41.200 and 42.56.360; adding new sections to chapter 43.70 RCW; and creating new sections."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1106 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Campbell spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1106, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1106, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 93, Nays - 2, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell,

Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 93.

Voting nay: Representatives Chandler and Dunn - 2.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1106, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 13, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1256, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.215 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Minimum licensing requirements under this chapter shall include a prohibition on the use of window blinds or other window coverings with pull cords or inner cords capable of forming a loop and posing a risk of strangulation to young children. Window blinds and other coverings that have been manufactured or properly retrofitted in a manner that eliminates the formation of loops posing a risk of strangulation are not prohibited under this section.

(2) When developing and periodically reviewing minimum licensing requirements related to safety of the premises, the director shall consult and give serious consideration to publications of the United States consumer product safety commission.

(3) The department may provide information as available regarding reduced cost or no-cost options for retrofitting or replacing unsafe window blinds and window coverings.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** This act may be known and cited as the Jaclyn Frank act."

On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "settings;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter 43.215 RCW; and creating a new section."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1256 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Dickerson and Walsh spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1256, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1256, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 94, Nays - 1, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 94.

Voting nay: Representative Anderson - 1.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1256, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 5, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1328, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"Sec. 1.** RCW 39.04.155 and 2001 c 284 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:



(1) This section provides uniform small works roster provisions to award contracts for construction, building, renovation, remodeling, alteration, repair, or improvement of real property that may be used by state agencies and by any local government that is expressly authorized to use these provisions. These provisions may be used in lieu of other procedures to award contracts for such work with an estimated cost of two hundred thousand dollars or less. The small works roster process includes the limited public works process authorized under subsection (3) of this section and any local government authorized to award contracts using the small works roster process under this section may award contracts using the limited public works process under subsection (3) of this section.

(2)(a) A state agency or authorized local government may create a single general small works roster, or may create a small works roster for different specialties or categories of anticipated work. Where applicable, small works rosters may make distinctions between contractors based upon different geographic areas served by the contractor. The small works roster or rosters shall consist of all responsible contractors who have requested to be on the list, and where required by law are properly licensed or registered to perform such work in this state. A state agency or local government establishing a small works roster or rosters may require eligible contractors desiring to be placed on a roster or rosters to keep current records of any applicable licenses, certifications, registrations, bonding, insurance, or other appropriate matters on file with the state agency or local government as a condition of being placed on a roster or rosters. At least once a year, the state agency or local government shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation within the jurisdiction a notice of the existence of the roster or rosters and solicit the names of contractors for such roster or rosters. In addition, responsible contractors shall be added to an appropriate roster or rosters at any time they submit a written request and necessary records. Master contracts may be required to be signed that become effective when a specific award is made using a small works roster.

(b) A state agency establishing a small works roster or rosters shall adopt rules implementing this subsection. A local government establishing a small works roster or rosters shall adopt an ordinance or resolution implementing this subsection. Procedures included in rules adopted by the department of general administration in implementing this subsection must be included in any rules providing for a small works roster or rosters that is adopted by another state agency, if the authority for that state agency to engage in these activities has been delegated to it by the department of general administration under chapter 43.19 RCW. An interlocal contract or agreement between two or more state agencies or local governments establishing a small works roster or rosters to be used by the parties to the agreement or contract must clearly identify the lead entity that is responsible for implementing the provisions of this subsection.

(c) Procedures shall be established for securing telephone, written, or electronic quotations from contractors on the appropriate small works roster to assure that a competitive price is established and to award contracts to the lowest responsible bidder, as defined in RCW 43.19.1911. Invitations for quotations shall include an estimate of the scope and nature of the work to be performed as well as materials and equipment to be furnished. However, detailed plans and specifications need not be included in the invitation. This subsection does not eliminate other requirements for architectural or engineering approvals as to quality and compliance with building codes. Quotations may be invited from all appropriate contractors on the appropriate small works roster. As an alternative, quotations may be invited from at least five contractors on the appropriate small works roster who have indicated the capability of performing the kind

of work being contracted, in a manner that will equitably distribute the opportunity among the contractors on the appropriate roster. However, if the estimated cost of the work is from one hundred thousand dollars to two hundred thousand dollars, a state agency or local government, other than a port district, that chooses to solicit bids from less than all the appropriate contractors on the appropriate small works roster must also notify the remaining contractors on the appropriate small works roster that quotations on the work are being sought. The government has the sole option of determining whether this notice to the remaining contractors is made by: (i) Publishing notice in a legal newspaper in general circulation in the area where the work is to be done; (ii) mailing a notice to these contractors; or (iii) sending a notice to these contractors by facsimile or other electronic means. For purposes of this subsection (2)(c), "equitably distribute" means that a state agency or local government soliciting bids may not favor certain contractors on the appropriate small works roster over other contractors on the appropriate small works roster who perform similar services.

(d) A contract awarded from a small works roster under this section need not be advertised.

(e) Immediately after an award is made, the bid quotations obtained shall be recorded, open to public inspection, and available by telephone inquiry.

(3) In lieu of awarding contracts under subsection (2) of this section, a state agency or authorized local government may award a contract for work, construction, alteration, repair, or improvement (~~(project [projects])~~) projects estimated to cost less than thirty-five thousand dollars using the limited public works process provided under this subsection. Public works projects awarded under this subsection are exempt from the other requirements of the small works roster process provided under subsection (2) of this section and are exempt from the requirement that contracts be awarded after advertisement as provided under RCW 39.04.010.

For limited public works projects, a state agency or authorized local government shall solicit electronic or written quotations from a minimum of three contractors from the appropriate small works roster and shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder as defined under RCW 43.19.1911. After an award is made, the quotations shall be open to public inspection and available by electronic request. A state agency or authorized local government shall attempt to distribute opportunities for limited public works projects equitably among contractors willing to perform in the geographic area of the work. A state agency or authorized local government shall maintain a list of the contractors contacted and the contracts awarded during the previous twenty-four months under the limited public works process, including the name of the contractor, the contractor's registration number, the amount of the contract, a brief description of the type of work performed, and the date the contract was awarded. For limited public works projects, a state agency or authorized local government may waive the payment and performance bond requirements of chapter 39.08 RCW and the retainage requirements of chapter 60.28 RCW, thereby assuming the liability for the contractor's nonpayment of laborers, mechanics, subcontractors, (~~(materialmen)~~) materialpersons, suppliers, and taxes imposed under Title 82 RCW that may be due from the contractor for the limited public works project, however the state agency or authorized local government shall have the right of recovery against the contractor for any payments made on the contractor's behalf.

(4) The breaking of any project into units or accomplishing any projects by phases is prohibited if it is done for the purpose of avoiding the maximum dollar amount of a contract that may be let using the small works roster process or limited public works process.

(5)(a) A state agency or authorized local government may use the limited public works process of subsection (3) of this section to solicit and award small works roster contracts to small businesses that are registered contractors with gross revenues under one million dollars annually as reported on their federal tax return.

(b) A state agency or authorized local government may adopt additional procedures to encourage small businesses that are registered contractors with gross revenues under two hundred fifty thousand dollars annually as reported on their federal tax returns to submit quotations or bids on small works roster contracts.

(6) As used in this section, "state agency" means the department of general administration, the state parks and recreation commission, the department of natural resources, the department of fish and wildlife, the department of transportation, any institution of higher education as defined under RCW 28B.10.016, and any other state agency delegated authority by the department of general administration to engage in construction, building, renovation, remodeling, alteration, improvement, or repair activities.

**Sec. 2.** RCW 60.28.051 and 1992 c 223 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

Upon completion of a contract, the state, county, or other municipal officer charged with the duty of disbursing or authorizing disbursement or payment of such contracts shall forthwith notify the department of revenue of the completion of contracts over ~~((twenty))~~ thirty-five thousand dollars. Such officer shall not make any payment from the retained percentage fund or release any retained percentage escrow account to any person, until he or she has received from the department of revenue a certificate that all taxes, increases, and penalties due from the contractor, and all taxes due and to become due with respect to such contract have been paid in full or that they are, in the department's opinion, readily collectible without recourse to the state's lien on the retained percentage.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 39.08.010 and 1989 c 145 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

Whenever any board, council, commission, trustees, or body acting for the state or any county or municipality or any public body shall contract with any person or corporation to do any work for the state, county, or municipality, or other public body, city, town, or district, such board, council, commission, trustees, or body shall require the person or persons with whom such contract is made to make, execute, and deliver to such board, council, commission, trustees, or body a good and sufficient bond, with a surety company as surety, conditioned that such person or persons shall faithfully perform all the provisions of such contract and pay all laborers, mechanics, and subcontractors and materialmen, and all persons who supply such person or persons, or subcontractors, with provisions and supplies for the carrying on of such work, which bond in cases of cities and towns shall be filed with the clerk or comptroller thereof, and any person or persons performing such services or furnishing material to any subcontractor shall have the same right under the provisions of such bond as if such work, services, or material was furnished to the original contractor: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That the provisions of RCW 39.08.010 through 39.08.030 shall not apply to any money loaned or advanced to any such contractor, subcontractor or other person in the performance of any such work: PROVIDED FURTHER, That on contracts of ~~((twenty-five))~~ thirty-five thousand dollars or less, at the option of the contractor the respective public entity may, in lieu of the bond, retain fifty percent of the contract amount for a period of thirty days after date of final acceptance, or until receipt of all necessary releases from the

department of revenue and the department of labor and industries and settlement of any liens filed under chapter 60.28 RCW, whichever is later: PROVIDED FURTHER, That for contracts of one hundred thousand dollars or less, the public entity may accept a full payment and performance bond from an individual surety or sureties: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That the surety must agree to be bound by the laws of the state of Washington and subjected to the jurisdiction of the state of Washington.

**Sec. 4.** RCW 39.12.040 and 1991 c 15 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, before payment is made by or on behalf of the state, or any county, municipality, or political subdivision created by its laws, of any sum or sums due on account of a public works contract, it shall be the duty of the officer or person charged with the custody and disbursement of public funds to require the contractor and each and every subcontractor from the contractor or a subcontractor to submit to such officer a "Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages". For a contract in excess of ten thousand dollars, the statement of intent to pay prevailing wages shall include:

- (a) The contractor's registration certificate number; and
- (b) The prevailing rate of wage for each classification of workers entitled to prevailing wages under RCW 39.12.020 and the estimated number of workers in each classification.

Each statement of intent to pay prevailing wages must be approved by the industrial statistician of the department of labor and industries before it is submitted to said officer. Unless otherwise authorized by the department of labor and industries, each voucher claim submitted by a contractor for payment on a project estimate shall state that the prevailing wages have been paid in accordance with the prefiled statement or statements of intent to pay prevailing wages on file with the public agency. Following the final acceptance of a public works project, it shall be the duty of the officer charged with the disbursement of public funds, to require the contractor and each and every subcontractor from the contractor or a subcontractor to submit to such officer an "Affidavit of Wages Paid" before the funds retained according to the provisions of RCW 60.28.010 are released to the contractor. Each affidavit of wages paid must be certified by the industrial statistician of the department of labor and industries before it is submitted to said officer.

(2) As an alternate to the procedures provided for in subsection (1) of this section, for public works projects of two thousand five hundred dollars or less and for projects where the limited public works process under RCW 39.04.155(3) is followed:

(a) An awarding agency may authorize the contractor or subcontractor to submit the statement of intent to pay prevailing wages directly to the officer or person charged with the custody or disbursement of public funds in the awarding agency without approval by the industrial statistician of the department of labor and industries. The awarding agency shall retain such statement of intent to pay prevailing wages for a period of not less than three years.

(b) Upon final acceptance of the public works project, the awarding agency shall require the contractor or subcontractor to submit an affidavit of wages paid. Upon receipt of the affidavit of wages paid, the awarding agency may pay the contractor or subcontractor in full, including funds that would otherwise be retained according to the provisions of RCW 60.28.010. Within thirty days of receipt of the affidavit of wages paid, the awarding agency shall submit the affidavit of wages paid to the industrial statistician of the department of labor and industries for approval.

(c) A statement of intent to pay prevailing wages and an affidavit of wages paid shall be on forms approved by the department of labor and industries.

(d) In the event of a wage claim and a finding for the claimant by the department of labor and industries where the awarding agency has used the alternative process provided for in subsection (2) of this section, the awarding agency shall pay the wages due directly to the claimant. If the contractor or subcontractor did not pay the wages stated in the affidavit of wages paid, the awarding agency may take action at law to seek reimbursement from the contractor or subcontractor of wages paid to the claimant, and may prohibit the contractor or subcontractor from bidding on any public works contract of the awarding agency for up to one year.

(e) Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to allow an awarding agency to subdivide any public works project of more than two thousand five hundred dollars for the purpose of circumventing the procedures required by RCW 39.12.040(1)."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "procedures;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 39.04.155, 60.28.051, 39.08.010, and 39.12.040."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL**

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1328 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

**FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL  
AS SENATE AMENDED**

Representative Santos spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1328, as amended by the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1328, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby,

Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1328, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 4, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1331, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 18.92.015 and 2000 c 93 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:

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

~~("Veterinary technician" means a person who has successfully completed an examination administered by the board and who has either successfully completed a post high school course approved by the board in the care and treatment of animals or had five years' practical experience, acceptable to the board, with a licensed veterinarian.))~~

(1) "Board" means the Washington state veterinary board of governors.

(2) "Department" means the department of health.

(3) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department of health.

(4) "Veterinary medication clerk" means a person who has satisfactorily completed a board-approved training program developed in consultation with the board of pharmacy and designed to prepare persons to perform certain nondiscretionary functions defined by the board and used in the dispensing of legend and nonlegend drugs (except controlled substances as defined in or under chapter 69.50 RCW) associated with the practice of veterinary medicine.

(5) "Veterinary technician" means a person who is licensed by the board upon meeting the requirements of section 2 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 18.92 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The board shall issue a veterinary technician license to an individual who has:

(a) Successfully passed an examination administered by the board; and

(b)(i) Successfully completed a posthigh school course approved by the board in the care and treatment of animals; or

(ii) Had five years' practical experience, acceptable to the board, with a licensed veterinarian.

(2) The board shall adopt rules under chapter 34.05 RCW identifying standard tasks and procedures that must be included in the experience of a person who qualifies to take the veterinarian

technician examination through the period of practical experience required in subsection (1)(b)(ii) of this section, and requirements for the supervising veterinarian's attestation to completion of the practical experience and that training included the required tasks and procedures.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 18.92.021 and 1983 c 2 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) There is created a Washington state veterinary board of governors consisting of ~~((six))~~ seven members, five of whom shall be licensed veterinarians, one of whom shall be a licensed veterinary technician trained in both large and small animal medicine, and one of whom shall be a lay member.

(2)(a) The licensed members shall be appointed by the governor. At the time of their appointment the licensed members of the board must be actual residents of the state in active practice as licensed practitioners of veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry, or employed as a licensed veterinary technician, as applicable, and must be citizens of the United States. Not more than one licensed veterinary member shall be from the same congressional district. The board shall not be deemed to be unlawfully constituted and a member of the board shall not be deemed ineligible to serve the remainder of the member's unexpired term on the board solely by reason of the establishment of new or revised boundaries for congressional districts.

(b) The terms of the first licensed members of the board shall be as follows: One member for five, four, three, two, and one years respectively. Thereafter the terms shall be for five years and until their successors are appointed and qualified.

~~((3))~~ (c) The lay member shall be appointed by the governor for a five year term and until the lay member's successor is appointed.

~~((4))~~ (d) A member may be appointed to serve a second term, if that term does not run consecutively.

(e) Vacancies in the board shall be filled by the governor, the appointee to hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

~~((5))~~ (3) The licensed veterinary technician member is a nonvoting member with respect to board decisions related to the discipline of a veterinarian involving standard of care.

(4) Officers of the board shall be a ~~((chairman))~~ chair and a secretary-treasurer to be chosen by the members of the board from among its members.

~~((6))~~ (5) Four members of the board shall constitute a quorum at meetings of the board.

**Sec. 4.** RCW 18.92.030 and 2000 c 93 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The board shall develop and administer, or approve, or both, a licensure examination in the subjects determined by the board to be essential to the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry. The board may approve an examination prepared or administered by a private testing agency or association of licensing authorities.

(2) The board, under chapter 34.05 RCW, may adopt rules necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter, including:

(a) Standards for the performance of the duties and responsibilities of veterinary technicians and veterinary medication clerks and fixing minimum standards of continuing education for veterinary technicians. The rules shall be adopted in the interest of good veterinary health care delivery to the consuming public and shall not prevent veterinary technicians from inoculating an animal ~~((The board also has the power to adopt by rule)); and~~

(b) Standards prescribing requirements for veterinary medical facilities and fixing minimum standards of continuing veterinary medical education.

(3) The department is the board's official office of record.

**Sec. 5.** RCW 18.92.013 and 2000 c 93 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A veterinarian legally prescribing drugs may delegate to a registered veterinary medication clerk or a ~~((registered))~~ licensed veterinary technician, while under the veterinarian's direct supervision, certain nondiscretionary functions defined by the board and used in the dispensing of legend and nonlegend drugs (except controlled substances as defined in or under chapter 69.50 RCW) associated with the practice of veterinary medicine. Upon final approval of the packaged prescription following a direct physical inspection of the packaged prescription for proper formulation, packaging, and labeling by the veterinarian, the veterinarian may delegate the delivery of the prescription to a registered veterinary medication clerk or ~~((registered))~~ licensed veterinary technician, while under the veterinarian's indirect supervision. Dispensing of drugs by veterinarians, ~~((registered))~~ licensed veterinary technicians, and registered veterinary medication clerks shall meet the applicable requirements of chapters 18.64, 69.40, 69.41, and 69.50 RCW and is subject to inspection by the board of pharmacy investigators.

(2) For the purposes of this section:

(a) "Direct supervision" means the veterinarian is on the premises and is quickly and easily available; and

(b) "Indirect supervision" means the veterinarian is not on the premises but has given written or oral instructions for the delegated task.

**Sec. 6.** RCW 18.92.140 and 2000 c 93 s 13 are each amended to read as follows:

Each person now qualified to practice veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry, ~~((registered))~~ licensed as a veterinary technician, or registered as a veterinary medication clerk in this state or who becomes licensed or registered to engage in practice shall comply with administrative procedures, administrative requirements, and fees determined as provided in RCW 43.70.250 and 43.70.280.

**Sec. 7.** RCW 18.92.145 and 2000 c 93 s 14 are each amended to read as follows:

Administrative procedures, administrative requirements, and fees shall be established as provided in RCW 43.70.250 and 43.70.280 for the issuance, renewal, or administration of the following licenses, certificates of registration, permits, duplicate licenses, renewals, or examination:

(1) For a license to practice veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry issued upon an examination given by the examining board;

(2) For a license to practice veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry issued upon the basis of a license issued in another state;

(3) For a ~~((certificate of registration))~~ license as a veterinary technician;

(4) For a certificate of registration as a veterinary medication clerk;

(5) For a temporary permit to practice veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry. The temporary permit fee shall be accompanied by the full amount of the examination fee; and

(6) For a license to practice specialized veterinary medicine."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "technicians;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 18.92.015,

18.92.021, 18.92.030, 18.92.013, 18.92.140, and 18.92.145; and adding a new section to chapter 18.92 RCW."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1331 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Haigh spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1331, as amended by the Senate.

### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1331, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1331, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1371, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 46.63.073 and 2005 c 331 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In the event a traffic infraction is based on a vehicle's identification, and the registered owner of the vehicle is a rental car business, the law enforcement agency shall, before a notice of infraction may be issued, provide a written notice to the rental car business that a notice of infraction may be issued to the rental car business if the rental car business does not, within thirty days of receiving the written notice, provide to the issuing agency by return mail:

(a) A statement under oath stating the name and known mailing address of the individual driving or renting the vehicle when the infraction occurred; or

(b) A statement under oath that the business is unable to determine who was driving or renting the vehicle at the time the infraction occurred because the vehicle was stolen at the time of the infraction. A statement provided under this subsection must be accompanied by a copy of a filed police report regarding the vehicle theft.

Timely mailing of this statement to the issuing law enforcement agency relieves a rental car business of any liability under this chapter for the notice of infraction. In lieu of identifying the vehicle operator, the rental car business may pay the applicable penalty. ~~((2))~~ For the purpose of this ~~(section)~~ subsection, a "traffic infraction based on a vehicle's identification" includes, but is not limited to, parking infractions, high-occupancy toll lane violations, and violations recorded by automated traffic safety cameras.

(2) In the event a parking infraction is issued by a private parking facility and is based on a vehicle's identification, and the registered owner of the vehicle is a rental car business, the parking facility shall, before a notice of infraction may be issued, provide a written notice to the rental car business that a notice of infraction may be issued to the rental car business if the rental car business does not, within thirty days of receiving the written notice, provide to the parking facility by return mail:

(a) A statement under oath stating the name and known mailing address of the individual driving or renting the vehicle when the infraction occurred; or

(b) A statement under oath that the business is unable to determine who was driving or renting the vehicle at the time the infraction occurred because the vehicle was stolen at the time of the infraction. A statement provided under this subsection must be accompanied by a copy of a filed police report regarding the vehicle theft.

Timely mailing of this statement to the parking facility relieves a rental car business of any liability under this chapter for the notice of infraction. In lieu of identifying the vehicle operator, the rental car business may pay the applicable penalty. For the purpose of this subsection, a "parking infraction based on a vehicle's identification" is limited to parking infractions occurring on a private parking facility's premises.

**Sec. 2.** RCW 46.63.160 and 2004 c 231 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) This section applies only to traffic infractions issued under RCW 46.61.690 for toll collection evasion.

