

RCW 19.68.010 are each amended to read as follows:

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or association, whether organized as a cooperative, or for profit or nonprofit, to pay, or offer to pay or allow, directly or indirectly, to any person licensed by the state of Washington to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery, drugless treatment in any form, ((or)) dentistry, or pharmacy and it shall be unlawful for such person to request, receive or allow, directly or indirectly, a rebate, refund, commission, unearned discount or profit by means of a credit or other valuable consideration in connection with the referral of patients to any person, firm, corporation or association, or in connection with the furnishings of medical, surgical or dental care, diagnosis, treatment or service, on the sale, rental, furnishing or supplying of clinical laboratory supplies or services of any kind, drugs, medication, or medical supplies, or any other goods, services or supplies prescribed for medical diagnosis, care or treatment: PROVIDED, That ownership of a financial interest in any firm, corporation or association which furnishes any kind of clinical laboratory or other services prescribed for medical, surgical, or dental diagnosis shall not be prohibited under this section where the referring practitioner affirmatively discloses to the patient in writing, the fact that such practitioner has a financial interest in such firm, corporation, or association.

Any person violating the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Passed the House April 3, 1973.

Passed the Senate March 31, 1973.

Approved by the Governor April 12, 1973.

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CHAPTER 27

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 2227]

SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES--

INCREASED

AN ACT Relating to courts; amending section 3, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 5, chapter 83, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.061; amending section 5, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 1, chapter 83, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.063; and amending section 7, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 2, chapter 83, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.065.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 5, chapter 83, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.061 are each amended to read as follows:

There shall be in the county of King ~~((twenty-six))~~ twenty-nine judges of the superior court; in the county of Spokane ~~((seven))~~ eight judges of the superior court; in the county of Pierce ten judges of the superior court.

Sec. 2. Section 5, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 1, chapter 83, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.063 are each amended to read as follows:

There shall be in the county of Lincoln one judge of the superior court; in the county of Skagit, two judges of the superior court; in the county of Walla Walla, two judges of the superior court; in the county of Whitman, one judge of the superior court; in the county of Yakima ~~((four))~~ five judges of the superior court; in the county of Adams, one judge of the superior court; in the county of Whatcom, two judges of the superior court.

Sec. 3. Section 7, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 2, chapter 83, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.065 are each amended to read as follows:

There shall be in the counties of Douglas and Grant jointly, two judges of the superior court; in the counties of Ferry and Okanogan jointly, one judge of the superior court; in the counties of Mason and Thurston jointly, ~~((three))~~ four judges of the superior court; in the counties of Pacific and Wahkiakum jointly, one judge of the superior court; in the counties of Pend Oreille and Stevens jointly, one judge of the superior court; and in the counties of San Juan and Island jointly, one judge of the superior court: PROVIDED, That this act shall only take effect in the event the legislature shall appropriate funds for the 1973-75 biennium to carry out the purpose of this 1973 act.

Passed the Senate March 24, 1973.

Passed the House April 5, 1973.

Approved by the Governor April 14, 1973.

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CHAPTER 28

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2312]

PUBLIC PRINTING--LEGAL NOTICES--

RATES INCREASED

AN ACT Relating to rates for printing; amending section 36.72.050,