(2) Nothing in this section prohibits a law enforcement officer from issuing a notice of traffic infraction to a person in control of a

vehicle at the time a violation occurs under RCW 46.63.030(1) (a), (b), or (c).

(3) Toll collection systems include manual cash collection, electronic toll collection, and photo enforcement systems.

(4) "Electronic toll collection system" means a system of collecting tolls or charges that is capable of charging the account of the toll patron the appropriate toll or charge by electronic transmission from the motor vehicle to the toll collection system, which information is used to charge the appropriate toll or charge to the patron's account.

(5) "Photo enforcement system" means a vehicle sensor installed to work in conjunction with an electronic toll collection system that automatically produces one or more photographs, one or more microphotographs, a videotape, or other recorded images of a vehicle operated in violation of an infraction under this chapter.

(6) The use of a toll collection system is subject to the following requirements:

(a) The department of transportation shall adopt rules that allow an open standard for automatic vehicle identification transponders used for electronic toll collection to be compatible with other electronic payment devices or transponders from the Washington state ferry system, other public transportation systems, or other toll collection systems to the extent that technology permits. The rules must also allow for multiple vendors providing electronic payment devices or transponders as technology permits.

(b) The department of transportation may not sell, distribute, or make available in any way, the names and addresses of electronic toll collection system account holders.

(7) The use of a photo enforcement system for issuance of notices of infraction is subject to the following requirements:

(a) Photo enforcement systems may take photographs, digital photographs, microphotographs, videotapes, or other recorded images of the vehicle and vehicle license plate only.

(b) A notice of infraction must be mailed to the registered owner of the vehicle or to the renter of a vehicle within sixty days of the violation. The law enforcement officer issuing the notice of infraction shall include with it a certificate or facsimile thereof, based upon inspection of photographs, microphotographs, videotape, or other recorded images produced by a photo enforcement system, stating the facts supporting the notice of infraction. This certificate or facsimile is prima facie evidence of the facts contained in it and is admissible in a proceeding charging a violation under this chapter. The photographs, digital photographs, microphotographs, videotape, or other recorded images evidencing the violation must be available for inspection and admission into evidence in a proceeding to adjudicate the liability for the infraction.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all photographs, digital photographs, microphotographs, videotape, or other recorded images prepared under this chapter are for the exclusive use of the tolling agency and law enforcement in the discharge of duties under this section and are not open to the public and may not be used in a court in a pending action or proceeding unless the action or proceeding relates to a violation under this chapter. No photograph, digital photograph, microphotograph, videotape, or other recorded image may be used for any purpose other than enforcement of violations under this chapter nor retained longer than necessary to enforce this chapter or verify that tolls are paid.

(d) All locations where a photo enforcement system is used must be clearly marked by placing signs in locations that clearly indicate to a driver that he or she is entering a zone where traffic laws are enforced by a photo enforcement system.

(8) Infractions detected through the use of photo enforcement systems are not part of the registered owner's driving record under RCW 46.52.101 and 46.52.120.

(9) If the registered owner of the vehicle is a rental car business the department of transportation or a law enforcement agency shall, before a notice of infraction being issued under this section, provide a written notice to the rental car business that a notice of infraction may be issued to the rental car business if the rental car business does not, within eighteen days of the mailing of the written notice, provide to the issuing agency by return mail:

(a) A statement under oath stating the name and known mailing address of the individual driving or renting the vehicle when the infraction occurred; or

(b) A statement under oath that the business is unable to determine who was driving or renting the vehicle at the time the infraction occurred because the vehicle was stolen at the time of the infraction. A statement provided under this subsection must be accompanied by a copy of a filed police report regarding the vehicle theft; or

(c) In lieu of identifying the vehicle operator, the rental car business may pay the applicable toll and fee.

Timely mailing of this statement to the issuing law enforcement agency relieves a rental car business of any liability under this chapter for the notice of infraction.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 46.63.170 and 2005 c 167 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The use of automated traffic safety cameras for issuance of notices of infraction is subject to the following requirements:

(a) The appropriate local legislative authority must first enact an ordinance allowing for their use to detect one or more of the following: Stoplight, railroad crossing, or school speed zone violations. At a minimum, the local ordinance must contain the restrictions described in this section and provisions for public notice and signage. Cities and counties using automated traffic safety cameras before July 24, 2005, are subject to the restrictions described in this section, but are not required to enact an authorizing ordinance.

(b) Use of automated traffic safety cameras is restricted to two-arterial intersections, railroad crossings, and school speed zones only.

(c) Automated traffic safety cameras may only take pictures of the vehicle and vehicle license plate and only while an infraction is occurring. The picture must not reveal the face of the driver or of passengers in the vehicle.

(d) A notice of infraction must be mailed to the registered owner of the vehicle within fourteen days of the violation, or to the renter of a vehicle within fourteen days of establishing the renter's name and address under subsection (3)(a) of this section. The law enforcement officer issuing the notice of infraction shall include with it a certificate or facsimile thereof, based upon inspection of photographs, microphotographs, or electronic images produced by an automated traffic safety camera, stating the facts supporting the notice of infraction. This certificate or facsimile is prima facie evidence of the facts contained in it and is admissible in a proceeding charging a violation under this chapter. The photographs, microphotographs, or electronic images evidencing the violation must be available for inspection and admission into evidence in a proceeding to adjudicate the liability for the infraction. A person receiving a notice of infraction based on evidence detected by an automated traffic safety camera may respond to the notice by mail.

(e) The registered owner of a vehicle is responsible for an infraction under RCW 46.63.030(1)(e) unless the registered owner overcomes the presumption in RCW 46.63.075, or, in the case of a

rental car business, satisfies the conditions under subsection (3) of this section. If appropriate under the circumstances, a renter identified under subsection (3)(a) of this section is responsible for an infraction.

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all photographs, microphotographs, or electronic images prepared under this section are for the exclusive use of law enforcement in the discharge of duties under this section and are not open to the public and may not be used in a court in a pending action or proceeding unless the action or proceeding relates to a violation under this section. No photograph, microphotograph, or electronic image may be used for any purpose other than enforcement of violations under this section nor retained longer than necessary to enforce this section.

(g) All locations where an automated traffic safety camera is used must be clearly marked by placing signs in locations that clearly indicate to a driver that he or she is entering a zone where traffic laws are enforced by an automated traffic safety camera.

(h) If a county or city has established an authorized automated traffic safety camera program under this section, the compensation paid to the manufacturer or vendor of the equipment used must be based only upon the value of the equipment and services provided or rendered in support of the system, and may not be based upon a portion of the fine or civil penalty imposed or the revenue generated by the equipment.

(2) Infractions detected through the use of automated traffic safety cameras are not part of the registered owner's driving record under RCW 46.52.101 and 46.52.120. Additionally, infractions generated by the use of automated traffic safety cameras under this section shall be processed in the same manner as parking infractions, including for the purposes of RCW 3.46.120, 3.50.100, 35.20.220, 46.16.216, and 46.20.270(3). However, the amount of the fine issued for an infraction generated through the use of an automated traffic safety camera shall not exceed the amount of a fine issued for other parking infractions within the jurisdiction.

(3) If the registered owner of the vehicle is a rental car business, the law enforcement agency shall, before a notice of infraction being issued under this section, provide a written notice to the rental car business that a notice of infraction may be issued to the rental car business if the rental car business does not, within eighteen days of receiving the written notice, provide to the issuing agency by return mail:

(a) A statement under oath stating the name and known mailing address of the individual driving or renting the vehicle when the infraction occurred; or

(b) A statement under oath that the business is unable to determine who was driving or renting the vehicle at the time the infraction occurred because the vehicle was stolen at the time of the infraction. A statement provided under this subsection must be accompanied by a copy of a filed police report regarding the vehicle theft; or

(c) In lieu of identifying the vehicle operator, the rental car business may pay the applicable penalty.

Timely mailing of this statement to the issuing law enforcement agency relieves a rental car business of any liability under this chapter for the notice of infraction.

(4) Nothing in this section prohibits a law enforcement officer from issuing a notice of traffic infraction to a person in control of a vehicle at the time a violation occurs under RCW 46.63.030(1) (a), (b), or (c).

(5) For the purposes of this section, "automated traffic safety camera" means a device that uses a vehicle sensor installed to work in conjunction with an intersection traffic control system, a railroad

grade crossing control system, or a speed measuring device, and a camera synchronized to automatically record one or more sequenced photographs, microphotographs, or electronic images of the rear of a motor vehicle at the time the vehicle fails to stop when facing a steady red traffic control signal or an activated railroad grade crossing control signal, or exceeds a speed limit in a school speed zone as detected by a speed measuring device."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "vehicles;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 46.63.073, 46.63.160, and 46.63.170."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1371 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Appleton spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1371, as amended by the Senate.

### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1371, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1371, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 6, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTED HOUSE BILL NO. 1407, with the following amendment:

On page 10, after line 32, insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect July 1, 2007."

On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "50.16.010;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "creating a new section; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL**

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTED HOUSE BILL NO. 1407 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

**FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL  
AS SENATE AMENDED**

Representatives Conway and Condotta spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1407, as amended by the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1407, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloschia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow,

Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.  
Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTED HOUSE BILL NO. 1407, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 10, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTED HOUSE BILL NO. 1409, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 76.09.240 and 2002 c 121 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) ~~((By December 31, 2005, each county and each city shall adopt ordinances or promulgate regulations setting standards for those Class IV forest practices regulated by local government. The regulations shall: (a) Establish minimum standards for Class IV forest practices; (b) set forth necessary administrative provisions; and (c) establish procedures for the collection and administration of forest practices and recording fees as set forth in this chapter.~~

~~(2) Class IV forest practices regulations shall be administered and enforced by the counties and cities that promulgate them.~~

~~(3) The forest practices board shall continue to promulgate regulations and the department shall continue to administer and enforce the regulations promulgated by the board in each county and each city for all forest practices as provided in this chapter until such time as, in the opinion of the department, the county or city has promulgated forest practices regulations that meet the requirements as set forth in this section and that meet or exceed the standards set forth by the board in regulations in effect at the time the local regulations are adopted. Regulations promulgated by the county or city thereafter shall be reviewed in the usual manner set forth for county or city rules or ordinances. Amendments to local ordinances must meet or exceed the forest practices rules at the time the local ordinances are amended.~~

~~(a) Department review of the initial regulations promulgated by a county or city shall take place upon written request by the county or city. The department, in consultation with the department of ecology, may approve or disapprove the regulations in whole or in part.~~

~~(b) Until January 1, 2006, the department shall provide technical assistance to all counties or cities that have adopted forest practices regulations acceptable to the department and that have assumed regulatory authority over all Class IV forest practices within their jurisdiction.~~

~~(c) Decisions by the department approving or disapproving the initial regulations promulgated by a county or city may be appealed to the forest practices appeals board, which has exclusive jurisdiction to review the department's approval or disapproval of regulations promulgated by counties and cities.~~

~~(4)) On or before December 31, 2008:~~

~~(a) Counties planning under RCW 36.70A.040, and the cities and towns within those counties, where more than a total of twenty-~~



five Class IV forest practices applications, as defined in RCW 76.09.050(1) Class IV (a) through (d), have been filed with the department between January 1, 2003, and December 31, 2005, shall adopt and enforce ordinances or regulations as provided in subsection (2) of this section for the following:

(i) Forest practices classified as Class I, II, III, and IV that are within urban growth areas designated under RCW 36.70A.110, except for forest practices on ownerships of contiguous forest land equal to or greater than twenty acres where the forest landowner provides, to the department and the county, a written statement of intent, signed by the forest landowner, not to convert to a use other than growing commercial timber for ten years. This statement must be accompanied by either:

(A) A written forest management plan acceptable to the department; or

(B) Documentation that the land is enrolled as forest land of long-term commercial significance under the provisions of chapter 84.33 RCW; and

(ii) Forest practices classified as Class IV, outside urban growth areas designated under RCW 36.70A.110, involving either timber harvest or road construction, or both on:

(A) Lands platted after January 1, 1960, as provided in chapter 58.17 RCW;

(B) Lands that have or are being converted to another use; or  
(C) Lands which, under RCW 76.09.070, are not to be reforested because of the likelihood of future conversion to urban development;

(b) Counties planning under RCW 36.70A.040, and the cities and towns within those counties, not included in (a) of this subsection, may adopt and enforce ordinances or regulations as provided in (a) of this subsection; and

(c) Counties not planning under RCW 36.70A.040, and the cities and towns within those counties, may adopt and enforce ordinances or regulations as provided in subsection (2) of this section for forest practices classified as Class IV involving either timber harvest or road construction, or both on:

(i) Lands platted after January 1, 1960, as provided in chapter 58.17 RCW;

(ii) Lands that have or are being converted to another use; or  
(iii) Lands which, under RCW 76.09.070, are not to be reforested because of the likelihood of future conversion to urban development.

(2) Before a county, city, or town may regulate forest practices under subsection (1) of this section, it shall ensure that its critical areas and development regulations are in compliance with RCW 36.70A.130 and, if applicable, RCW 36.70A.215. The county, city, or town shall notify the department and the department of ecology in writing sixty days prior to adoption of the development regulations required in this section. The transfer of jurisdiction shall not occur until the county, city, or town has notified the department, the department of revenue, and the department of ecology in writing of the effective date of the regulations. Ordinances and regulations adopted under subsection (1) of this section and this subsection must be consistent with or supplement development regulations that protect critical areas pursuant to RCW 36.70A.060, and shall at a minimum include:

(a) Provisions that require appropriate approvals for all phases of the conversion of forest lands, including land clearing and grading; and

(b) Procedures for the collection and administration of permit and recording fees.

(3) Activities regulated by counties, cities, or towns as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section shall be administered and enforced by those counties, cities, or towns. The department shall not regulate these activities under this chapter.

(4) The board shall continue to adopt rules and the department shall continue to administer and enforce those rules in each county, city, or town for all forest practices as provided in this chapter until such a time as the county, city, or town has updated its development regulations as required by RCW 36.70A.130 and, if applicable, RCW 36.70A.215, and has adopted ordinances or regulations under subsections (1) and (2) of this section. However, counties, cities, and towns that have adopted ordinances or regulations regarding forest practices prior to the effective date of this section are not required to readopt their ordinances or regulations in order to satisfy the requirements of this section.

(5) Upon request, the department shall provide technical assistance to all counties, cities, and towns while they are in the process of adopting the regulations required by this section, and after the regulations become effective.

(6) For those forest practices over which the board and the department maintain regulatory authority no county, city, municipality, or other local or regional governmental entity shall adopt or enforce any law, ordinance, or regulation pertaining to forest practices, except that to the extent otherwise permitted by law, such entities may exercise any:

(a) Land use planning or zoning authority: PROVIDED, That exercise of such authority may regulate forest practices only: (i) Where the application submitted under RCW 76.09.060 as now or hereafter amended indicates that the lands have been or will be converted to a use other than commercial forest product production; or (ii) on lands which have been platted after January 1, 1960, as provided in chapter 58.17 RCW: PROVIDED, That no permit system solely for forest practices shall be allowed; that any additional or more stringent regulations shall not be inconsistent with the forest practices regulations enacted under this chapter; and such local regulations shall not unreasonably prevent timber harvesting;

(b) Taxing powers;

(c) Regulatory authority with respect to public health; and

(d) Authority granted by chapter 90.58 RCW, the "Shoreline Management Act of 1971".

(7) To improve the administration of the forest excise tax created in chapter 84.33 RCW, a county, city, or town that regulates forest practices under this section shall report permit information to the department of revenue for all approved forest practices permits. The permit information shall be reported to the department of revenue no later than sixty days after the date the permit was approved and shall be in a form and manner agreed to by the county, city, or town and the department of revenue. Permit information includes the landowner's legal name, address, telephone number, and parcel number.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 36.70A RCW to read as follows:

(1) Each county, city, and town assuming regulation of forest practices as provided in RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2) shall adopt development regulations that:

(a) Protect public resources, as defined in RCW 76.09.020, from material damage or the potential for material damage;

(b) Require appropriate approvals for all phases of the conversion of forest lands, including clearing and grading;

(c) Are guided by the planning goals in RCW 36.70A.020 and by the purposes and policies of the forest practices act as set forth in RCW 76.09.010; and

(d) Are consistent with or supplement development regulations that protect critical areas pursuant to RCW 36.70A.060.

(2) If necessary, each county, city, or town that assumes regulation of forest practices under RCW 76.09.240 shall amend its comprehensive plan to ensure consistency between its comprehensive plan and development regulations.

(3) Before a county, city, or town may regulate forest practices under RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2), it shall update its development regulations as required by RCW 36.70A.130 and, if applicable, RCW 36.70A.215. Forest practices regulations adopted under RCW 76.09.240 (1) and (2) may be adopted as part of the legislative action taken under RCW 36.70A.130 or 36.70A.215."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "governments;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 76.09.240; and adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1409 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives B. Sullivan and Orcutt spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1409, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1409, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke,

Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.  
Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1409, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 4, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1422, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes the significant impact on the lives and well-being of children and families when a parent is incarcerated. It is the intent of the legislature to support children and families, and maintain familial connections when appropriate, during the period a parent is incarcerated. Further, the legislature finds that there must be a greater emphasis placed on identifying state policies and programs impacting children with incarcerated parents. Additionally, greater effort must be made to ensure that the policies and programs of the state are supportive of the children, and meet their needs during the time the parent is incarcerated.

According to the final report of the children of incarcerated parents oversight committee, helping offenders build durable family relationships may reduce the likelihood that their children will go to prison later in life. Additionally, the report indicates that offenders who reconnect with their families in sustaining ways are less likely to reoffend. In all efforts to help offenders build these relationships with their children, the safety of the children will be paramount.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 72.09 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The secretary of corrections shall review current department policies and assess the following:

(a) The impact of existing policies on the ability of offenders to maintain familial contact and engagement between inmates and children; and

(b) The adequacy and availability of programs targeted at inmates with children.

(2) The secretary shall adopt policies that encourage familial contact and engagement between inmates and their children with the goal of reducing recidivism and intergenerational incarceration. Programs and policies should take into consideration the children's need to maintain contact with his or her parent and the inmate's ability to develop plans to financially support their children, assist in reunification when appropriate, and encourage the improvement of parenting skills where needed.

(3) The department shall conduct the following activities to assist in implementing the requirements of subsection (1) of this section:

(a) Gather information and data on the families of inmates, particularly the children of incarcerated parents;

(b) Evaluate data to determine the impact on recidivism and intergenerational incarceration; and

(c) Participate in the children of incarcerated parents advisory committee and report information obtained under this section to the advisory committee.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 74.04 RCW to read as follows:

(1)(a) The secretary of social and health services shall review current department policies and assess the adequacy and availability of programs targeted at persons who receive services through the department who are the children and families of a person who is incarcerated in a department of corrections facility. Great attention shall be focused on programs and policies affecting foster youth who have a parent who is incarcerated.

(b) The secretary shall adopt policies that encourage familial contact and engagement between inmates of the department of corrections facilities and their children with the goal of facilitating normal child development, while reducing recidivism and intergenerational incarceration. Programs and policies should take into consideration the children's need to maintain contact with his or her parent, the inmate's ability to develop plans to financially support their children, assist in reunification when appropriate, and encourage the improvement of parenting skills where needed. The programs and policies should also meet the needs of the child while the parent is incarcerated.

(2) The secretary shall conduct the following activities to assist in implementing the requirements of subsection (1) of this section:

(a) Gather information and data on the recipients of public assistance, or children in the care of the state under chapter 13.34 RCW, who are the children and families of inmates incarcerated in department of corrections facilities; and

(b) Participate in the children of incarcerated parents advisory committee and report information obtained under this section to the advisory committee.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 43.215 RCW to read as follows:

(1)(a) The director of the department of early learning shall review current department policies and assess the adequacy and availability of programs targeted at persons who receive assistance who are the children and families of a person who is incarcerated in a department of corrections facility. Great attention shall be focused on programs and policies affecting foster youth who have a parent who is incarcerated.

(b) The director shall adopt policies that support the children of incarcerated parents and meet their needs with the goal of facilitating normal child development, while reducing intergenerational incarceration.

(2) The director shall conduct the following activities to assist in implementing the requirements of subsection (1) of this section:

(a) Gather information and data on the recipients of assistance who are the children and families of inmates incarcerated in department of corrections facilities; and

(b) Participate in the children of incarcerated parents advisory committee and report information obtained under this section to the advisory committee.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The superintendent of public instruction shall review current policies and assess the adequacy and availability of programs targeted at children who have a parent who is incarcerated in a department of corrections facility. The superintendent of public instruction shall adopt policies that support the children of incarcerated parents and meet their needs with the goal of facilitating normal child development, including maintaining adequate academic progress, while reducing intergenerational incarceration.

(2) The superintendent shall conduct the following activities to assist in implementing the requirements of subsection (1) of this section:

(a) Gather information and data on the students who are the children of inmates incarcerated in department of corrections facilities; and

(b) Participate in the children of incarcerated parents advisory committee and report information obtained under this section to the advisory committee.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 43.63A RCW to read as follows:

(1)(a) The department of community, trade, and economic development shall establish an advisory committee to monitor, guide, and report on recommendations relating to policies and programs for children and families with incarcerated parents.

(b) The advisory committee shall include representatives of the department of corrections, the department of social and health services, the department of early learning, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, representatives of the private nonprofit and business sectors, child advocates, representatives of Washington state Indian tribes as defined under the federal Indian welfare act (25 U.S.C. Sec. 1901 et seq.), court administrators, the administrative office of the courts, the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, jail administrators, the office of the governor, and others who have an interest in these issues.

(c) The advisory committee shall:

(i) Gather the data collected by the departments as required in sections 2 through 5 of this act;

(ii) Monitor and provide consultation on the implementation of recommendations contained in the 2006 children of incarcerated parents report;

(iii) Identify areas of need and develop recommendations for the legislature, the department of social and health services, the department of corrections, the department of early learning, and the office of the superintendent of public instruction to better meet the needs of children and families of persons incarcerated in department of corrections facilities; and

(iv) Advise the department of community, trade, and economic development regarding community programs the department should fund with moneys appropriated for this purpose in the operating budget. The advisory committee shall provide recommendations to the department regarding the following:

(A) The goals for geographic distribution of programs and funding;

(B) The scope and purpose of eligible services and the priority of such services;

(C) Grant award funding limits;

(D) Entities eligible to apply for the funding;

(E) Whether the funding should be directed towards starting or supporting new programs, expanding existing programs, or whether the funding should be open to all eligible services and providers; and

(F) Other areas the advisory committee determines appropriate.

(d) The children of incarcerated parents advisory committee shall update the legislature and governor annually on committee activities, with the first update due by January 1, 2008.

(2) The department of community, trade, and economic development shall select community programs or services to receive funding that focus on children and families of inmates incarcerated in a department of corrections facility and sustaining the family during the period of the inmate's incarceration.

(a) Programs or services which meet the needs of the children of incarcerated parents should be the greatest consideration in the programs that are identified by the department.

(b) The department shall consider the recommendations of the advisory committee regarding which services or programs the department should fund.

(c) The programs selected shall collaborate with an agency, or agencies, experienced in providing services to aid families and victims of sexual assault and domestic violence to ensure that the programs identify families who have a history of sexual assault or domestic violence and ensure the services provided are appropriate for the children and families.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** The children of incarcerated parents oversight committee shall expire on the effective date of this section.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 8.** If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2007, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and void."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "parents;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter 72.09 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 74.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.215 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.63A RCW; and creating new sections."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1422 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Roberts spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1422, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1422, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 89, Nays - 6, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 89.

Voting nay: Representatives Anderson, Buri, Chandler, DeBolt, Dunn and Kretz - 6.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1422, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 31, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1461, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that there are factors unique to the relationship between a manufactured/mobile home tenant and a manufactured/mobile home community landlord. Once occupancy has commenced, the difficulty and expense in moving and relocating a manufactured/mobile home can affect the operation of market forces and lead to an inequality of the bargaining position of the parties. Once occupancy has commenced, a tenant may be subject to violations of the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act without an adequate remedy at law. This chapter is created for the purpose of protecting the public, fostering fair and honest competition, and regulating the factors unique to the relationship between the manufactured/mobile home tenant and the manufactured/mobile home community landlord.

(2) The legislature finds that taking legal action against a manufactured/mobile home community landlord for violations of the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act can be a costly and lengthy process, and that many people cannot afford to pursue a court process to vindicate statutory rights. Manufactured/mobile home community landlords will also benefit by having access to a process that resolves disputes quickly and efficiently.

(3)(a) Therefore, it is the intent of the legislature to provide an equitable as well as a less costly and more efficient way for manufactured/mobile home tenants and manufactured/mobile home community landlords to resolve disputes, and to provide a mechanism for state authorities to quickly locate manufactured/mobile home community landlords.

(b) The legislature intends to authorize the department of licensing to register manufactured/mobile home communities and collect a registration fee.

(c) The legislature intends to authorize the attorney general to:

(i) Produce and distribute educational materials regarding the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act and the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program created in section 3 of this act;

(ii) Administer the dispute resolution program by taking complaints, conducting investigations, making determinations, issuing fines and other penalties, and participating in administrative dispute resolutions, when necessary, when there are alleged violations of the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act; and

(iii) Collect and annually report upon data related to disputes and violations, and make recommendations on modifying chapter 59.20 RCW, to the appropriate committees of the legislature.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** For purposes of this chapter:

(1) "Complainant" means a landlord, community owner, or tenant, who has a complaint alleging a violation of chapter 59.20 RCW;

(2) "Department" means the department of licensing;

(3) "Director" means the director of licensing;

(4) "Landlord" or "community owner" means the owner of a mobile home park or a manufactured housing community and includes the agents of a landlord;

(5) "Manufactured home" means a single-family dwelling built according to the United States department of housing and urban development manufactured home construction and safety standards act, which is a national preemptive building code. A manufactured home also: (a) Includes plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems; (b) is built on a permanent chassis; and (c) can be transported in one or more sections with each section at least eight feet wide and forty feet long when transported, or when installed on the site is three hundred twenty square feet or greater;

(6) "Mobile home" means a factory-built dwelling built prior to June 15, 1976, to standards other than the United States department of housing and urban development code, and acceptable under applicable state codes in effect at the time of construction or introduction of the home into the state. Mobile homes have not been built since the introduction of the United States department of housing and urban development manufactured home construction and safety act;

(7) "Manufactured/mobile home" means either a manufactured home or a mobile home;

(8) "Manufactured/mobile home lot" means a portion of a manufactured/mobile home community designated as the location of one mobile home, manufactured home, or park model and its accessory buildings, and intended for the exclusive use as a primary residence by the occupants of that mobile home, manufactured home, or park model;

(9) "Mobile home park," "manufactured housing community," or "manufactured/mobile home community" means any real property that is rented or held out for rent to others for the placement of two or more mobile homes, manufactured homes, park models, or recreational vehicles for the primary purpose of production of

income, except where the real property is rented or held out for rent for seasonal recreational purposes only and is not used for year-round occupancy;

(10) "Owner" means one or more persons, jointly or severally, in whom is vested:

(a) All or part of the legal title to the real property; or

(b) All or part of the beneficial ownership, and a right to present use and enjoyment of the real property;

(11) "Park model" means a recreational vehicle intended for permanent or semi-permanent installation and is used as a permanent residence;

(12) "Recreational vehicle" means a travel trailer, motor home, truck camper, or camping trailer that is primarily used as a permanent residence located in a mobile home park or manufactured housing community;

(13) "Respondent" means a landlord, community owner, or tenant, alleged to have committed violation of chapter 59.20 RCW;

(14) "Tenant" means any person, except a transient as defined in RCW 59.20.030, who rents a mobile home lot.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** (1) The attorney general shall administer a manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program.

(2) The purpose of the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program is to provide manufactured/mobile home community landlords and tenants with a cost-effective and time-efficient process to resolve disputes regarding alleged violations of the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act.

(3) The attorney general under the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program shall:

(a) Produce educational materials regarding chapter 59.20 RCW and the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program, including a notice in a format that a landlord can reasonably post in a manufactured/mobile home community that summarizes tenant rights and responsibilities, includes information on how to file a complaint with the attorney general, and includes a toll-free telephone number and web site address that landlords and tenants can use to seek additional information and communicate complaints;

(b) Distribute the educational materials described in (a) of this subsection to all known landlords and information alerting landlords that:

(i) All landlords must post the notice provided by the attorney general that summarizes tenant rights and responsibilities and includes information on how to file complaints, in a clearly visible location in all common areas of manufactured/mobile home communities, including in each clubhouse;

(ii) The attorney general may visually confirm that the notice is appropriately posted; and

(iii) The attorney general may issue a fine or other penalty if the attorney general discovers that the landlord has not appropriately posted the notice or that the landlord has not maintained the posted notice so that it is clearly visible to tenants;

(c) Distribute the educational materials described in (a) of this subsection to any complainants and respondents, as requested;

(d) Perform dispute resolution activities, including investigations, negotiations, determinations of violations, and imposition of fines or other penalties as described in section 4 of this act;

(e) Create and maintain a database of manufactured/mobile home communities that have had complaints filed against them. For each manufactured/mobile home community in the database, the following information must be contained, at a minimum:

(i) The number of complaints received;

- (ii) The nature and extent of the complaints received;
- (iii) The violation of law complained of; and
- (iv) The manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program outcomes for each complaint;
- (f) Provide an annual report to the appropriate committees of the legislature on the data collected under this section, including program performance measures and recommendations regarding how the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program may be improved, by December 31st, beginning in 2007.

(4) The manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program, including all of the duties of the attorney general under the program as described in this section, shall be funded by the collection of fines, other penalties, and fees deposited into the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program account created in section 8 of this act, and all other sources directed to the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** (1) An aggrieved party has the right to file a complaint with the attorney general alleging a violation of chapter 59.20 RCW.

(2) Upon receiving a complaint under this act, the attorney general must:

(a) Inform the complainant of any notification requirements under RCW 59.20.080 for tenant violations or RCW 59.20.200 for landlord violations and encourage the complainant to appropriately notify the respondent of the complaint; and

(b) If a statutory time period is applicable, inform the complainant of the time frame that the respondent has to remedy the complaint under RCW 59.20.080 for tenant violations or RCW 59.20.200 for landlord violations.

(3) After receiving a complaint under this act, the attorney general shall initiate the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program by investigating the alleged violations at its discretion and, if appropriate, facilitating negotiations between the complainant and the respondent.

(4)(a) Complainants and respondents shall cooperate with the attorney general in the course of an investigation by (i) responding to subpoenas issued by the attorney general, which may consist of providing access to papers or other documents, and (ii) providing access to the manufactured/mobile home facilities relevant to the investigation. Complainants and respondents must respond to attorney general subpoenas within thirty days.

(b) Failure to cooperate with the attorney general in the course of an investigation is a violation of this chapter.

(5) If after an investigation the attorney general determines that an agreement cannot be negotiated between the parties, the attorney general shall make a written determination on whether a violation of chapter 59.20 RCW has occurred.

(a) If the attorney general finds by a written determination that a violation of chapter 59.20 RCW has occurred, the attorney general shall deliver a written notice of violation to the respondent who committed the violation by certified mail. The notice of violation must specify the violation, the corrective action required, the time within which the corrective action must be taken, the penalties including fines, other penalties, and actions that will result if corrective action is not taken within the specified time period, and the process for contesting the determination, fines, penalties, and other actions included in the notice of violation through an administrative hearing. The attorney general must deliver to the complainant a copy of the notice of violation by certified mail.

(b) If the attorney general finds by a written determination that a violation of chapter 59.20 RCW has not occurred, the attorney

general shall deliver a written notice of nonviolation to both the complainant and the respondent by certified mail. The notice of nonviolation must include the process for contesting the determination included in the notice of nonviolation through an administrative hearing.

(6) Corrective action must take place within fifteen business days of the respondent's receipt of a notice of violation, except as required otherwise by the attorney general, unless the respondent has submitted a timely request for an administrative hearing to contest the notice of violation as required under subsection (8) of this section. If a respondent, which includes either a landlord or a tenant, fails to take corrective action within the required time period and the attorney general has not received a timely request for an administrative hearing, the attorney general may impose a fine, up to a maximum of two hundred fifty dollars per violation per day, for each day that a violation remains uncorrected. The attorney general must consider the severity and duration of the violation and the violation's impact on other community residents when determining the appropriate amount of a fine or the appropriate penalty to impose on a respondent. If the respondent shows upon timely application to the attorney general that a good faith effort to comply with the corrective action requirements of the notice of violation has been made and that the corrective action has not been completed because of mitigating factors beyond the respondent's control, the attorney general may delay the imposition of a fine or penalty.

(7) The attorney general may issue an order requiring the respondent, or its assignee or agent, to cease and desist from an unlawful practice and take affirmative actions that in the judgment of the attorney general will carry out the purposes of this chapter. The affirmative actions may include, but are not limited to, the following:

(a) Refunds of rent increases, improper fees, charges, and assessments collected in violation of this chapter;

(b) Filing and utilization of documents that correct a statutory or rule violation; and

(c) Reasonable action necessary to correct a statutory or rule violation.

(8) A complainant or respondent may request an administrative hearing before an administrative law judge under chapter 34.05 RCW to contest:

(a) A notice of violation issued under subsection (5)(a) of this section or a notice of nonviolation issued under subsection (5)(b) of this section;

(b) A fine or other penalty imposed under subsection (6) of this section; or

(c) An order to cease and desist or an order to take affirmative actions under subsection (7) of this section.

The complainant or respondent must request an administrative hearing within fifteen business days of receipt of a notice of violation, notice of nonviolation, fine, other penalty, order, or action. If an administrative hearing is not requested within this time period, the notice of violation, notice of nonviolation, fine, other penalty, order, or action constitutes a final order of the attorney general and is not subject to review by any court or agency.

(9) If an administrative hearing is initiated, the respondent and complainant shall each bear the cost of his or her own legal expenses.

(10) The administrative law judge appointed under chapter 34.12 RCW shall:

(a) Hear and receive pertinent evidence and testimony;

(b) Decide whether the evidence supports the attorney general finding by a preponderance of the evidence; and

(c) Enter an appropriate order within thirty days after the close of the hearing and immediately mail copies of the order to the affected parties.

The order of the administrative law judge constitutes the final agency order of the attorney general and may be appealed to the superior court under chapter 34.05 RCW.

(11) When the attorney general imposes a fine, refund, or other penalty against a respondent, the respondent may not seek any recovery or reimbursement of the fine, refund, or other penalty from a complainant or from other manufactured/mobile home tenants.

(12) All receipts from the imposition of fines or other penalties collected under this section other than those due to a complainant must be deposited into the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program account created in section 8 of this act.

(13) This section is not exclusive and does not limit the right of landlords or tenants to take legal action against another party as provided in chapter 59.20 RCW or otherwise. Exhaustion of the administrative remedy provided in this chapter is not required before a landlord or tenants may bring a legal action. This section does not apply to unlawful detainer actions initiated under RCW 59.20.080 prior to the filing and service of an unlawful detainer court action; however, a tenant is not precluded from seeking relief under this chapter if the complaint claims the notice of termination violates RCW 59.20.080 prior to the filing and service of an unlawful detainer action.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** The attorney general, director, or individuals acting on behalf of the attorney general or director are immune from suit in any action, civil or criminal, based upon any disciplinary actions or other official acts performed in the course of their duties under this chapter, except their intentional or willful misconduct.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 6.** (1) The department shall annually register all manufactured/mobile home communities. Each community must be registered separately. The department must deliver by certified mail registration notifications to all known manufactured/mobile home community landlords. Registration information packets must include:

(a) Registration forms; and

(b) Registration assessment information, including registration due dates and late fees, and the collections procedures, liens, and charging costs to tenants.

(2) To apply for registration, the landlord of a manufactured/mobile home community must file with the department an application for registration on a form provided by the department and must pay a registration fee as described in subsection (3) of this section. The department may require the submission of information necessary to assist in identifying and locating a manufactured/mobile home community and other information that may be useful to the state, which must include, at a minimum:

(a) The names and addresses of the owners of the manufactured/mobile home community;

(b) The name and address of the manufactured/mobile home community;

(c) The name and address of the landlord and manager of the manufactured/mobile home community;

(d) The number of lots within the manufactured/mobile home community that are subject to chapter 59.20 RCW; and

(e) The addresses of each manufactured/mobile home lot within the manufactured/mobile home community that is subject to chapter 59.20 RCW.

(3) Each manufactured/mobile home community landlord shall pay to the department:

(a) A one-time master application fee for the first year of registration and, in subsequent years, an annual master renewal application fee, as provided in RCW 19.02.075; and

(b) An annual registration assessment of ten dollars for each manufactured/mobile home that is subject to chapter 59.20 RCW within a manufactured/mobile home community. Manufactured/mobile home community landlords may charge a maximum of five dollars of this assessment to tenants. Nine dollars of the registration assessment for each manufactured/mobile home shall be deposited into the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program account created in section 8 of this act to fund the costs associated with the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program. The remaining one dollar shall be deposited into the master license fund created in RCW 19.02.210. The annual registration assessment must be reviewed once each biennium by the department and the attorney general and may be adjusted to reasonably relate to the cost of administering this chapter. The registration assessment may not exceed ten dollars, but if the assessment is reduced, the portion allocated to the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program account and the master license fund shall be adjusted proportionately.

(4) Initial registrations of mobile/manufactured housing communities must be filed with the department before November 1, 2007, or within three months of the availability of mobile home lots for rent within the community. The manufactured/mobile home community is subject to a delinquency fee of two hundred fifty dollars for late initial registrations. The delinquency fee shall be deposited in the master license fund. Renewal registrations that are not renewed by the expiration date as assigned by the department are subject to delinquency fees under RCW 19.02.085.

(5) Thirty days after sending late fee notices to a noncomplying landlord, the department may refer the past due account to a collection agency. If there is no response from a noncomplying landlord after sixty days in collections, the department may file an action to enforce payment of unpaid registration assessments and late fees in the superior court for Thurston county or in the county in which the manufactured/mobile home community is located. If the department prevails, the manufactured/mobile home community landlord shall pay the department's costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, for the enforcement proceedings.

(6) Registration is effective on the date determined by the department, and the department shall issue a registration number to each registered manufactured/mobile home community. The department must provide an expiration date, assigned by the department, to each manufactured/mobile home community who registers.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 7.** The department must have the capability to compile, update, and maintain the most accurate database possible of all the manufactured/mobile home communities in the state, which must include all of the information collected under section 6 of this act, except for the addresses of each manufactured/mobile home lot within the manufactured/mobile home community that is subject to chapter 59.20 RCW, which must be made available to the attorney general and the department of community, trade, and economic development in a format to be determined by a collaborative agreement between the department of licensing and the attorney general.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 8.** The manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from sources directed to the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program must be deposited in the account. Expenditures from the account may be used only for the costs associated with administering the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program. Only the attorney general or the attorney general's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 9.** A new section is added to chapter 34.12 RCW to read as follows:

When requested by the attorney general, the chief administrative law judge shall assign an administrative law judge to conduct proceedings under Title 59 RCW.

**Sec. 10.** RCW 59.22.050 and 1991 c 327 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In order to provide general assistance to mobile home resident organizations, park owners, and landlords and tenants, the department ~~((shall establish an office of mobile home affairs which will serve as the coordinating office within state government for matters relating to mobile homes or manufactured housing.~~

~~—This office will provide an ombudsman service to mobile home park owners and mobile home tenants with respect to problems and disputes between park owners and park residents and to))~~ will provide technical assistance to resident organizations or persons in the process of forming a resident organization pursuant to chapter 59.22 RCW. The ~~((office))~~ department will keep records of its activities in this area.

(2) The ~~((office))~~ department shall perform all the consumer complaint and related functions of the state administrative agency that are required for purposes of complying with the regulations established by the federal department of housing and urban development for manufactured housing, including the preparation and submission of the state administrative plan.

(3) The ~~((office))~~ department shall administer the mobile home relocation assistance program established in chapter 59.21 RCW, including verifying the eligibility of tenants for relocation assistance.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 11.** Sections 1 through 8 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 59 RCW.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 12.** The attorney general may take the necessary steps to ensure that this act is implemented on its effective date."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "resolution;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 59.22.050; adding a new section to chapter 34.12 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 59 RCW; creating a new section; and prescribing penalties."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1461 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Morrell spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1461, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1461, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 94, Nays - 1, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 94.

Voting nay: Representative Dunn - 1.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1461, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 5, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1472, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that one in five of Washington's one and one-half million children are children of color. Broken out by racial groups, approximately six percent of children are Asian/Pacific Islander, six percent are multiracial, four



and one-half percent are African American, and two percent are Native American. Thirteen percent of Washington children are of Hispanic origin, but representation of this group increases in the lower age ranges. For example, seventeen percent of children birth to four years of age are Hispanic.

The legislature also finds that in counties such as Adams, Franklin, Yakima, and Grant, more than half of the births are of Hispanic origin. Three-quarters of the state's African American children and two-thirds of Asian/Pacific Islander children live in King and Pierce counties. The legislature finds further that despite some progress closing the achievement gap in recent years, children of color continue to lag behind their classmates on the Washington assessment of student learning. In 2005 children of color trailed in every category of the fourth-grade reading, writing, and math assessments. On the reading test alone, sixty-nine percent of African American students, sixty-four percent of native American students, and sixty-one percent of Hispanic students met the standards, compared with eighty-five percent of caucasian students. And, since 1993, the number of Washington students for which English is not their first language has doubled to more than seven percent of students statewide.

The legislature finds further that according to national research, African American children enter the child welfare system at far higher rates than caucasian children, despite no greater incidence of maltreatment in African American families compared to caucasian families. This trend holds true for Washington state, where African American children represent approximately nine and one-half percent of the children in out-of-home care even though they represent slightly more than four percent of the state's total child population. Native American children represent slightly over ten percent of the children in out-of-home care although they represent only two percent of the children in the state. In King county, African American and Native American children are over represented at nearly every decision point in the child welfare system. Although these two groups of children represent only eight percent of the child population in King county, they account for one-third of all children removed from their homes and one-half of children in foster care for more than four years.

The legislature finds also that children of immigrants are the fastest growing component of the United States' child population. While immigrants are eleven percent of the nation's total population, the children of immigrants make up twenty-two percent of the nation's children under six years of age. These immigrant children are twice as likely as native-born children to be poor.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** (1) The secretary of the department of social and health services shall convene an advisory committee to analyze and make recommendations on the disproportionate representation of children of color in Washington's child welfare system. The department shall collaborate with the Washington institute for public policy and private sector entities to develop a methodology for the advisory committee to follow in conducting a baseline analysis of data from the child welfare system to determine whether racial disproportionality and racial disparity exist in this system. The Washington institute for public policy shall serve as technical staff for the advisory committee. In determining whether racial disproportionality or racial disparity exists, the committee shall utilize existing research and evaluations conducted within Washington state, nationally, and in other states and localities that have similarly analyzed the prevalence of racial disproportionality and disparity in child welfare.

(2) At a minimum, the advisory committee shall examine and analyze: (a) The level of involvement of children of color at each stage in the state's child welfare system, including the points of entry and exit, and each point at which a treatment decision is made; (b) the number of children of color in low-income or single-parent families involved in the state's child welfare system; (c) the family structures of families involved in the state's child welfare system; and (d) the outcomes for children in the existing child welfare system. This analysis shall be disaggregated by racial and ethnic group, and by geographic region.

(3) The committee of not more than fifteen individuals shall consist of experts in social work, law, child welfare, psychology, or related fields, at least two tribal representatives, a representative of the governor's juvenile justice advisory committee, a representative of a community-based organization involved with child welfare issues, a representative of the department of social and health services, a current or former foster care youth, a current or former foster care parent, and a parent previously involved with Washington's child welfare system. Committee members shall be selected as follows: (a) Five members selected by the senate majority leader; (b) five members selected by the speaker of the house of representatives; and (c) five members selected by the secretary of the department of social and health services. The secretary, the senate majority leader, and the speaker of the house of representatives shall coordinate appointments to ensure the representation specified in this subsection is achieved. After the advisory committee appointments are finalized, the committee shall select two individuals to serve as cochairs of the committee, one of whom shall be a representative from a nongovernmental entity.

(4) The secretary shall make reasonable efforts to seek public and private funding for the advisory committee.

(5) Not later than June 1, 2008, the advisory committee created in subsection (1) of this section shall report to the secretary of the department of social and health services on the results of the analysis. If the results of the analysis indicate disproportionality or disparity exists for any racial or ethnic group in any region of the state, the committee, in conjunction with the secretary of the department of social and health services, shall develop a plan for remedying the disproportionality or disparity. The remediation plan shall include: (a) Recommendations for administrative and legislative actions related to appropriate programs and services to reduce and eliminate disparities in the system and improve the long-term outcomes for children of color who are served by the system; and (b) performance measures for implementing the remediation plan. To the extent possible and appropriate, the remediation plan shall be developed to integrate the recommendations required in this subsection with the department's existing compliance plans, training efforts, and other practice improvement and reform initiatives in progress. The advisory committee shall be responsible for ongoing evaluation of current and prospective policies and procedures for their contribution to or effect on racial disproportionality and disparity.

(6) Not later than December 1, 2008, the secretary shall report the results of the analysis conducted under subsection (2) of this section and shall describe the remediation plan required under subsection (5) of this section to the appropriate committees of the legislature with jurisdiction over policy and fiscal matters relating to children, families, and human services. Beginning January 1, 2010, the secretary shall report annually to the appropriate committees of the legislature on the implementation of the remediation plan, including any measurable progress made in reducing and eliminating racial disproportionality and disparity in the state's child welfare system.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** This act expires June 30, 2014."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "welfare;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "creating new sections; and providing an expiration date."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1472 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Pettigrew spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1472, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1472, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 94, Nays - 1, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 94.

Voting nay: Representative Anderson - 1.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1472, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1488, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that the state's oil spill prevention and response programs perform essential services in protecting the environment and natural resource economy of Washington. Due to increased demand for services, the legislature finds that these programs have been expanded several times in the twenty years since the funding mechanisms for these programs were authorized, but the funding mechanisms for these programs have remained unchanged. Without additional funding, these programs face a structural funding deficit beginning in the 2007-2009 biennium. The legislature further finds that the current source of funding for these programs is derived from only one segment of activities that present oil spill risks in the state, and that there is a need for a comprehensive assessment of the sources of oil spill risks and potential funding mechanisms by which all sectors that are a source of oil spill risks may contribute to ensuring adequate funding for programs that prevent as well as prepare for and respond to oil spills. (2) The legislature finds that the Strait of Juan de Fuca is a significant international avenue of waterborne commerce. Over five thousand transits by vessels greater than three hundred gross tons occur in the Strait each year. Reliable, safe vessel transits are vitally important to Washington state, the United States, and Canada. The legislature finds that comprehensive measures to prevent oil spills must be implemented in the Strait. The legislature further finds that stationing a response tug at the west entrance to the Strait is a critical component of such comprehensive measures, evidenced by the fact that the seasonal tug stationed at Neah Bay has conducted more than thirty assists since 1999. Because of the national significance of this waterway and the national interest in preventing oil spills there, the federal government should undertake to ensure that a year-round response tug is stationed at the west entrance to the Strait, either by providing sufficient federal funding for this purpose or to require through federal regulation that the commercial shipping interests benefiting from this service provide for a stationed tug. The legislature therefore directs the department of ecology to request that federal agencies with jurisdiction seek to require or fund the stationing of a response tug at such location, and seek reimbursement for the funding provided by the state for this purpose commencing with the fiscal year 2008 costs to the state.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** By September 1, 2008, the joint legislative audit and review committee shall examine the funding mechanism for the oil spill prevention and response programs. This study shall evaluate the state's oil spill prevention, preparedness, and response programs to compare the sources of oil spill risk with the funding mechanism. The study shall include:

(1) A review of existing oil spill risk evaluations and qualitative models, including:

(a) Evaluations or models for a risk evaluation framework, considering such factors as volume of oil, time at sea, proximity to water, organizational readiness, and damage done; and

(b) Evaluations or models for risk allocation, assessing how much of the risk goes with the product and how much with where and how the product is handled and who is handling it;

(2) A review of empirical data related to actual spill numbers, spill volumes, spill locations, and other circumstances related to individual spills;

(3) Comparisons of the risk allocation to the actual funding contributed by sector; and

(4) Options to allocate the state's costs to the major risk categories, by sector."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "program;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and creating new sections."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1488 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives B. Sullivan and Strow spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

Representative Orcutt spoke against the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1488, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1488, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 81, Nays - 14, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, O'Brien, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Santos, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 81.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Chandler, Crouse, DeBolt, Dunn, Ericksen, Hailey, Kretz, Newhouse, Orcutt, Ross, Schindler and Sump - 14.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1488, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 5, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1520, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 10.58 RCW to read as follows:

A law enforcement officer, prosecuting attorney, or other government official may not ask or require a victim of an alleged sex offense to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth telling device as a condition for proceeding with the investigation of the offense. The refusal of a victim to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth telling device shall not by itself prevent the investigation, charging, or prosecution of the offense. For the purposes of this section, "sex offense" is any offense under chapter 9A.44 RCW."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "victims;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and adding a new section to chapter 10.58 RCW."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1520 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Williams spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1520, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1520, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloschia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1520, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1569, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"Sec. 1.** RCW 70.47A.010 and 2006 c 255 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The legislature finds that many small employers struggle with the cost of providing employer-sponsored health insurance coverage to their employees, while others are unable to offer employer-sponsored health insurance due to its high cost. Low-wage workers also struggle with the burden of paying their share of the costs of employer-sponsored health insurance, while others turn down their employer's offer of coverage due to its costs.

(2) The legislature intends, through establishment of a ((small employer)) health insurance partnership program, to remove economic barriers to health insurance coverage for low-wage employees of small employers by building on the private sector health benefit plan system and encouraging employer and employee participation in employer-sponsored health benefit plan coverage.

**Sec. 2.** RCW 70.47A.020 and 2006 c 255 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

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

(1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the Washington state health care authority, established under chapter 41.05 RCW.

(2) "Board" means the health insurance partnership board established in section 4 of this act.

(3) "Eligible ((employee)) partnership participant" means an individual who:

(a) Is a resident of the state of Washington;

(b) Has family income (~~less than~~) that does not exceed two hundred percent of the federal poverty level, as determined annually by the federal department of health and human services; and

(c) Is employed by a participating small employer or is a former employee of a participating small employer who chooses to continue receiving coverage through the partnership following separation from employment.

~~((3))~~ (4) "Health benefit plan" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 48.43.005 ~~((or any plan provided by a self-funded multiple employer welfare arrangement as defined in RCW 48.125.010 or by another benefit arrangement defined in the federal employee retirement income security act of 1974, as amended))~~.

~~((4))~~ "Program" (5) "Participating small employer" means a small employer that employs at least one eligible partnership participant and has entered into an agreement with the partnership for the partnership to offer and administer the small employer's group health benefit plan, as defined in federal law, Sec. 706 of ERISA (29 U.S.C. Sec. 1167), for enrollees in the plan.

(6) "Partnership" means the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)) established in RCW 70.47A.030.

~~((5))~~ (7) "Partnership participant" means an employee of a participating small employer, or a former employee of a participating small employer who chooses to continue receiving coverage through the partnership following separation from employment.

(8) "Small employer" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 48.43.005.

~~((6))~~ (9) "Subsidy" or "premium subsidy" means payment or reimbursement to an eligible ((employee)) partnership participant toward the purchase of a health benefit plan, and may include a net billing arrangement with insurance carriers or a prospective or retrospective payment for health benefit plan premiums.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 70.47A.030 and 2006 c 255 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) To the extent funding is appropriated in the operating budget for this purpose, the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)) is established. The administrator shall be responsible for the implementation and operation of the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)), directly or by contract. The administrator shall offer premium subsidies to eligible ((employees)) partnership participants under RCW 70.47A.040.

(2) Consistent with policies adopted by the board under section 4 of this act, the administrator shall, directly or by contract:

(a) Establish and administer procedures for enrolling small employers in the partnership, including publicizing the existence of the partnership and disseminating information on enrollment, and establishing rules related to minimum participation of employees in small groups purchasing health insurance through the partnership. Opportunities to publicize the program for outreach and education of small employers on the value of insurance shall explore the use of online employer guides. As a condition of participating in the partnership, a small employer must agree to establish a cafeteria plan under section 125 of the federal internal revenue code that will enable employees to use pretax dollars to pay their share of their health benefit plan premium. The partnership shall provide technical assistance to small employers for this purpose;

(b) Establish and administer procedures for health benefit plan enrollment by employees of small employers during open enrollment periods and outside of open enrollment periods upon the occurrence of any qualifying event specified in the federal health insurance portability and accountability act of 1996 or applicable state law.

Neither the employer nor the partnership shall limit an employee's choice of coverage from among all the health benefit plans offered:

(c) Establish and manage a system for the partnership to be designated as the sponsor or administrator of a participating small employer health benefit plan and to undertake the obligations required of a plan administrator under federal law;

(d) Establish and manage a system of collecting and transmitting to the applicable carriers all premium payments or contributions made by or on behalf of partnership participants, including employer contributions, automatic payroll deductions for partnership participants, premium subsidy payments, and contributions from philanthropies;

(e) Establish and manage a system for determining eligibility for and making premium subsidy payments under this act;

(f) Establish a mechanism to apply a surcharge to all health benefit plans, which shall be used only to pay for administrative and operational expenses of the partnership. The surcharge must be applied uniformly to all health benefit plans offered through the partnership and must be included in the premium for each health benefit plan. Surcharges may not be used to pay any premium assistance payments under this chapter;

(g) Design a schedule of premium subsidies that is based upon gross family income, giving appropriate consideration to family size and the ages of all family members based on a benchmark health benefit plan designated by the board. The amount of an eligible partnership participant's premium subsidy shall be determined by applying a sliding scale subsidy schedule with the percentage of premium similar to that developed for subsidized basic health plan enrollees under RCW 70.47.060. The subsidy shall be applied to the employee's premium obligation for his or her health benefit plan, so that employees benefit financially from any employer contribution to the cost of their coverage through the partnership. Employees shall not be eligible for premium assistance if they have immediately transitioned from employer-sponsored insurance, until they have fulfilled a six-month waiting period. During that time, the employee may participate in the program but not receive state-sponsored premium assistance.

(3) The administrator may enter into interdepartmental agreements with the office of the insurance commissioner, the department of social and health services, and any other state agencies necessary to implement this chapter.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 70.47A RCW to read as follows:

(1) The health insurance partnership board is hereby established. The governor shall appoint a seven-member health insurance partnership board by June 30, 2007. The board shall be composed of persons with expertise in the health insurance market and benefit design, and be chaired by the administrator.

(2) The governor shall appoint the initial members of the board to staggered terms not to exceed four years. Initial appointments shall be made on or before June 1, 2007. Members appointed thereafter shall serve two-year terms. Members of the board shall be compensated in accordance with RCW 43.03.250 and shall be reimbursed for their travel expenses while on official business in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. The board shall prescribe rules for the conduct of its business. Meetings of the board shall be at the call of the chair.

(3) The board may establish technical advisory committees or seek the advice of technical experts when necessary to execute the powers and duties included in this section.

(4) The board and employees of the board shall not be civilly or criminally liable and shall not have any penalty or cause of action of any nature arise against them for any action taken or not taken, including any discretionary decision or failure to make a discretionary decision, when the action or inaction is done in good faith and in the performance of the powers and duties under this chapter. Nothing in this section prohibits legal actions against the board to enforce the board's statutory or contractual duties or obligations.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 70.47A RCW to read as follows:

(1) The health insurance partnership board shall:

(a) Develop policies for enrollment of small employers in the partnership, including minimum participation rules for small employer groups. The small employer shall determine the criteria for eligibility and enrollment in his or her plan and the terms and amounts of the employer's contributions to that plan, consistent with any minimum employer premium contribution level established by the board under (d) of this subsection;

(b) Designate health benefit plans that are currently offered in the small group market that will qualify for premium subsidy payments. At least four health benefit plans shall be chosen, with multiple deductible and point-of-service cost-sharing options. The health benefit plans shall range from catastrophic to comprehensive coverage, and one health benefit plan shall be a high deductible health plan. Every effort shall be made to include health benefit plans that include components to maximize the quality of care provided and result in improved health outcomes, such as preventive care, wellness incentives, chronic care management services, and provider network development and payment policies related to quality of care;

(c) Approve a mid-range benefit plan from those selected to be used as a benchmark plan for calculating premium subsidies;

(d) Determine whether there should be a minimum employer premium contribution on behalf of employees, and if so, how much;

(e) Determine appropriate health benefit plan rating methodologies. The methodologies shall be based on the small group adjusted community rate as defined in Title 48 RCW. The board shall evaluate the impact of applying the small group community rating with the partnership principle of allowing each employee to choose their health benefit plan, and consider options to reduce uncertainty for carriers and provide for efficient risk management of high-cost enrollees through risk adjustment, reinsurance, or other mechanisms;

(f) Conduct analyses and provide recommendations as requested by the legislature and the governor, with the assistance of staff from the health care authority and the office of the insurance commissioner.

(2) The board may authorize one or more limited health care service plans for dental care services to be offered by limited health care service contractors under RCW 48.44.035. However, such plan shall not qualify for subsidy payments.

(3) In fulfilling the requirements of this section, the board shall consult with small employers, the office of the insurance commissioner, members in good standing of the American academy of actuaries, health carriers, agents and brokers, and employees of small business.

**Sec. 6.** RCW 70.47A.040 and 2006 c 255 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

~~((+))~~ Beginning ~~((July 1, 2007))~~ September 1, 2008, the administrator shall accept applications from eligible ~~((employees))~~

partnership participants, on behalf of themselves, their spouses, and their dependent children, to receive premium subsidies through the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)).

~~((2) Premium subsidy payments may be provided to eligible employees if:~~

~~— (a) The eligible employee is employed by a small employer;~~

~~— (b) The actuarial value of the health benefit plan offered by the small employer is at least equivalent to that of the basic health plan benefit offered under chapter 70.47 RCW. The office of the insurance commissioner under Title 48 RCW shall certify those small employer health benefit plans that are at least actuarially equivalent to the basic health plan benefit; and~~

~~— (c) The small employer will pay at least forty percent of the monthly premium cost for health benefit plan coverage of the eligible employee.~~

~~— (3) The amount of an eligible employee's premium subsidy shall be determined by applying the sliding scale subsidy schedule developed for subsidized basic health plan enrollees under RCW 70.47.060 to the employee's premium obligation for his or her employer's health benefit plan.~~

~~— (4) After an eligible individual has enrolled in the program, the program shall issue subsidies in an amount determined pursuant to subsection (3) of this section to either the eligible employee or to the carrier designated by the eligible employee.~~

~~— (5) An eligible employee must agree to provide verification of continued enrollment in his or her small employer's health benefit plan on a semiannual basis or to notify the administrator whenever his or her enrollment status changes, whichever is earlier. Verification or notification may be made directly by the employee, or through his or her employer or the carrier providing the small employer health benefit plan. When necessary, the administrator has the authority to perform retrospective audits on premium subsidy accounts. The administrator may suspend or terminate an employee's participation in the program and seek repayment of any subsidy amounts paid due to the omission or misrepresentation of an applicant or enrolled employee. The administrator shall adopt rules to define the appropriate application of these sanctions and the processes to implement the sanctions provided in this subsection; within available resources.))~~

**Sec. 7.** RCW 48.21.045 and 2004 c 244 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) An insurer offering any health benefit plan to a small employer, either directly or through an association or member-governed group formed specifically for the purpose of purchasing health care, may offer and actively market to the small employer a health benefit plan featuring a limited schedule of covered health care services. Nothing in this subsection shall preclude an insurer from offering, or a small employer from purchasing, other health benefit plans that may have more comprehensive benefits than those included in the product offered under this subsection. An insurer offering a health benefit plan under this subsection shall clearly disclose all covered benefits to the small employer in a brochure filed with the commissioner.

(b) A health benefit plan offered under this subsection shall provide coverage for hospital expenses and services rendered by a physician licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW but is not subject to the requirements of RCW 48.21.130, 48.21.140, 48.21.141, 48.21.142, 48.21.144, 48.21.146, 48.21.160 through 48.21.197, 48.21.200, 48.21.220, 48.21.225, 48.21.230, 48.21.235, 48.21.240, 48.21.244, 48.21.250, 48.21.300, 48.21.310, or 48.21.320.

(2) Nothing in this section shall prohibit an insurer from offering, or a purchaser from seeking, health benefit plans with benefits in excess of the health benefit plan offered under subsection (1) of this section. All forms, policies, and contracts shall be submitted for approval to the commissioner, and the rates of any plan offered under this section shall be reasonable in relation to the benefits thereto.

(3) Premium rates for health benefit plans for small employers as defined in this section shall be subject to the following provisions:

(a) The insurer shall develop its rates based on an adjusted community rate and may only vary the adjusted community rate for:

- (i) Geographic area;
- (ii) Family size;
- (iii) Age; and
- (iv) Wellness activities.

(b) The adjustment for age in (a)(iii) of this subsection may not use age brackets smaller than five-year increments, which shall begin with age twenty and end with age sixty-five. Employees under the age of twenty shall be treated as those age twenty.

(c) The insurer shall be permitted to develop separate rates for individuals age sixty-five or older for coverage for which medicare is the primary payer and coverage for which medicare is not the primary payer. Both rates shall be subject to the requirements of this subsection (3).

(d) The permitted rates for any age group shall be no more than four hundred twenty-five percent of the lowest rate for all age groups on January 1, 1996, four hundred percent on January 1, 1997, and three hundred seventy-five percent on January 1, 2000, and thereafter.

(e) A discount for wellness activities shall be permitted to reflect actuarially justified differences in utilization or cost attributed to such programs.

(f) The rate charged for a health benefit plan offered under this section may not be adjusted more frequently than annually except that the premium may be changed to reflect:

- (i) Changes to the enrollment of the small employer;
- (ii) Changes to the family composition of the employee;
- (iii) Changes to the health benefit plan requested by the small employer; or
- (iv) Changes in government requirements affecting the health benefit plan.

(g) Rating factors shall produce premiums for identical groups that differ only by the amounts attributable to plan design, with the exception of discounts for health improvement programs.

(h) For the purposes of this section, a health benefit plan that contains a restricted network provision shall not be considered similar coverage to a health benefit plan that does not contain such a provision, provided that the restrictions of benefits to network providers result in substantial differences in claims costs. A carrier may develop its rates based on claims costs due to network provider reimbursement schedules or type of network. This subsection does not restrict or enhance the portability of benefits as provided in RCW 48.43.015.

(i) Adjusted community rates established under this section shall pool the medical experience of all small groups purchasing coverage, including the small group participants in the health insurance partnership established in RCW 70.47A.030. However, annual rate adjustments for each small group health benefit plan may vary by up to plus or minus four percentage points from the overall adjustment of a carrier's entire small group pool, such overall adjustment to be approved by the commissioner, upon a showing by the carrier, certified by a member of the American academy of actuaries that: (i)

The variation is a result of deductible leverage, benefit design, or provider network characteristics; and (ii) for a rate renewal period, the projected weighted average of all small group benefit plans will have a revenue neutral effect on the carrier's small group pool. Variations of greater than four percentage points are subject to review by the commissioner, and must be approved or denied within sixty days of submittal. A variation that is not denied within sixty days shall be deemed approved. The commissioner must provide to the carrier a detailed actuarial justification for any denial within thirty days of the denial.

(4) Nothing in this section shall restrict the right of employees to collectively bargain for insurance providing benefits in excess of those provided herein.

(5)(a) Except as provided in this subsection, requirements used by an insurer in determining whether to provide coverage to a small employer shall be applied uniformly among all small employers applying for coverage or receiving coverage from the carrier.

(b) An insurer shall not require a minimum participation level greater than:

(i) One hundred percent of eligible employees working for groups with three or less employees; and

(ii) Seventy-five percent of eligible employees working for groups with more than three employees.

(c) In applying minimum participation requirements with respect to a small employer, a small employer shall not consider employees or dependents who have similar existing coverage in determining whether the applicable percentage of participation is met.

(d) An insurer may not increase any requirement for minimum employee participation or modify any requirement for minimum employer contribution applicable to a small employer at any time after the small employer has been accepted for coverage.

(6) An insurer must offer coverage to all eligible employees of a small employer and their dependents. An insurer may not offer coverage to only certain individuals or dependents in a small employer group or to only part of the group. An insurer may not modify a health plan with respect to a small employer or any eligible employee or dependent, through riders, endorsements or otherwise, to restrict or exclude coverage or benefits for specific diseases, medical conditions, or services otherwise covered by the plan.

(7) As used in this section, "health benefit plan," "small employer," "adjusted community rate," and "wellness activities" mean the same as defined in RCW 48.43.005.

**Sec. 8.** RCW 48.44.023 and 2004 c 244 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) A health care services contractor offering any health benefit plan to a small employer, either directly or through an association or member-governed group formed specifically for the purpose of purchasing health care, may offer and actively market to the small employer a health benefit plan featuring a limited schedule of covered health care services. Nothing in this subsection shall preclude a contractor from offering, or a small employer from purchasing, other health benefit plans that may have more comprehensive benefits than those included in the product offered under this subsection. A contractor offering a health benefit plan under this subsection shall clearly disclose all covered benefits to the small employer in a brochure filed with the commissioner.

(b) A health benefit plan offered under this subsection shall provide coverage for hospital expenses and services rendered by a physician licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW but is not subject to the requirements of RCW 48.44.225, 48.44.240, 48.44.245, 48.44.290, 48.44.300, 48.44.310, 48.44.320, 48.44.325,

48.44.330, 48.44.335, 48.44.340, 48.44.344, 48.44.360, 48.44.400, 48.44.440, 48.44.450, and 48.44.460.

(2) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a health care service contractor from offering, or a purchaser from seeking, health benefit plans with benefits in excess of the health benefit plan offered under subsection (1) of this section. All forms, policies, and contracts shall be submitted for approval to the commissioner, and the rates of any plan offered under this section shall be reasonable in relation to the benefits thereto.

(3) Premium rates for health benefit plans for small employers as defined in this section shall be subject to the following provisions:

(a) The contractor shall develop its rates based on an adjusted community rate and may only vary the adjusted community rate for:

(i) Geographic area;

(ii) Family size;

(iii) Age; and

(iv) Wellness activities.

(b) The adjustment for age in (a)(iii) of this subsection may not use age brackets smaller than five-year increments, which shall begin with age twenty and end with age sixty-five. Employees under the age of twenty shall be treated as those age twenty.

(c) The contractor shall be permitted to develop separate rates for individuals age sixty-five or older for coverage for which medicare is the primary payer and coverage for which medicare is not the primary payer. Both rates shall be subject to the requirements of this subsection (3).

(d) The permitted rates for any age group shall be no more than four hundred twenty-five percent of the lowest rate for all age groups on January 1, 1996, four hundred percent on January 1, 1997, and three hundred seventy-five percent on January 1, 2000, and thereafter.

(e) A discount for wellness activities shall be permitted to reflect actuarially justified differences in utilization or cost attributed to such programs.

(f) The rate charged for a health benefit plan offered under this section may not be adjusted more frequently than annually except that the premium may be changed to reflect:

(i) Changes to the enrollment of the small employer;

(ii) Changes to the family composition of the employee;

(iii) Changes to the health benefit plan requested by the small employer; or

(iv) Changes in government requirements affecting the health benefit plan.

(g) Rating factors shall produce premiums for identical groups that differ only by the amounts attributable to plan design, with the exception of discounts for health improvement programs.

(h) For the purposes of this section, a health benefit plan that contains a restricted network provision shall not be considered similar coverage to a health benefit plan that does not contain such a provision, provided that the restrictions of benefits to network providers result in substantial differences in claims costs. A carrier may develop its rates based on claims costs due to network provider reimbursement schedules or type of network. This subsection does not restrict or enhance the portability of benefits as provided in RCW 48.43.015.

(i) Adjusted community rates established under this section shall pool the medical experience of all groups purchasing coverage, including the small group participants in the health insurance partnership established in RCW 70.47A.030. However, annual rate adjustments for each small group health benefit plan may vary by up to plus or minus four percentage points from the overall adjustment of a carrier's entire small group pool, such overall adjustment to be

approved by the commissioner, upon a showing by the carrier, certified by a member of the American academy of actuaries that: (i) The variation is a result of deductible leverage, benefit design, or provider network characteristics; and (ii) for a rate renewal period, the projected weighted average of all small group benefit plans will have a revenue neutral effect on the carrier's small group pool. Variations of greater than four percentage points are subject to review by the commissioner, and must be approved or denied within sixty days of submittal. A variation that is not denied within sixty days shall be deemed approved. The commissioner must provide to the carrier a detailed actuarial justification for any denial within thirty days of the denial.

(4) Nothing in this section shall restrict the right of employees to collectively bargain for insurance providing benefits in excess of those provided herein.

(5)(a) Except as provided in this subsection, requirements used by a contractor in determining whether to provide coverage to a small employer shall be applied uniformly among all small employers applying for coverage or receiving coverage from the carrier.

(b) A contractor shall not require a minimum participation level greater than:

(i) One hundred percent of eligible employees working for groups with three or less employees; and

(ii) Seventy-five percent of eligible employees working for groups with more than three employees.

(c) In applying minimum participation requirements with respect to a small employer, a small employer shall not consider employees or dependents who have similar existing coverage in determining whether the applicable percentage of participation is met.

(d) A contractor may not increase any requirement for minimum employee participation or modify any requirement for minimum employer contribution applicable to a small employer at any time after the small employer has been accepted for coverage.

(6) A contractor must offer coverage to all eligible employees of a small employer and their dependents. A contractor may not offer coverage to only certain individuals or dependents in a small employer group or to only part of the group. A contractor may not modify a health plan with respect to a small employer or any eligible employee or dependent, through riders, endorsements or otherwise, to restrict or exclude coverage or benefits for specific diseases, medical conditions, or services otherwise covered by the plan.

**Sec. 9.** RCW 48.46.066 and 2004 c 244 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) A health maintenance organization offering any health benefit plan to a small employer, either directly or through an association or member-governed group formed specifically for the purpose of purchasing health care, may offer and actively market to the small employer a health benefit plan featuring a limited schedule of covered health care services. Nothing in this subsection shall preclude a health maintenance organization from offering, or a small employer from purchasing, other health benefit plans that may have more comprehensive benefits than those included in the product offered under this subsection. A health maintenance organization offering a health benefit plan under this subsection shall clearly disclose all the covered benefits to the small employer in a brochure filed with the commissioner.

(b) A health benefit plan offered under this subsection shall provide coverage for hospital expenses and services rendered by a physician licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW but is not subject to the requirements of RCW 48.46.275, 48.46.280,

48.46.285, 48.46.290, 48.46.350, 48.46.355, 48.46.375, 48.46.440, 48.46.480, 48.46.510, 48.46.520, and 48.46.530.

(2) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a health maintenance organization from offering, or a purchaser from seeking, health benefit plans with benefits in excess of the health benefit plan offered under subsection (1) of this section. All forms, policies, and contracts shall be submitted for approval to the commissioner, and the rates of any plan offered under this section shall be reasonable in relation to the benefits thereto.

(3) Premium rates for health benefit plans for small employers as defined in this section shall be subject to the following provisions:

(a) The health maintenance organization shall develop its rates based on an adjusted community rate and may only vary the adjusted community rate for:

(i) Geographic area;

(ii) Family size;

(iii) Age; and

(iv) Wellness activities.

(b) The adjustment for age in (a)(iii) of this subsection may not use age brackets smaller than five-year increments, which shall begin with age twenty and end with age sixty-five. Employees under the age of twenty shall be treated as those age twenty.

(c) The health maintenance organization shall be permitted to develop separate rates for individuals age sixty-five or older for coverage for which medicare is the primary payer and coverage for which medicare is not the primary payer. Both rates shall be subject to the requirements of this subsection (3).

(d) The permitted rates for any age group shall be no more than four hundred twenty-five percent of the lowest rate for all age groups on January 1, 1996, four hundred percent on January 1, 1997, and three hundred seventy-five percent on January 1, 2000, and thereafter.

(e) A discount for wellness activities shall be permitted to reflect actuarially justified differences in utilization or cost attributed to such programs.

(f) The rate charged for a health benefit plan offered under this section may not be adjusted more frequently than annually except that the premium may be changed to reflect:

(i) Changes to the enrollment of the small employer;

(ii) Changes to the family composition of the employee;

(iii) Changes to the health benefit plan requested by the small employer; or

(iv) Changes in government requirements affecting the health benefit plan.

(g) Rating factors shall produce premiums for identical groups that differ only by the amounts attributable to plan design, with the exception of discounts for health improvement programs.

(h) For the purposes of this section, a health benefit plan that contains a restricted network provision shall not be considered similar coverage to a health benefit plan that does not contain such a provision, provided that the restrictions of benefits to network providers result in substantial differences in claims costs. A carrier may develop its rates based on claims costs due to network provider reimbursement schedules or type of network. This subsection does not restrict or enhance the portability of benefits as provided in RCW 48.43.015.

(i) Adjusted community rates established under this section shall pool the medical experience of all groups purchasing coverage, including the small group participants in the health insurance partnership established in RCW 70.47A.030. However, annual rate adjustments for each small group health benefit plan may vary by up to plus or minus four percentage points from the overall adjustment



of a carrier's entire small group pool, such overall adjustment to be approved by the commissioner, upon a showing by the carrier, certified by a member of the American academy of actuaries that: (i) The variation is a result of deductible leverage, benefit design, or provider network characteristics; and (ii) for a rate renewal period, the projected weighted average of all small group benefit plans will have a revenue neutral effect on the carrier's small group pool. Variations of greater than four percentage points are subject to review by the commissioner, and must be approved or denied within sixty days of submittal. A variation that is not denied within sixty days shall be deemed approved. The commissioner must provide to the carrier a detailed actuarial justification for any denial within thirty days of the denial.

(4) Nothing in this section shall restrict the right of employees to collectively bargain for insurance providing benefits in excess of those provided herein.

(5)(a) Except as provided in this subsection, requirements used by a health maintenance organization in determining whether to provide coverage to a small employer shall be applied uniformly among all small employers applying for coverage or receiving coverage from the carrier.

(b) A health maintenance organization shall not require a minimum participation level greater than:

- (i) One hundred percent of eligible employees working for groups with three or less employees; and
- (ii) Seventy-five percent of eligible employees working for groups with more than three employees.

(c) In applying minimum participation requirements with respect to a small employer, a small employer shall not consider employees or dependents who have similar existing coverage in determining whether the applicable percentage of participation is met.

(d) A health maintenance organization may not increase any requirement for minimum employee participation or modify any requirement for minimum employer contribution applicable to a small employer at any time after the small employer has been accepted for coverage.

(6) A health maintenance organization must offer coverage to all eligible employees of a small employer and their dependents. A health maintenance organization may not offer coverage to only certain individuals or dependents in a small employer group or to only part of the group. A health maintenance organization may not modify a health plan with respect to a small employer or any eligible employee or dependent, through riders, endorsements or otherwise, to restrict or exclude coverage or benefits for specific diseases, medical conditions, or services otherwise covered by the plan.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 10.** On or before December 1, 2008, the health insurance partnership board shall submit a preliminary report to the governor and the legislature that includes an implementation plan to incorporate the individual and small group health insurance markets into the partnership program. In preparing the report, the board shall examine at least the following issues:

- (1) The impact of these markets being incorporated into the partnership, with respect to the utilization of services and cost of health plans offered through the partnership;
- (2) The impact of applying small group health benefit plan regulations on access to health services and the cost of coverage for these markets; and
- (3) How the composition of the board should be modified to reflect the incorporation of the individual and small group markets in the partnership.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 11.** On or before September 1, 2009, the health insurance partnership board shall submit a report and recommendations to the governor and the legislature regarding:

(1) The risks and benefits of additional markets participating in the partnership:

- (a) The report shall examine the following markets:
  - (i) Washington state health insurance pool under chapter 48.41 RCW;
  - (ii) Basic health plan under chapter 70.47 RCW;
  - (iii) Public employees' benefits board enrollees under chapter 41.05 RCW;
  - (iv) Public school employees; and
  - (v) Any final recommendations for the individual and small group markets, relevant to the study outlined in section 10 of this act; and

(b) The report shall examine at least the following issues:
 

- (i) The impact of these markets participating in the partnership, with respect to the utilization of services and cost of health plans offered through the partnership;

(ii) Whether any distinction should be made in participation between active and retired employees enrolled in public employees' benefits board plans, giving consideration to the implicit subsidy that nonmedicare-eligible retirees currently benefit from by being pooled with active employees, and how medicare-eligible retirees would be affected;

(iii) The impact of applying small group health benefit plan regulations on access to health services and the cost of coverage for these markets; and

(iv) If the board recommends the inclusion of additional markets, how the composition of the board should be modified to reflect the participation of these markets; and

(2) The risks and benefits of establishing a requirement that residents of the state of Washington age eighteen and over obtain and maintain affordable creditable coverage, as defined in the federal health insurance portability and accountability act of 1996 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 300gg(c)). The report shall address the question of how a requirement that residents maintain coverage could be enforced in the state of Washington.

**Sec. 12.** RCW 70.47A.050 and 2006 c 255 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

Enrollment in the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)) is not an entitlement and shall not result in expenditures that exceed the amount that has been appropriated for the program in the operating budget. If it appears that continued enrollment will result in expenditures exceeding the appropriated level for a particular fiscal year, the administrator may freeze new enrollment in the program and establish a waiting list of eligible employees who shall receive subsidies only when sufficient funds are available.

**Sec. 13.** RCW 70.47A.060 and 2006 c 255 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

The administrator shall adopt all rules necessary for the implementation and operation of the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)). As part of the rule development process, the administrator shall consult with small employers, carriers, employee organizations, and the office of the insurance commissioner under Title 48 RCW to determine an effective and efficient method for the payment of subsidies under this chapter. All rules shall be adopted in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW.

**Sec. 14.** RCW 70.47A.080 and 2006 c 255 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:

The ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)) account is hereby established in the custody of the state treasurer. Any nongeneral fund--state funds collected for the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)) shall be deposited in the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)) account. Moneys in the account shall be used exclusively for the purposes of administering the ((small employer)) health insurance partnership ((program)), including payments to ((participating managed health care systems)) insurance carriers on behalf of ((small employer)) health insurance partnership enrollees. Only the administrator of the health care authority or his or her designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 15.** (1) The office of the insurance commissioner shall contract for an independent study of health benefit mandates, rating requirements, and insurance statutes and rules to determine the impact on premiums and individuals' health if those statutes or rules were amended or repealed.

(2) The office of the insurance commissioner shall submit an interim report to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007, and a final report by December 1, 2008.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 16.** 2006 c 255 s 10 (uncodified) is repealed.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 17.** Sections 1 through 6 of this act are necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and take effect July 1, 2007.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 18.** If specific funding for the purposes of the following sections of this act, referencing the section of this act by bill or chapter number and section number, is not provided by June 30, 2007, in the omnibus appropriations act, the section is null and void:

- (1) Section 5 (health insurance partnership board);
- (2) Section 15 (office of insurance commissioner independent study)."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "Relating to" strike the remainder of the title and insert "improving health insurance coverage by establishing a health insurance partnership for the purchase of small employer health insurance coverage, evaluating the inclusion of additional health insurance markets in the health insurance partnership, and studying the impact of health insurance mandates; amending RCW 70.47A.010, 70.47A.020, 70.47A.030, 70.47A.040, 48.21.045, 48.44.023, 48.46.066, 70.47A.050, 70.47A.060, and 70.47A.080; adding new sections to chapter 70.47A RCW; creating new sections; repealing 2006 c 255 s 10 (uncodified); providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1569 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Cody spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

Representative Buri spoke against the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1569, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1569, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 61, Nays - 34, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Appleton, Barlow, Blake, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Conway, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Kagi, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McDermott, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, O'Brien, Ormsby, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Quall, Roberts, Rolfes, Santos, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Sommers, Springer, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 61.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Armstrong, Bailey, Buri, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, DeBolt, Dunn, Ericksen, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hurst, Jarrett, Kelley, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, McDonald, Newhouse, Orcutt, Pearson, Priest, Roach, Rodne, Ross, Schindler, Skinner, Strow, Sump and Walsh - 34.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1569, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1644, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. 2006 c 308 s 1 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

Part-time academic employees at community and technical colleges are currently eligible for full health care benefits beginning the second consecutive quarter of employment, at half-time or more of an academic workload, as defined in RCW 28B.50.489. They are also eligible for health benefits through the summer even if they receive no work at all that quarter, if they have worked half-time or more of an academic workload in each of the three (~~of the four~~) preceding quarters. However, workload fluctuations below these thresholds may result in the loss of employer contributions for health care benefits. It is the intent of the legislature to provide for continuous health care eligibility for part-time academic employees based on averaging workload gained during the two preceding academic years.

Sec. 2. RCW 41.05.053 and 2006 c 308 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Part-time academic employees, as defined in RCW 28B.50.489, who have established eligibility as determined from the payroll records of the employing community or technical college districts, for employer contributions for benefits under this chapter and who have worked an average of half-time or more in each of the two preceding academic years, through employment at one or more community or technical college districts, are eligible for continuation of employer contributions for the subsequent summer quarter period including the break between summer and fall quarters.

(2) Once a part-time academic employee meets the criteria in subsection (1) of this section, the employee shall continue to receive uninterrupted employer contributions for benefits if the employee works at least (~~three of the four~~) two quarters of the academic year with an average academic workload of half-time or more for three quarters of the academic year. Benefits provided under this section cease (~~at the end of the academic year~~) if this criteria is not met. Continuous benefits shall be reinstated once the employee reestablishes eligibility under subsection (1) of this section (~~and will be maintained as long as the employee works at least three of the four quarters of the academic year with an average academic workload of half-time or more~~).

(3) As used in this section, "academic year" means summer, fall, winter, and spring quarters.

(4) This section does not modify rules in existence on June 7, 2006, adopted under this chapter regarding the initial establishment of eligibility for benefits.

(5) This section does not preclude individuals from being eligible for benefits under other laws or rules that may apply or for which they may be eligible.

(6) The employer must notify part-time academic employees of their potential right to benefits under this section.

(7) To be eligible for maintenance of benefits through averaging, part-time academic employees must notify their employers of their potential eligibility. The state board for community and technical colleges shall report back to the legislature by November 15, 2009, on the feasibility of eliminating the self-reporting requirement for employees."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "colleges;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 41.05.053; and amending 2006 c 308 s 1 (uncodified)."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

## SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1644 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

## FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Kenney spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1644, as amended by the Senate.

## ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1644, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1644, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 13, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1859, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 40.04.031 and 2006 c 46 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

The statute law committee, after each legislative session, shall distribute, sell, or exchange session laws as required under this section.

(1) One set shall be given to the following: The United States supreme court library; each state adult correctional institution; each state mental institution; the state historical society; the state bar association; the Olympia press corps library; the University of Washington library; the library of each of the regional universities; The Evergreen State College library; the Washington State University library; each county law library; and the municipal reference branch of the Seattle public library.

(2) One set shall be given to the following upon their request: Each member of the legislature; each state agency and its divisions; each state commission, committee, board, and council; each community college; each assistant attorney general; each member of the United States senate and house of representatives from this state; each state official whose office is created by the Constitution; each prosecuting attorney; and each public library in cities of the first class.

(3) Two sets shall be given to the following: The administrator for the courts; the library of congress; the law libraries of any accredited law schools established in this state; and the governor.

(4) Two sets shall be given to the following upon their request: Each United States district court in the state; and each office and branch office of the United States district attorneys in this state.

(5) Three sets shall be given to the library of the circuit court of appeals of the ninth circuit, upon its request.

(6) The following may request, and receive at no charge, as many sets as are needed for their official business: The senate and house of representatives; each county auditor, who shall receive and distribute sets for use by his or her county's officials; the office of the code reviser; the secretary of the senate; the chief clerk of the house of representatives; the supreme court; each court of appeals in the state; the superior courts; the state library; and the state law library.

(7) Surplus copies of the session laws shall be sold and delivered by the statute law committee, in which case the price of the bound volumes shall be sufficient to cover costs. All money received from the sale of the session law sets shall be paid into the ~~((state treasury for the general fund))~~ statute law committee publications account.

(8) The statute law committee may exchange session law sets for similar laws or legal materials of other states, territories, and governments, and make such other distribution of the sets as in its judgment seems proper.

**Sec. 2.** RCW 1.08.110 and 1977 ex.s. c 240 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

The statute law committee, in addition to the other responsibilities enumerated in this chapter, shall ~~((cause to be))~~ publish~~((ed))~~, the Washington State Register as created in RCW 34.08.020. The statute law committee ~~((and/or))~~ or the code reviser may adopt ~~((such))~~ rules as are necessary for the effective operation of ~~((such))~~ this service. The statute law committee, in its discretion, may publish the Washington State Register exclusively by electronic means on the code reviser web site if it determines that public access to the Washington State Register is not substantially diminished. If the statute law committee publishes the Washington State Register exclusively by electronic means on the code reviser web site, the electronic copy posted on the code reviser web site shall be considered the official copy of the Washington State Register.

The code reviser shall provide a paper copy of any issue of the register or any register filing upon request. The code reviser may charge a reasonable fee for printing and mailing the paper copy.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 34.05.210 and 1988 c 288 s 201 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The code reviser shall cause the Washington Administrative Code to be compiled, indexed by subject, and published. All current, permanently effective rules of each agency shall be published in the Washington Administrative Code. Compilations shall be supplemented or revised as often as necessary and at least annually in a form compatible with the main compilation.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this chapter, the code reviser shall prescribe a uniform numbering system, form, and style for all proposed and adopted rules.

(3) The code reviser shall publish a register setting forth the text of all rules filed during the appropriate register publication period.

(4) The code reviser may omit from the register or the compilation, rules that would be unduly cumbersome, expensive, or otherwise inexpedient to publish, if such rules are made available in printed or processed form on application to the adopting agency, and if the register or compilation contains a notice stating the general subject matter of the rules so omitted and stating how copies thereof may be obtained.

(5) The code reviser may edit and revise rules for publication, codification, and compilation, without changing the meaning of any such rule.

(6) When a rule, in whole or in part, is declared invalid and unconstitutional by a court of final appeal, the adopting agency shall give notice to that effect in the register. With the consent of the attorney general, the code reviser may remove obsolete rules or parts of rules from the Washington Administrative Code when:

(a) The rules are declared unconstitutional by a court of final appeal; or

(b) The adopting agency ceases to exist and the rules are not transferred by statute to a successor agency.

(7) ~~((Registers and))~~ Compilations shall be made available, in written form to (a) state elected officials whose offices are created by Article II or III of the state Constitution or by RCW 48.02.010, upon request, (b) ~~((to))~~ the secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house for committee use, as required, but not to exceed the number of standing committees in each body, (c) ~~((to))~~ county boards of law library trustees and to the Olympia ~~((representatives of the Associated Press and the United Press International without request, free of charge))~~ press corps library, and (d) ~~((to))~~ other persons at a price fixed by the code reviser.

(8) The board of law library trustees of each county shall keep and maintain a complete and current set of registers and compilations when required for use and inspection as provided in ~~((RCW 27.24.060))~~ chapter 27.24 RCW. If the register is published exclusively by electronic means on the code reviser web site, providing on-site access to the electronic version of the register shall satisfy the requirements of this subsection for access to the register.

(9) Registers shall be made available in written form to the same parties and under the same terms as those listed in subsection (7) of this section, unless the register is published exclusively by electronic means on the code reviser web site.

(10) Judicial notice shall be taken of rules filed and published as provided in RCW 34.05.380 and this section.

**Sec. 4.** RCW 34.05.312 and 2003 c 246 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

Each agency shall designate a rules coordinator, who shall have knowledge of the subjects of rules being proposed or prepared within the agency for proposal, maintain the records of any such action, and respond to public inquiries about possible, proposed, or adopted rules

and the identity of agency personnel working, reviewing, or commenting on them. The office and mailing address of the rules coordinator shall be published in the state register at the time of designation and ~~((in the first issue of each calendar year))~~ maintained thereafter on the code reviser web site for the duration of the designation. The rules coordinator may be an employee of another agency.

**Sec. 5.** RCW 34.05.380 and 1989 c 175 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Each agency shall file in the office of the code reviser a certified copy of all rules it adopts, except for rules contained in tariffs filed with or published by the Washington utilities and transportation commission. The code reviser shall place upon each rule a notation of the time and date of filing and shall keep a permanent ~~((register))~~ written record of filed rules open to public inspection. In filing a rule, each agency shall use the standard form prescribed for this purpose by the code reviser.

(2) Emergency rules adopted under RCW 34.05.350 become effective upon filing unless a later date is specified in the order of adoption. All other rules become effective upon the expiration of thirty days after the date of filing, unless a later date is required by statute or specified in the order of adoption.

(3) A rule may become effective immediately upon its filing with the code reviser or on any subsequent date earlier than that established by subsection (2) of this section, if the agency establishes that effective date in the adopting order and finds that:

(a) Such action is required by the state or federal Constitution, a statute, or court order;

(b) The rule only delays the effective date of another rule that is not yet effective; or

(c) The earlier effective date is necessary because of imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare.

The finding and a brief statement of the reasons therefor required by this subsection shall be made a part of the order adopting the rule.

(4) With respect to a rule made effective pursuant to subsection (3) of this section, each agency shall make reasonable efforts to make the effective date known to persons who may be affected by it.

**Sec. 6.** RCW 42.56.580 and 2005 c 483 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Each state and local agency shall appoint and publicly identify a public records officer whose responsibility is to serve as a point of contact for members of the public in requesting disclosure of public records and to oversee the agency's compliance with the public records disclosure requirements of this chapter. A state or local agency's public records officer may appoint an employee or official of another agency as its public records officer.

(2) For state agencies, the name and contact information of the agency's public records officer to whom members of the public may direct requests for disclosure of public records and who will oversee the agency's compliance with the public records disclosure requirements of this chapter shall be published in the state register at the time of designation and ~~((annually every year))~~ maintained thereafter on the code reviser web site for the duration of the designation.

(3) For local agencies, the name and contact information of the agency's public records officer to whom members of the public may direct requests for disclosure of public records and who will oversee the agency's compliance within the public records disclosure requirements of this chapter shall be made in a way reasonably

calculated to provide notice to the public, including posting at the local agency's place of business, posting on its internet site, or including in its publications."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "committee;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 40.04.031, 1.08.110, 34.05.210, 34.05.312, 34.05.380, and 42.56.580."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

## SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1859 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

## FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Goodman spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1859, as amended by the Senate.

## ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1859, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1859, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 5, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1916, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 41.56.465 and 1995 c 273 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In making its determination, the panel shall be mindful of the legislative purpose enumerated in RCW 41.56.430 and, as additional standards or guidelines to aid it in reaching a decision, ~~((f)) the panel shall ((take into consideration the following factors))~~ consider:

(a) The constitutional and statutory authority of the employer;

(b) Stipulations of the parties;

~~((i)) For employees listed in RCW 41.56.030(7) (a) through (d), comparison of the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of personnel involved in the proceedings with the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of like personnel of like employers of similar size on the west coast of the United States;~~

~~((ii)) For employees listed in RCW 41.56.030(7) (e) through (h), comparison of the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of personnel involved in the proceedings with the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of like personnel of public fire departments of similar size on the west coast of the United States. However, when an adequate number of comparable employers exists within the state of Washington, other west coast employers may not be considered;~~

~~((d))~~ The average consumer prices for goods and services, commonly known as the cost of living;

~~((e))~~ (d) Changes in any of the circumstances under (a) through ~~((f))~~ (c) of this subsection during the pendency of the proceedings; and

~~((f))~~ (e) Such other factors, not confined to the factors under (a) through ~~((e))~~ (d) of this subsection, that are normally or traditionally taken into consideration in the determination of wages, hours, and conditions of employment. For those employees listed in RCW 41.56.030(7)(a) who are employed by the governing body of a city or town with a population of less than fifteen thousand, or a county with a population of less than seventy thousand, consideration must also be given to regional differences in the cost of living.

(2) For employees listed in RCW 41.56.030(7) (a) through (d), the panel shall also consider a comparison of the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of personnel involved in the proceedings with the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of like personnel of like employers of similar size on the west coast of the United States.

(3) For employees listed in RCW 41.56.030(7) (e) through (h), the panel shall also consider a comparison of the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of personnel involved in the proceedings with the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of like personnel of public fire departments of similar size on the west coast of the United States. However, when an adequate number of comparable employers exists within the state of Washington, other west coast employers may not be considered.

(4) For employees listed in RCW 41.56.028:

(a) The panel shall also consider:

(i) A comparison of child care provider subsidy rates and reimbursement programs by public entities, including counties and municipalities, along the west coast of the United States; and

(ii) The financial ability of the state to pay for the compensation and benefit provisions of a collective bargaining agreement; and

(b) The panel may consider:

(i) The public's interest in reducing turnover and increasing retention of child care providers;

(ii) The state's interest in promoting, through education and training, a stable child care workforce to provide quality and reliable child care from all providers throughout the state; and

(iii) In addition, for employees exempt from licensing under chapter 74.15 RCW, the state's fiscal interest in reducing reliance upon public benefit programs including but not limited to medical coupons, food stamps, subsidized housing, and emergency medical services.

(5) For employees listed in RCW 74.39A.270:

(a) The panel shall consider:

(i) A comparison of wages, hours, and conditions of employment of publicly reimbursed personnel providing similar services to similar clients, including clients who are elderly, frail, or have developmental disabilities, both in the state and across the United States; and

(ii) The financial ability of the state to pay for the compensation and fringe benefit provisions of a collective bargaining agreement; and

(b) The panel may consider:

(i) A comparison of wages, hours, and conditions of employment of publicly employed personnel providing similar services to similar clients, including clients who are elderly, frail, or have developmental disabilities, both in the state and across the United States;

(ii) The state's interest in promoting a stable long-term care workforce to provide quality and reliable care to vulnerable elderly and disabled recipients;

(iii) The state's interest in ensuring access to affordable, quality health care for all state citizens; and

(iv) The state's fiscal interest in reducing reliance upon public benefit programs including but not limited to medical coupons, food stamps, subsidized housing, and emergency medical services.

(6) Subsections ~~((f))~~ (2) and (3) of this section may not be construed to authorize the panel to require the employer to pay, directly or indirectly, the increased employee contributions resulting from chapter 502, Laws of 1993 or chapter 517, Laws of 1993 as required under chapter 41.26 RCW.

**Sec. 2.** RCW 41.56.028 and 2006 c 54 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In addition to the entities listed in RCW 41.56.020, this chapter applies to the governor with respect to family child care providers. Solely for the purposes of collective bargaining and as expressly limited under subsections (2) and (3) of this section, the governor is the public employer of family child care providers who, solely for the purposes of collective bargaining, are public employees. The public employer shall be represented for bargaining purposes by the governor or the governor's designee appointed under chapter 41.80 RCW.

(2) This chapter governs the collective bargaining relationship between the governor and family child care providers, except as follows:

(a) A statewide unit of all family child care providers is the only unit appropriate for purposes of collective bargaining under RCW 41.56.060.

(b) The exclusive bargaining representative of family child care providers in the unit specified in (a) of this subsection shall be the

representative chosen in an election conducted pursuant to RCW 41.56.070, except that in the initial election conducted under chapter 54, Laws of 2006, if more than one labor organization is on the ballot and none of the choices receives a majority of the votes cast, a run-off election shall be held.

(c) Notwithstanding the definition of "collective bargaining" in RCW 41.56.030(4), the scope of collective bargaining for child care providers under this section shall be limited solely to: (i) Economic compensation, such as manner and rate of subsidy and reimbursement, including tiered reimbursements; (ii) health and welfare benefits; (iii) professional development and training; (iv) labor-management committees; (v) grievance procedures; and (vi) other economic matters. Retirement benefits shall not be subject to collective bargaining. By such obligation neither party shall be compelled to agree to a proposal or be required to make a concession unless otherwise provided in this chapter.

(d) The mediation and interest arbitration provisions of RCW 41.56.430 through 41.56.470 and 41.56.480 apply, except that:

(i) With respect to commencement of negotiations between the governor and the exclusive bargaining representative of family child care providers, negotiations shall be commenced initially upon certification of an exclusive bargaining representative under (a) of this subsection and, thereafter, by February 1st of any even-numbered year; and

(ii) ~~(In addition to the factors to be taken into consideration by an interest arbitration panel under RCW 41.56.465, the panel shall consider the financial ability of the state to pay for the compensation and benefit provisions of a collective bargaining agreement; and~~  
 (iii) The decision of the arbitration panel is not binding on the legislature and, if the legislature does not approve the request for funds necessary to implement the compensation and benefit provisions of the arbitrated collective bargaining agreement, is not binding on the state.

(e) Family child care providers do not have the right to strike.

(3) Family child care providers who are public employees solely for the purposes of collective bargaining under subsection (1) of this section are not, for that reason, employees of the state for any purpose. This section applies only to the governance of the collective bargaining relationship between the employer and family child care providers as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section.

(4) This section does not create or modify:

(a) The parents' or legal guardians' right to choose and terminate the services of any family child care provider that provides care for their child or children;

(b) The secretary of the department of social and health services' right to adopt requirements under RCW 74.15.030, except for requirements related to grievance procedures and collective negotiations on personnel matters as specified in subsection (2)(c) of this section;

(c) Chapter 26.44 RCW, RCW 43.43.832, 43.20A.205, and 74.15.130; and

(d) The legislature's right to make programmatic modifications to the delivery of state services through child care subsidy programs, including standards of eligibility of parents, legal guardians, and family child care providers participating in child care subsidy programs, and the nature of services provided. The governor shall not enter into, extend, or renew any agreement under this section that does not expressly reserve the legislative rights described in this subsection (4)(d).

(5) Upon meeting the requirements of subsection (6) of this section, the governor must submit, as a part of the proposed biennial or supplemental operating budget submitted to the legislature under

RCW 43.88.030, a request for funds necessary to implement the compensation and benefit provisions of a collective bargaining agreement entered into under this section or for legislation necessary to implement such agreement.

(6) A request for funds necessary to implement the compensation and benefit provisions of a collective bargaining agreement entered into under this section shall not be submitted by the governor to the legislature unless such request has been:

(a) Submitted to the director of financial management by October 1st before the legislative session at which the request is to be considered, except that, for initial negotiations under this section, the request must be submitted by November 15, 2006; and

(b) Certified by the director of financial management as being feasible financially for the state or reflects the binding decision of an arbitration panel reached under this section.

(7) The legislature must approve or reject the submission of the request for funds as a whole. If the legislature rejects or fails to act on the submission, any such agreement will be reopened solely for the purpose of renegotiating the funds necessary to implement the agreement.

(8) The governor shall periodically consult with the joint committee on employment relations established by RCW 41.80.010 regarding appropriations necessary to implement the compensation and benefit provisions of any collective bargaining agreement and, upon completion of negotiations, advise the committee on the elements of the agreement and on any legislation necessary to implement such agreement.

(9) After the expiration date of any collective bargaining agreement entered into under this section, all of the terms and conditions specified in any such agreement remain in effect until the effective date of a subsequent agreement, not to exceed one year from the expiration date stated in the agreement, except as provided in subsection (4)(d) of this section.

(10) If, after the compensation and benefit provisions of an agreement are approved by the legislature, a significant revenue shortfall occurs resulting in reduced appropriations, as declared by proclamation of the governor or by resolution of the legislature, both parties shall immediately enter into collective bargaining for a mutually agreed upon modification of the agreement.

(11) In enacting this section, the legislature intends to provide state action immunity under federal and state antitrust laws for the joint activities of family child care providers and their exclusive bargaining representative to the extent such activities are authorized by this chapter.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 74.39A.270 and 2006 c 106 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Solely for the purposes of collective bargaining and as expressly limited under subsections (2) and (3) of this section, the governor is the public employer, as defined in chapter 41.56 RCW, of individual providers, who, solely for the purposes of collective bargaining, are public employees as defined in chapter 41.56 RCW. To accommodate the role of the state as payor for the community-based services provided under this chapter and to ensure coordination with state employee collective bargaining under chapter 41.80 RCW and the coordination necessary to implement RCW 74.39A.300, the public employer shall be represented for bargaining purposes by the governor or the governor's designee appointed under chapter 41.80 RCW. The governor or governor's designee shall periodically consult with the authority during the collective bargaining process to allow the authority to communicate issues relating to the long-term in-home care services received by consumers. The governor or the governor's

designee shall consult the authority on all issues for which the exclusive bargaining representative requests to engage in collective bargaining under subsection (6) of this section. The authority shall work with the developmental disabilities council, the governor's committee on disability issues and employment, the state council on aging, and other consumer advocacy organizations to obtain informed input from consumers on their interests, including impacts on consumer choice, for all issues proposed for collective bargaining under subsection (6) of this section.

(2) Chapter 41.56 RCW governs the collective bargaining relationship between the governor and individual providers, except as otherwise expressly provided in this chapter and except as follows:

(a) The only unit appropriate for the purpose of collective bargaining under RCW 41.56.060 is a statewide unit of all individual providers;

(b) The showing of interest required to request an election under RCW 41.56.060 is ten percent of the unit, and any intervener seeking to appear on the ballot must make the same showing of interest;

(c) The mediation and interest arbitration provisions of RCW 41.56.430 through 41.56.470 and 41.56.480 apply, except that:

(i) With respect to commencement of negotiations between the governor and the bargaining representative of individual providers, negotiations shall be commenced by May 1st of any year prior to the year in which an existing collective bargaining agreement expires; and

(ii) ~~((With respect to factors to be taken into consideration by an interest arbitration panel, the panel shall consider the financial ability of the state to pay for the compensation and fringe benefit provisions of a collective bargaining agreement, and~~

~~—(iii))~~ The decision of the arbitration panel is not binding on the legislature and, if the legislature does not approve the request for funds necessary to implement the compensation and fringe benefit provisions of the arbitrated collective bargaining agreement, is not binding on the authority or the state;

(d) Individual providers do not have the right to strike; and

(e) Individual providers who are related to, or family members of, consumers or prospective consumers are not, for that reason, exempt from this chapter or chapter 41.56 RCW.

(3) Individual providers who are public employees solely for the purposes of collective bargaining under subsection (1) of this section are not, for that reason, employees of the state, its political subdivisions, or an area agency on aging for any purpose. Chapter 41.56 RCW applies only to the governance of the collective bargaining relationship between the employer and individual providers as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section.

(4) Consumers and prospective consumers retain the right to select, hire, supervise the work of, and terminate any individual provider providing services to them. Consumers may elect to receive long-term in-home care services from individual providers who are not referred to them by the authority.

(5) In implementing and administering this chapter, neither the authority nor any of its contractors may reduce or increase the hours of service for any consumer below or above the amount determined to be necessary under any assessment prepared by the department or an area agency on aging.

(6) Except as expressly limited in this section and RCW 74.39A.300, the wages, hours, and working conditions of individual providers are determined solely through collective bargaining as provided in this chapter. No agency or department of the state may establish policies or rules governing the wages or hours of individual providers. However, this subsection does not modify:

(a) The department's authority to establish a plan of care for each consumer or its core responsibility to manage long-term in-home care services under this chapter, including determination of the level of care that each consumer is eligible to receive. However, at the request of the exclusive bargaining representative, the governor or the governor's designee appointed under chapter 41.80 RCW shall engage in collective bargaining, as defined in RCW 41.56.030(4), with the exclusive bargaining representative over how the department's core responsibility affects hours of work for individual providers. This subsection shall not be interpreted to require collective bargaining over an individual consumer's plan of care;

(b) The department's authority to terminate its contracts with individual providers who are not adequately meeting the needs of a particular consumer, or to deny a contract under RCW 74.39A.095(8);

(c) The consumer's right to assign hours to one or more individual providers selected by the consumer within the maximum hours determined by his or her plan of care;

(d) The consumer's right to select, hire, terminate, supervise the work of, and determine the conditions of employment for each individual provider providing services to the consumer under this chapter;

(e) The department's obligation to comply with the federal medicaid statute and regulations and the terms of any community-based waiver granted by the federal department of health and human services and to ensure federal financial participation in the provision of the services; and

(f) The legislature's right to make programmatic modifications to the delivery of state services under this title, including standards of eligibility of consumers and individual providers participating in the programs under this title, and the nature of services provided. The governor shall not enter into, extend, or renew any agreement under this chapter that does not expressly reserve the legislative rights described in this subsection (6)(f).

(7)(a) The state, the department, the authority, the area agencies on aging, or their contractors under this chapter may not be held vicariously or jointly liable for the action or inaction of any individual provider or prospective individual provider, whether or not that individual provider or prospective individual provider was included on the authority's referral registry or referred to a consumer or prospective consumer. The existence of a collective bargaining agreement, the placement of an individual provider on the referral registry, or the development or approval of a plan of care for a consumer who chooses to use the services of an individual provider and the provision of case management services to that consumer, by the department or an area agency on aging, does not constitute a special relationship with the consumer.

(b) The members of the board are immune from any liability resulting from implementation of this chapter.

(8) Nothing in this section affects the state's responsibility with respect to unemployment insurance for individual providers. However, individual providers are not to be considered, as a result of the state assuming this responsibility, employees of the state."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "providers;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 41.56.465, 41.56.028, and 74.39A.270."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary



**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL**

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1916 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

**FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL  
AS SENATE AMENDED**

Representatives Conway and Condotta spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1916, as amended by the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1916, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 82, Nays - 13, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Alexander, Appleton, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, O'Brien, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Santos, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Takko, Uphegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 82.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Anderson, Armstrong, Chandler, Condotta, Dunn, Kretz, McDonald, Newhouse, Orcutt, Ross, Schindler and Sump - 13.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1916, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

April 10, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1980, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** Rcw 28a.300.455 and 2005 c 277 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) by september 30, 2004, the financial literacy public-private partnership shall adopt a definition of financial literacy to be used in educational efforts.

(2) by june 30, ~~(2006)~~ 2009, the financial literacy public-private partnership shall identify strategies to increase the financial literacy of public school students in our state. To the extent funds are available, strategies to be considered by the partnership shall include, but not be limited to:

(A) identifying and making available to school districts:

(I) important financial literacy skills and knowledge;

(Ii) ways in which teachers at different grade levels may integrate financial literacy in mathematics, social studies, and other course content areas;

(Iii) instructional materials and programs, including schoolwide programs, that include the important financial literacy skills and knowledge;

(Iv) assessments and other outcome measures that schools and communities may use to determine whether students are financially literate; and

(V) other strategies for expanding and increasing the quality of financial literacy instruction in public schools, including professional development for teachers;

(B) developing a structure and set of operating principles for the financial literacy public-private partnership to assist interested school districts in improving the financial literacy of their students by providing such things as financial literacy instructional materials and professional development; and

(C) providing a report to the governor, the house and senate financial institutions and education committees of the legislature, the superintendent of public instruction, the state board of education, and education stakeholder groups, on the results of work of the financial literacy public-private partnership. ~~((a final))~~ an interim report shall be submitted to the same parties by june 30, 2007, with a final report by june 30, 2009.

**Sec. 2.** Rcw 28a.300.460 and 2004 c 247 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

the task of the financial literacy public-private partnership is to seek out and determine the best methods of equipping students with the knowledge and skills they need, before they become self-supporting, in order for them to make critical decisions regarding their personal finances. The components of personal financial literacy examined shall include, at a minimum, consumer financial education, personal finance, and personal credit. The partnership shall identify the types of outcome measures expected from participating districts and students, in accordance with the definitions and outcomes developed under rcw 28a.300.455.

New section. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28a.230 rcw to read as follows:

(1) to the extent funds are appropriated or are available for this purpose, the superintendent of public instruction and other members of the partnership created in rcw 28a.300.455 shall make available to school districts the list of identified financial literacy skills and knowledge, instructional materials, assessments, and other relevant information.

(2) each school district is encouraged to provide its students with an opportunity to master the financial literacy skills and knowledge developed under rcw 28a.300.460.

(3) for the purposes of rcw 28a.300.455, 28a.300.460, and this section, it is not necessary to evaluate and apply the office of the superintendent of public instruction essential academic learning requirements or to develop grade level expectations.

**Sec. 4.** Rcw 28a.300.470 and 2004 c 247 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:

the financial literacy public-private partnership expires june 30, (~~2007~~) 2009.

New section. **Sec. 5.** This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "partnership," strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending rcw 28a.300.455, 28a.300.460, and 28a.300.470; adding a new section to chapter 28a.230 rcw; and declaring an emergency."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1980 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Kelley and Priest spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1980, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1980, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke,

Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.  
Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1980, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 5, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2261, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"Sec. 1.** RCW 70.94.473 and 2005 c 197 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Any person in a residence or commercial establishment which has an adequate source of heat without burning wood shall:

(a) Not burn wood in any solid fuel burning device whenever the department has determined under RCW 70.94.715 that any air pollution episode exists in that area;

(b) Not burn wood in any solid fuel burning device except those which are either Oregon department of environmental quality phase II or United States environmental protection agency certified or certified by the department under RCW 70.94.457(1) or a pellet stove either certified or issued an exemption by the United States environmental protection agency in accordance with Title 40, Part 60 of the code of federal regulations, in the geographical area and for the period of time that a first stage of impaired air quality has been determined, by the department or any authority, for that area. A first stage of impaired air quality is reached when:

(i) Fine particulates are at an ambient level of thirty-five micrograms per cubic meter measured on a twenty-four hour average; and

(ii) Forecasted meteorological conditions are not expected to allow levels of fine particulates to decline below thirty-five micrograms per cubic meter for a period of forty-eight hours or more from the time that the fine particulates are measured at the trigger level; and

(c) Not burn wood in any solid fuel burning device in a geographical area and for the period of time that a second stage of impaired air quality has been determined by the department or any authority, for that area. A second stage of impaired air quality is reached when:

(i) A first stage of impaired air quality has been in force and not been sufficient to reduce the increasing fine (~~particle~~ ~~[particulate]~~) particulate pollution trend;

(ii) Fine particulates are at an ambient level of sixty micrograms per cubic meter measured on a twenty-four hour average; and

(iii) Forecasted meteorological conditions are not expected to allow levels of fine particulates to decline below sixty micrograms per cubic meter for a period of forty-eight hours or more from the time that the fine particulates are measured at the trigger level.

(2) Until June 30, 2009, an authority comprised of one county east of the crest of the Cascade mountains with a population of equal

to or greater than four hundred thousand people, may determine by rule an alternative ambient air level of fine particulates that defines when a first stage and when a second stage of impaired air quality exists under subsection (1) of this section. All other criteria of subsection (1) of this section continue to apply to a county subject to this subsection.

(3) Actions of the department and local air pollution control authorities under this section shall preempt actions of other state agencies and local governments for the purposes of controlling air pollution from solid fuel burning devices, except where authorized by chapter 199, Laws of 1991.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 70.94 RCW to read as follows:

The legislature finds that there are some communities in the state in which the national ambient air quality standards for PM 2.5 are exceeded, primarily due to wood smoke emissions, and that current strategies are not sufficient to reduce wood smoke emissions to levels that comply with the federal standards or adequately protect public health. The legislature finds that it is in the state's interest and to the benefit of the people of the state to evaluate additional measures to reduce wood smoke emissions and update the state wood smoke control program.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 70.94 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The department shall convene and chair a work group to study the impacts of wood smoke from solid fuel burning devices on communities in Washington and make recommendations to the legislature on practical and cost-effective opportunities to reduce exposure to wood smoke from solid fuel burning devices and meet the new national air quality standards for fine particulates in Washington state. The work group shall be established by the director and include representatives from the department, the state department of health, regional air quality agencies, local health departments, related industry representatives, and nongovernmental health organizations. Recommendations may include statutory or regulatory changes, incentives, and other strategies that will reduce ambient PM 2.5 pollution. Recommendations should be presented to the governor and to the legislature by December 1, 2007.

(2) In carrying out its assignment the work group shall include, but not be limited to, the following considerations:

(a) Communities in the state that have elevated levels of PM 2.5 pollution;

(b) The contribution of pollution from solid fuel burning devices to potential violations of federal air quality standards;

(c) Strategies used in other states, regions, or cities to reduce wood smoke pollution levels and effectiveness of these strategies;

(d) State laws, rules, fees, utility regulations, and other policies that may affect the ability to reduce emissions from solid fuel burning devices or encourage the use of cleaner burning devices; and

(e) Potential financial incentives and sources of funding to change out older solid fuel burning devices to cleaner burning devices."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "program;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 70.94.473; and adding new sections to chapter 70.94 RCW."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

## SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2261 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

## FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Campbell and Hudgins spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2261, as amended by the Senate.

## ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2261, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 67, Nays - 28, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Anderson, Appleton, Barlow, Blake, Campbell, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Conway, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Flannigan, Fromhold, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Ormsby, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Rodne, Rolfes, Santos, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Sommers, Springer, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Takko, Upthegrove, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 67.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Armstrong, Bailey, Buri, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, DeBolt, Dunn, Ericksen, Goodman, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Kessler, Kretz, Kristiansen, Orcutt, Pearson, Roach, Roberts, Ross, Schindler, Skinner, Strow, Sump and Van De Wege - 28.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2261, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 9, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2262, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** The legislature finds and declares:

(1) The national board for professional teaching standards has established high and rigorous standards for what highly accomplished teachers should know and be able to do in order to increase student learning results;

(2) The national board certifies teachers who meet these standards through a rigorous, performance-based assessment process;

(3) A certificate awarded by the national board attests that a teacher has met high and rigorous standards and has demonstrated the ability to make sound professional judgments about how to best meet students' learning needs and effectively help students meet challenging academic standards; and

(4) Teachers who attain national board certification should be acknowledged and rewarded in order to encourage more teachers to pursue certification for the benefit of Washington students.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.405 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Certificated instructional staff who have attained certification from the national board for professional teaching standards shall receive a bonus each year in which they maintain the certification. The bonus shall be calculated as follows: The annual bonus shall be five thousand dollars in the 2007-08 school year. Thereafter, the annual bonus shall increase by inflation.

(2) Certificated instructional staff who have attained certification from the national board for professional teaching standards shall be eligible for bonuses in addition to that provided by subsection (1) of this section if the individual is in an instructional assignment in a school in which at least seventy percent of the students qualify for the free and reduced-price lunch program.

(3) The amount of the additional bonus under subsection (2) of this section for those meeting the qualifications of subsection (2) of this section is five thousand dollars.

(4) The bonuses provided under this section are in addition to compensation received under a district's salary schedule adopted in accordance with RCW 28A.405.200 and shall not be included in calculations of a district's average salary and associated salary limitations under RCW 28A.400.200.

(5) The bonuses provided under this section shall be paid in a lump sum amount and shall not be included in the definition of "earnable compensation" under RCW 41.32.010(10).

**Sec. 3.** RCW 41.32.010 and 2005 c 131 s 8 and 2005 c 23 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context:

(1)(a) "Accumulated contributions" for plan 1 members, means the sum of all regular annuity contributions and, except for the purpose of withdrawal at the time of retirement, any amount paid under RCW 41.50.165(2) with regular interest thereon.

(b) "Accumulated contributions" for plan 2 members, means the sum of all contributions standing to the credit of a member in the member's individual account, including any amount paid under RCW 41.50.165(2), together with the regular interest thereon.

(2) "Actuarial equivalent" means a benefit of equal value when computed upon the basis of such mortality tables and regulations as shall be adopted by the director and regular interest.

(3) "Annuity" means the moneys payable per year during life by reason of accumulated contributions of a member.

(4) "Member reserve" means the fund in which all of the accumulated contributions of members are held.

(5)(a) "Beneficiary" for plan 1 members, means any person in receipt of a retirement allowance or other benefit provided by this chapter.

(b) "Beneficiary" for plan 2 and plan 3 members, means any person in receipt of a retirement allowance or other benefit provided by this chapter resulting from service rendered to an employer by another person.

(6) "Contract" means any agreement for service and compensation between a member and an employer.

(7) "Creditable service" means membership service plus prior service for which credit is allowable. This subsection shall apply only to plan 1 members.

(8) "Dependent" means receiving one-half or more of support from a member.

(9) "Disability allowance" means monthly payments during disability. This subsection shall apply only to plan 1 members.

(10)(a) "Earnable compensation" for plan 1 members, means:

(i) All salaries and wages paid by an employer to an employee member of the retirement system for personal services rendered during a fiscal year. In all cases where compensation includes maintenance the employer shall fix the value of that part of the compensation not paid in money.

(ii) For an employee member of the retirement system teaching in an extended school year program, two consecutive extended school years, as defined by the employer school district, may be used as the annual period for determining earnable compensation in lieu of the two fiscal years.

(iii) "Earnable compensation" for plan 1 members also includes the following actual or imputed payments, which are not paid for personal services:

(A) Retroactive payments to an individual by an employer on reinstatement of the employee in a position, or payments by an employer to an individual in lieu of reinstatement in a position which are awarded or granted as the equivalent of the salary or wages which the individual would have earned during a payroll period shall be considered earnable compensation and the individual shall receive the equivalent service credit.

(B) If a leave of absence, without pay, is taken by a member for the purpose of serving as a member of the state legislature, and such member has served in the legislature five or more years, the salary which would have been received for the position from which the leave of absence was taken shall be considered as compensation earnable if the employee's contribution thereon is paid by the employee. In addition, where a member has been a member of the state legislature for five or more years, earnable compensation for the member's two highest compensated consecutive years of service shall include a sum not to exceed thirty-six hundred dollars for each of such two consecutive years, regardless of whether or not legislative service was rendered during those two years.

(iv) For members employed less than full time under written contract with a school district, or community college district, in an instructional position, for which the member receives service credit of less than one year in all of the years used to determine the earnable compensation used for computing benefits due under RCW 41.32.497, 41.32.498, and 41.32.520, the member may elect to have earnable compensation defined as provided in RCW 41.32.345. For the purposes of this subsection, the term "instructional position" means a position in which more than seventy-five percent of the member's time is spent as a classroom instructor (including office hours), a librarian, a psychologist, a social worker, a nurse, a physical therapist, an occupational therapist, a speech language pathologist or audiologist, or a counselor. Earnable compensation shall be so

defined only for the purpose of the calculation of retirement benefits and only as necessary to insure that members who receive fractional service credit under RCW 41.32.270 receive benefits proportional to those received by members who have received full-time service credit.

(v) "Earnable compensation" does not include:

(A) Remuneration for unused sick leave authorized under RCW 41.04.340, 28A.400.210, or 28A.310.490;

(B) Remuneration for unused annual leave in excess of thirty days as authorized by RCW 43.01.044 and 43.01.041;

(C) Bonuses for certification from the national board for professional teaching standards authorized under section 2 of this act.

(b) "Earnable compensation" for plan 2 and plan 3 members, means salaries or wages earned by a member during a payroll period for personal services, including overtime payments, and shall include wages and salaries deferred under provisions established pursuant to sections 403(b), 414(h), and 457 of the United States Internal Revenue Code, but shall exclude lump sum payments for deferred annual sick leave, unused accumulated vacation, unused accumulated annual leave, bonuses for certification from the national board for professional teaching standards authorized under section 2 of this act, or any form of severance pay.

"Earnable compensation" for plan 2 and plan 3 members also includes the following actual or imputed payments which, except in the case of (b)(ii)(B) of this subsection, are not paid for personal services:

(i) Retroactive payments to an individual by an employer on reinstatement of the employee in a position or payments by an employer to an individual in lieu of reinstatement in a position which are awarded or granted as the equivalent of the salary or wages which the individual would have earned during a payroll period shall be considered earnable compensation, to the extent provided above, and the individual shall receive the equivalent service credit.

(ii) In any year in which a member serves in the legislature the member shall have the option of having such member's earnable compensation be the greater of:

(A) The earnable compensation the member would have received had such member not served in the legislature; or

(B) Such member's actual earnable compensation received for teaching and legislative service combined. Any additional contributions to the retirement system required because compensation earnable under (b)(ii)(A) of this subsection is greater than compensation earnable under (b)(ii)(B) of this subsection shall be paid by the member for both member and employer contributions.

(11) "Employer" means the state of Washington, the school district, or any agency of the state of Washington by which the member is paid.

(12) "Fiscal year" means a year which begins July 1st and ends June 30th of the following year.

(13) "Former state fund" means the state retirement fund in operation for teachers under chapter 187, Laws of 1923, as amended.

(14) "Local fund" means any of the local retirement funds for teachers operated in any school district in accordance with the provisions of chapter 163, Laws of 1917 as amended.

(15) "Member" means any teacher included in the membership of the retirement system who has not been removed from membership under RCW 41.32.878 or 41.32.768. Also, any other employee of the public schools who, on July 1, 1947, had not elected to be exempt from membership and who, prior to that date, had by an authorized payroll deduction, contributed to the member reserve.

(16) "Membership service" means service rendered subsequent to the first day of eligibility of a person to membership in the

retirement system: PROVIDED, That where a member is employed by two or more employers the individual shall receive no more than one service credit month during any calendar month in which multiple service is rendered. The provisions of this subsection shall apply only to plan 1 members.

(17) "Pension" means the moneys payable per year during life from the pension reserve.

(18) "Pension reserve" is a fund in which shall be accumulated an actuarial reserve adequate to meet present and future pension liabilities of the system and from which all pension obligations are to be paid.

(19) "Prior service" means service rendered prior to the first date of eligibility to membership in the retirement system for which credit is allowable. The provisions of this subsection shall apply only to plan 1 members.

(20) "Prior service contributions" means contributions made by a member to secure credit for prior service. The provisions of this subsection shall apply only to plan 1 members.

(21) "Public school" means any institution or activity operated by the state of Washington or any instrumentality or political subdivision thereof employing teachers, except the University of Washington and Washington State University.

(22) "Regular contributions" means the amounts required to be deducted from the compensation of a member and credited to the member's individual account in the member reserve. This subsection shall apply only to plan 1 members.

(23) "Regular interest" means such rate as the director may determine.

(24)(a) "Retirement allowance" for plan 1 members, means monthly payments based on the sum of annuity and pension, or any optional benefits payable in lieu thereof.

(b) "Retirement allowance" for plan 2 and plan 3 members, means monthly payments to a retiree or beneficiary as provided in this chapter.

(25) "Retirement system" means the Washington state teachers' retirement system.

(26)(a) "Service" for plan 1 members means the time during which a member has been employed by an employer for compensation.

(i) If a member is employed by two or more employers the individual shall receive no more than one service credit month during any calendar month in which multiple service is rendered.

(ii) As authorized by RCW 28A.400.300, up to forty-five days of sick leave may be creditable as service solely for the purpose of determining eligibility to retire under RCW 41.32.470.

(iii) As authorized in RCW 41.32.065, service earned in an out-of-state retirement system that covers teachers in public schools may be applied solely for the purpose of determining eligibility to retire under RCW 41.32.470.

(b) "Service" for plan 2 and plan 3 members, means periods of employment by a member for one or more employers for which earnable compensation is earned subject to the following conditions:

(i) A member employed in an eligible position or as a substitute shall receive one service credit month for each month of September through August of the following year if he or she earns earnable compensation for eight hundred ten or more hours during that period and is employed during nine of those months, except that a member may not receive credit for any period prior to the member's employment in an eligible position except as provided in RCW 41.32.812 and 41.50.132;

(ii) If a member is employed either in an eligible position or as a substitute teacher for nine months of the twelve month period

between September through August of the following year but earns earnable compensation for less than eight hundred ten hours but for at least six hundred thirty hours, he or she will receive one-half of a service credit month for each month of the twelve month period;

(iii) All other members in an eligible position or as a substitute teacher shall receive service credit as follows:

(A) A service credit month is earned in those calendar months where earnable compensation is earned for ninety or more hours;

(B) A half-service credit month is earned in those calendar months where earnable compensation is earned for at least seventy hours but less than ninety hours; and

(C) A quarter-service credit month is earned in those calendar months where earnable compensation is earned for less than seventy hours.

(iv) Any person who is a member of the teachers' retirement system and who is elected or appointed to a state elective position may continue to be a member of the retirement system and continue to receive a service credit month for each of the months in a state elective position by making the required member contributions.

(v) When an individual is employed by two or more employers the individual shall only receive one month's service credit during any calendar month in which multiple service for ninety or more hours is rendered.

(vi) As authorized by RCW 28A.400.300, up to forty-five days of sick leave may be creditable as service solely for the purpose of determining eligibility to retire under RCW 41.32.470. For purposes of plan 2 and plan 3 "forty-five days" as used in RCW 28A.400.300 is equal to two service credit months. Use of less than forty-five days of sick leave is creditable as allowed under this subsection as follows:

(A) Less than eleven days equals one-quarter service credit month;

(B) Eleven or more days but less than twenty-two days equals one-half service credit month;

(C) Twenty-two days equals one service credit month;

(D) More than twenty-two days but less than thirty-three days equals one and one-quarter service credit month;

(E) Thirty-three or more days but less than forty-five days equals one and one-half service credit month.

(vii) As authorized in RCW 41.32.065, service earned in an out-of-state retirement system that covers teachers in public schools may be applied solely for the purpose of determining eligibility to retire under RCW 41.32.470.

(viii) The department shall adopt rules implementing this subsection.

(27) "Service credit year" means an accumulation of months of service credit which is equal to one when divided by twelve.

(28) "Service credit month" means a full service credit month or an accumulation of partial service credit months that are equal to one.

(29) "Teacher" means any person qualified to teach who is engaged by a public school in an instructional, administrative, or supervisory capacity. The term includes state, educational service district, and school district superintendents and their assistants and all employees certificated by the superintendent of public instruction; and in addition thereto any full time school doctor who is employed by a public school and renders service of an instructional or educational nature.

(30) "Average final compensation" for plan 2 and plan 3 members, means the member's average earnable compensation of the highest consecutive sixty service credit months prior to such member's retirement, termination, or death. Periods constituting authorized leaves of absence may not be used in the calculation of average final compensation except under RCW 41.32.810(2).

(31) "Retiree" means any person who has begun accruing a retirement allowance or other benefit provided by this chapter resulting from service rendered to an employer while a member.

(32) "Department" means the department of retirement systems created in chapter 41.50 RCW.

(33) "Director" means the director of the department.

(34) "State elective position" means any position held by any person elected or appointed to statewide office or elected or appointed as a member of the legislature.

(35) "State actuary" or "actuary" means the person appointed pursuant to RCW 44.44.010(2).

(36) "Substitute teacher" means:

(a) A teacher who is hired by an employer to work as a temporary teacher, except for teachers who are annual contract employees of an employer and are guaranteed a minimum number of hours; or

(b) Teachers who either (i) work in ineligible positions for more than one employer or (ii) work in an ineligible position or positions together with an eligible position.

(37)(a) "Eligible position" for plan 2 members from June 7, 1990, through September 1, 1991, means a position which normally requires two or more uninterrupted months of creditable service during September through August of the following year.

(b) "Eligible position" for plan 2 and plan 3 on and after September 1, 1991, means a position that, as defined by the employer, normally requires five or more months of at least seventy hours of earnable compensation during September through August of the following year.

(c) For purposes of this chapter an employer shall not define "position" in such a manner that an employee's monthly work for that employer is divided into more than one position.

(d) The elected position of the superintendent of public instruction is an eligible position.

(38) "Plan 1" means the teachers' retirement system, plan 1 providing the benefits and funding provisions covering persons who first became members of the system prior to October 1, 1977.

(39) "Plan 2" means the teachers' retirement system, plan 2 providing the benefits and funding provisions covering persons who first became members of the system on and after October 1, 1977, and prior to July 1, 1996.

(40) "Plan 3" means the teachers' retirement system, plan 3 providing the benefits and funding provisions covering persons who first become members of the system on and after July 1, 1996, or who transfer under RCW 41.32.817.

(41) "Index" means, for any calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index, Seattle, Washington area, for urban wage earners and clerical workers, all items compiled by the bureau of labor statistics, United States department of labor.

(42) "Index A" means the index for the year prior to the determination of a postretirement adjustment.

(43) "Index B" means the index for the year prior to index A.

(44) "Index year" means the earliest calendar year in which the index is more than sixty percent of index A.

(45) "Adjustment ratio" means the value of index A divided by index B.

(46) "Annual increase" means, initially, fifty-nine cents per month per year of service which amount shall be increased each July 1st by three percent, rounded to the nearest cent.

(47) "Member account" or "member's account" for purposes of plan 3 means the sum of the contributions and earnings on behalf of the member in the defined contribution portion of plan 3.

(48) "Separation from service or employment" occurs when a person has terminated all employment with an employer.

(49) "Employed" or "employee" means a person who is providing services for compensation to an employer, unless the person is free from the employer's direction and control over the performance of work. The department shall adopt rules and interpret this subsection consistent with common law."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "standards;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "reenacting and amending RCW 41.32.010; adding a new section to chapter 28A.405 RCW; and creating a new section."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2262 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Barlow and Priest spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2262, as amended by the Senate.

### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2262, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 93, Nays - 2, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 93.

Voting nay: Representatives Orcutt and Santos - 2.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2262, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 2281, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 41.04.665 and 2003 1st sp.s. c 12 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) An agency head may permit an employee to receive leave under this section if:

(a)(i) The employee suffers from, or has a relative or household member suffering from, an illness, injury, impairment, or physical or mental condition which is of an extraordinary or severe nature; ((or))

(ii) The employee has been called to service in the uniformed services; or

(iii) A state of emergency has been declared anywhere within the United States by the federal or any state government and the employee has needed skills to assist in responding to the emergency or its aftermath and volunteers his or her services to either a governmental agency or to a nonprofit organization engaged in humanitarian relief in the devastated area, and the governmental agency or nonprofit organization accepts the employee's offer of volunteer services;

(b) The illness, injury, impairment, condition, ((or)) call to service, or emergency volunteer service has caused, or is likely to cause, the employee to:

(i) Go on leave without pay status; or

(ii) Terminate state employment;

(c) The employee's absence and the use of shared leave are justified;

(d) The employee has depleted or will shortly deplete his or her:

(i) Annual leave and sick leave reserves if he or she qualifies under (a)(i) of this subsection; ((or))

(ii) Annual leave and paid military leave allowed under RCW 38.40.060 if he or she qualifies under (a)(ii) of this subsection; or

(iii) Annual leave if he or she qualifies under (a)(iii) of this subsection;

(e) The employee has abided by agency rules regarding:

(i) Sick leave use if he or she qualifies under (a)(i) of this subsection; or

(ii) Military leave if he or she qualifies under (a)(ii) of this subsection; and

(f) The employee has diligently pursued and been found to be ineligible for benefits under chapter 51.32 RCW if he or she qualifies under (a)(i) of this subsection.

(2) The agency head shall determine the amount of leave, if any, which an employee may receive under this section. However, an employee shall not receive a total of more than two hundred sixty-one days of leave.

(3) An employee may transfer annual leave, sick leave, and his or her personal holiday, as follows:

(a) An employee who has an accrued annual leave balance of more than ten days may request that the head of the agency for which

the employee works transfer a specified amount of annual leave to another employee authorized to receive leave under subsection (1) of this section. In no event may the employee request a transfer of an amount of leave that would result in his or her annual leave account going below ten days. For purposes of this subsection (3)(a), annual leave does not accrue if the employee receives compensation in lieu of accumulating a balance of annual leave.

(b) An employee may transfer a specified amount of sick leave to an employee requesting shared leave only when the donating employee retains a minimum of one hundred seventy-six hours of sick leave after the transfer.

(c) An employee may transfer, under the provisions of this section relating to the transfer of leave, all or part of his or her personal holiday, as that term is defined under RCW 1.16.050, or as such holidays are provided to employees by agreement with a school district's board of directors if the leave transferred under this subsection does not exceed the amount of time provided for personal holidays under RCW 1.16.050.

(4) An employee of an institution of higher education under RCW 28B.10.016, school district, or educational service district who does not accrue annual leave but does accrue sick leave and who has an accrued sick leave balance of more than twenty-two days may request that the head of the agency for which the employee works transfer a specified amount of sick leave to another employee authorized to receive leave under subsection (1) of this section. In no event may such an employee request a transfer that would result in his or her sick leave account going below twenty-two days. Transfers of sick leave under this subsection are limited to transfers from employees who do not accrue annual leave. Under this subsection, "sick leave" also includes leave accrued pursuant to RCW 28A.400.300(2) or 28A.310.240(1) with compensation for illness, injury, and emergencies.

(5) Transfers of leave made by an agency head under subsections (3) and (4) of this section shall not exceed the requested amount.

(6) Leave transferred under this section may be transferred from employees of one agency to an employee of the same agency or, with the approval of the heads of both agencies, to an employee of another state agency. However, leave transferred to or from employees of school districts or educational service districts is limited to transfers to or from employees within the same employing district.

(7) While an employee is on leave transferred under this section, he or she shall continue to be classified as a state employee and shall receive the same treatment in respect to salary, wages, and employee benefits as the employee would normally receive if using accrued annual leave or sick leave.

(a) All salary and wage payments made to employees while on leave transferred under this section shall be made by the agency employing the person receiving the leave. The value of leave transferred shall be based upon the leave value of the person receiving the leave.

(b) In the case of leave transferred by an employee of one agency to an employee of another agency, the agencies involved shall arrange for the transfer of funds and credit for the appropriate value of leave.

(i) Pursuant to rules adopted by the office of financial management, funds shall not be transferred under this section if the transfer would violate any constitutional or statutory restrictions on the funds being transferred.

(ii) The office of financial management may adjust the appropriation authority of an agency receiving funds under this section only if and to the extent that the agency's existing

appropriation authority would prevent it from expending the funds received.

(iii) Where any questions arise in the transfer of funds or the adjustment of appropriation authority, the director of financial management shall determine the appropriate transfer or adjustment.

(8) Leave transferred under this section shall not be used in any calculation to determine an agency's allocation of full time equivalent staff positions.

(9) The value of any leave transferred under this section which remains unused shall be returned at its original value to the employee or employees who transferred the leave when the agency head finds that the leave is no longer needed or will not be needed at a future time in connection with the illness or injury for which the leave was transferred or for any other qualifying condition. Before the agency head makes a determination to return unused leave in connection with an illness or injury, or any other qualifying condition, he or she must receive from the affected employee a statement from the employee's doctor verifying that the illness or injury is resolved. To the extent administratively feasible, the value of unused leave which was transferred by more than one employee shall be returned on a pro rata basis.

(10) An employee who uses leave that is transferred to him or her under this section may not be required to repay the value of the leave that he or she used."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "leave;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 41.04.665."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 2281 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Appleton spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 2281, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 2281, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman,



Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2281, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1005, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 36.33A.040 and 1977 c 67 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

Rates for the rental of equipment owned by the fund shall be set to cover all costs of maintenance and repair, material and supplies consumed in operating or maintaining the equipment, and the future replacement thereof. The rates shall be determined by the county engineer or other appointee of the county legislative body and shall be subject to annual review by the legislative body. This section does not restrict the ability of the county road administration board to directly inquire into the process of setting rental rates while performing its statutory oversight responsibility."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "equipment;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 36.33A.040."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1005 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Kessler and Schindler spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1005, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1005, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1005, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 9, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1366, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, no judicial, legislative, administrative, or other body with the power to issue a subpoena or other compulsory process may compel the news media to testify, produce, or otherwise disclose:

(a) The identity of a source of any news or information or any information that would tend to identify the source where such source has a reasonable expectation of confidentiality; or

(b) Any news or information obtained or prepared by the news media in its capacity in gathering, receiving, or processing news or information for potential communication to the public, including, but not limited to, any notes, outtakes, photographs, video or sound tapes, film, or other data of whatever sort in any medium now known or hereafter devised. This does not include physical evidence of a crime.

(2) A court may compel disclosure of the news or information described in subsection (1)(b) of this section if the court finds that the

party seeking such news or information established by clear and convincing evidence:

(a)(i) In a criminal investigation or prosecution, based on information other than that information being sought, that there are reasonable grounds to believe that a crime has occurred; or

(ii) In a civil action or proceeding, based on information other than that information being sought, that there is a prima facie cause of action; and

(b) In all matters, whether criminal or civil, that:

(i) The news or information is highly material and relevant;

(ii) The news or information is critical or necessary to the maintenance of a party's claim, defense, or proof of an issue material thereto;

(iii) The party seeking such news or information has exhausted all reasonable and available means to obtain it from alternative sources; and

(iv) There is a compelling public interest in the disclosure. A court may consider whether or not the news or information was obtained from a confidential source in evaluating the public interest in disclosure.

(3) The protection from compelled disclosure contained in subsection (1) of this section also applies to any subpoena issued to, or other compulsory process against, a nonnews media party where such subpoena or process seeks records, information, or other communications relating to business transactions between such nonnews media party and the news media for the purpose of discovering the identity of a source or obtaining news or information described in subsection (1) of this section. Whenever a subpoena is issued to, or other compulsory process is initiated against, a nonnews media party where such subpoena or process seeks information or communications on business transactions with the news media, the affected news media shall be given reasonable and timely notice of the subpoena or compulsory process before it is executed or initiated, as the case may be, and an opportunity to be heard. In the event that the subpoena to, or other compulsory process against, the nonnews media party is in connection with a criminal investigation in which the news media is the express target, and advance notice as provided in this section would pose a clear and substantial threat to the integrity of the investigation, the governmental authority shall so certify to such a threat in court and notification of the subpoena or compulsory process shall be given to the affected news media as soon thereafter as it is determined that such notification will no longer pose a clear and substantial threat to the integrity of the investigation.

(4) Publication or dissemination by the news media of news or information described in subsection (1) of this section, or a portion thereof, shall not constitute a waiver of the protection from compelled disclosure that is contained in subsection (1) of this section. In the event that the fact of publication of news or information must be proved in any proceeding, that fact and the contents of the publication may be established by judicial notice.

(5) The term "news media" means:

(a) Any newspaper, magazine or other periodical, book publisher, news agency, wire service, radio or television station or network, cable or satellite station or network, or audio or audiovisual production company, or any entity that is in the regular business of news gathering and disseminating news or information to the public by any means, including, but not limited to, print, broadcast, photographic, mechanical, internet, or electronic distribution;

(b) Any person who is or has been an employee, agent, or independent contractor of any entity listed in (a) of this subsection, who is or has been engaged in bona fide news gathering for such

entity, and who obtained or prepared the news or information that is sought while serving in that capacity; or

(c) Any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of the entities listed in (a) or (b) of this subsection to the extent that the subpoena or other compulsory process seeks news or information described in subsection (1) of this section.

(6) In all matters adjudicated pursuant to this section, a court of competent jurisdiction may exercise its inherent powers to conduct all appropriate proceedings required in order to make necessary findings of fact and enter conclusions of law.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 2.** Section 1 of this act constitutes a new chapter in Title 5 RCW."

On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "media;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and adding a new chapter to Title 5 RCW."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1366 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Kessler and Rodne spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1366, as amended by the Senate.

### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1366, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 94, Nays - 1, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 94.

Voting nay: Representative Ahern - 1.  
Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1366, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### STATEMENT FOR THE JOURNAL

I intended to vote YEA on HOUSE BILL NO. 1366.  
JOHN AHERN, 6<sup>th</sup> District

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

April 9, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2275, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.16 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The department shall provide an opportunity for owners of vehicles registered under RCW 46.16.0621 and vehicles licensed under RCW 46.16.070 with a declared gross weight of ten thousand pounds or less, to make a voluntary donation of five dollars at the time of initial or renewal registration. The donation must be deposited in the state parks renewal and stewardship account established in RCW 79A.05.215 to be used for the operation and maintenance of state parks.

(2) This section applies to registrations due or to become due on or after January 1, 2008.

**Sec. 2.** RCW 79A.05.215 and 1995 c 211 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:

The state parks renewal and stewardship account is created in the state treasury. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, all receipts from user fees, concessions, leases, donations collected under section 1 of this act, and other state park-based activities shall be deposited into the account. Expenditures from the account may be used for operating state parks, developing and renovating park facilities, undertaking deferred maintenance, enhancing park stewardship, and other state park purposes. Expenditures from the account may be made only after appropriation by the legislature.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 3.** (1) The director of the department of general administration and the state parks and recreation commission shall jointly host a task force to study and develop recommendations as follows:

(a) Proposals concerning the best management structure for the capitol campus and all of the historical structures, office buildings, monuments, and parks that make up the campus. In determining the best management structure for the capitol campus, the task force must seek to provide the proper balance between managing for the best visitor services and maximum public enjoyment of the capitol campus against the need for maintaining the functionality of the working seat of state government and preservation of the historical structures and monuments on campus;

(b) Proposals to promote tourism at the Washington state capitol campus, including but not limited to: Concessionaire enhancements, audio-visual self-guided tour options, a central visitor center with souvenir/retail opportunities, transportation to and from capitol campus and parking enhancements, and clear and understandable way-finding guides;

(c) Proposals to enrich the educational experience including but not limited to both the present utilization and historical activities of the capitol campus as the seat of state government;

(d) Proposals to promote the unique architectural features, horticultural examples, and art collections of the capitol campus;

(e) Proposals to increase coordination and cooperation between agencies and entities involved in the management and care of the capitol campus and the local governments that are responsible for the buildings and areas near the campus; and

(f) Proposals to increase volunteer opportunities at the campus.

(2) The task force must include the following representatives:

(a) The governor or the governor's designee;

(b) The lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee;

(c) Four legislative members to be appointed as follows: One member from each major caucus of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate; and one member from each major caucus of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(d) A representative of the supreme court;

(e) The superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee;

(f) The director of the department of community, trade, and economic development, or the director's designee;

(g) An elected official from the city of Olympia chosen by the legislative body of the city; and

(h) Two citizens of the state of Washington. One citizen must be appointed by the president of the senate and one citizen must be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. The citizens should have knowledge of the capitol campus, visitor services, and the historical heritage of the capitol.

(3) The task force shall submit the proposals to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature by November 1, 2007.

(4) This section expires July 1, 2008."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "parks;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 79A.05.215; adding a new section to chapter 46.16 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2275 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative Kessler spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2275, as amended by the Senate.

### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2275, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 91, Nays - 4, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 91.

Voting nay: Representatives Hankins, Kretz, Springer and Sump - 4.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2275, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

### STATEMENT FOR THE JOURNAL

I intended to vote YEA on SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2275.

SHIRLEY HANKINS, 8<sup>th</sup> District

The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) called upon Representative Moeller to assume the Chair.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1417, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 43.43.285 and 1996 c 226 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A one hundred fifty thousand dollar death benefit shall be paid to the member's estate, or such person or persons, trust or organization as the member shall have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the department. If there be no such designated person or persons still living at the time of the member's death, such member's death benefit shall be paid to the member's surviving spouse as if in fact such spouse had been nominated by written designation, or if there be no such surviving spouse, then to such member's legal representatives.

(2)(a) The benefit under this section shall be paid only where death occurs as a result of injuries sustained in the course of employment. The determination of eligibility for the benefit shall be made consistent with Title 51 RCW by the department of labor and industries. The department of labor and industries shall notify the department of retirement systems by order under RCW 51.52.050.

(b) The retirement allowance paid to the spouse and dependent children of a member who is killed in the course of employment, as set forth in RCW 41.05.011(14), shall include reimbursement for any payments of premium rates to the Washington state health care authority under RCW 41.05.080.

"**Sec. 2.** RCW 41.05.011 and 2005 c 143 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section shall apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the authority.

(2) "State purchased health care" or "health care" means medical and health care, pharmaceuticals, and medical equipment purchased with state and federal funds by the department of social and health services, the department of health, the basic health plan, the state health care authority, the department of labor and industries, the department of corrections, the department of veterans affairs, and local school districts.

(3) "Authority" means the Washington state health care authority.

(4) "Insuring entity" means an insurer as defined in chapter 48.01 RCW, a health care service contractor as defined in chapter 48.44 RCW, or a health maintenance organization as defined in chapter 48.46 RCW.

(5) "Flexible benefit plan" means a benefit plan that allows employees to choose the level of health care coverage provided and the amount of employee contributions from among a range of choices offered by the authority.

(6) "Employee" includes all full-time and career seasonal employees of the state, whether or not covered by civil service; elected and appointed officials of the executive branch of government, including full-time members of boards, commissions, or committees; and includes any or all part-time and temporary employees under the terms and conditions established under this chapter by the authority; justices of the supreme court and judges of the court of appeals and the superior courts; and members of the state legislature or of the legislative authority of any county, city, or town who are elected to office after February 20, 1970. "Employee" also includes: (a) Employees of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state if the legislative authority of the county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state seeks and receives the approval of the authority to provide any of its insurance programs by contract with the authority, as provided in RCW 41.04.205; (b) employees of employee organizations representing state civil service employees, at the option of each such employee

organization, and, effective October 1, 1995, employees of employee organizations currently pooled with employees of school districts for the purpose of purchasing insurance benefits, at the option of each such employee organization; and (c) employees of a school district if the authority agrees to provide any of the school districts' insurance programs by contract with the authority as provided in RCW 28A.400.350.

(7) "Board" means the public employees' benefits board established under RCW 41.05.055.

(8) "Retired or disabled school employee" means:

(a) Persons who separated from employment with a school district or educational service district and are receiving a retirement allowance under chapter 41.32 or 41.40 RCW as of September 30, 1993;

(b) Persons who separate from employment with a school district or educational service district on or after October 1, 1993, and immediately upon separation receive a retirement allowance under chapter 41.32, 41.35, or 41.40 RCW;

(c) Persons who separate from employment with a school district or educational service district due to a total and permanent disability, and are eligible to receive a deferred retirement allowance under chapter 41.32, 41.35, or 41.40 RCW.

(9) "Benefits contribution plan" means a premium only contribution plan, a medical flexible spending arrangement, or a cafeteria plan whereby state and public employees may agree to a contribution to benefit costs which will allow the employee to participate in benefits offered pursuant to 26 U.S.C. Sec. 125 or other sections of the internal revenue code.

(10) "Salary" means a state employee's monthly salary or wages.

(11) "Participant" means an individual who fulfills the eligibility and enrollment requirements under the benefits contribution plan.

(12) "Plan year" means the time period established by the authority.

(13) "Separated employees" means persons who separate from employment with an employer as defined in:

(a) RCW 41.32.010(11) on or after July 1, 1996; or

(b) RCW 41.35.010 on or after September 1, 2000; or

(c) RCW 41.40.010 on or after March 1, 2002;

and who are at least age fifty-five and have at least ten years of service under the teachers' retirement system plan 3 as defined in RCW 41.32.010(40), the Washington school employees' retirement system plan 3 as defined in RCW 41.35.010, or the public employees' retirement system plan 3 as defined in RCW 41.40.010.

(14) "Emergency service personnel killed in the line of duty" means law enforcement officers and fire fighters as defined in RCW 41.26.030, members of the Washington state patrol retirement fund as defined in RCW 43.43.120, and reserve officers and fire fighters as defined in RCW 41.24.010 who die as a result of injuries sustained in the course of employment as determined consistent with Title 51 RCW by the department of labor and industries.

(15) "Employer" means the state of Washington.

(16) "Employing agency" means a division, department, or separate agency of state government and a county, municipality, school district, educational service district, or other political subdivision, covered by this chapter.

**Sec. 3.** 2006 c 345 s 2 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and except for section 2 of this act takes effect immediately [May 7, 2001]. This act applies to all

surviving spouses and dependent children of (1) emergency service personnel (~~and~~), (2) members of the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system plan 2, and (3) members of the Washington state patrol retirement fund, killed in the line of duty.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 43.43 RCW to read as follows:

The legislature reserves the right to amend or repeal the reimbursement provisions of this act in the future and no member or beneficiary has a contractual right to receive any distribution not granted prior to that time.

**NEW SECTION. Sec. 5.** This act shall be known as "The Steve Frink's and Jim Saunder's Law" in honor of Steve Frink and Jim Saunders, Washington state patrol officers who were killed in the line of duty."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "benefits;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 43.43.285 and 41.05.011; amending 2006 c 345 s 2 (uncodified); adding a new section to chapter 43.43 RCW; and creating a new section."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1417 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Lovick and Alexander spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1417, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 1417, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby,

Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1417, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed HOUSE BILL NO. 1457, with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 26.28.060 and 1994 c 62 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Every person who shall employ, and every parent, guardian or other person having the care, custody or control of such child, who shall permit to be employed, by another, any child under the age of fourteen years at any labor whatever, in or in connection with any store, shop, factory, mine or any inside employment not connected with farm or house work, without the written permit thereto of a judge of a superior court of the county wherein such child may live, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to children employed as:

(a) Actors or performers in film, video, audio, or theatrical productions; or

(b) Youth soccer referees who have been certified by a national referee certification program."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "referees;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 26.28.060."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 1457 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

#### FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Lovick and Condotta spoke in favor the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be final passage of House Bill No. 1457, as amended by the Senate.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 1457, as amended by the Senate and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas - 95, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Excused - 3.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Barlow, Blake, Buri, Campbell, Chandler, Chase, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunn, Dunshee, Eddy, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Ericksen, Flannigan, Fromhold, Goodman, Grant, Green, Haigh, Hailey, Haler, Hankins, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jarrett, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Kretz, Kristiansen, Lantz, Linville, Lovick, McCoy, McCune, McDermott, McDonald, McIntire, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Newhouse, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schindler, Schual-Berke, Seaquist, Sells, Simpson, Skinner, Sommers, Springer, Strow, Sullivan, B., Sullivan, P., Sump, Takko, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Williams, Wood and Mr. Speaker - 95.

Excused: Representatives Curtis, Hinkle and Warnick - 3.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1457, as amended by the Senate having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed.

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

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 10:00 a.m., April 17, 2007, the 100th Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

RICHARD NAFZIGER, Chief Clerk