

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. Section 3, chapter 125, Laws of 1974 ex. sess., section 2, chapter 50, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. (uncodified) are each repealed.

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CHAPTER 288

[Second Substitute House Bill No. 449]

WASHINGTON STATE WOMEN'S COMMISSION

AN ACT Relating to state government; creating the Washington state women's commission; creating a new chapter in Title 43 RCW; making an appropriation; and providing an expiration date for the Washington state women's commission.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The legislature reaffirms that the public policy of this state is to insure equal opportunity for all of its citizens. The legislature finds that women have unique and special problems. It is the purpose of this chapter to improve the status and well-being of women by insuring their full and equal participation in government, business and education and recognizing their contribution to the home, family, and community. The legislature further finds that it is desirable to direct a continuing evaluation and study of state laws and rules as they affect women; and further, to encourage the education of the citizens of this state in respect to public policy as it relates to the diverse pursuits of women, and to encourage the promotion of equality. Therefore, the legislature deems it necessary to create a commission to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is established a Washington state women's commission in the office of the governor. Upon the effective date of this act, the Washington state women's commission shall replace the Washington state women's council, and all equipment, files, and records of the council shall be transferred to the commission.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) The commission shall consist of fourteen members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Two members of the senate, not of the same political party, appointed by the president of the senate, and two members of the house of representatives, not of the same political party, appointed by the speaker of the house, shall serve as advisory members. The governor shall consider nominations for membership based upon maintaining a balanced distribution of ethnic, geographic, sex, age, and occupational representation, where practicable.

(2) All women's commission members shall serve at the pleasure of the governor, but in no case shall any member serve more than three years without formal reappointment by the governor. All legislative advisory members shall serve for a two year term, and the position of any legislative advisory member shall be deemed vacated whenever such member ceases to be a member of the house from which he or she was appointed. Of the persons initially appointed by the governor to the women's commission, five shall be appointed to serve one year, five to serve two years,

and four to serve three years. Upon expiration of such terms, subsequent appointments shall be for three years. Any vacancies occurring in the membership of the commission shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointments.

(3) Members shall be reimbursed for subsistence, lodging, and transportation expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 as now existing or hereafter amended.

(4) Fifty percent of the membership plus one shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting business.

(5) The governor shall appoint an executive director of the commission.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The executive director shall appoint a staff who shall be state employees pursuant to Title 41 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. The commission shall adopt, pursuant to chapter 34.04 RCW, the Administrative Procedure Act, rules necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. (1) The commission shall examine and define issues pertaining to the rights and needs of all women and make recommendations to the governor, the legislature, and state agencies with respect to desirable changes in programs, laws, and administrative practices.

(2) The commission shall further advise such state agencies on the development and implementation of comprehensive and coordinated policies, plans, and programs focusing on the special problems and needs of women.

(3) The commission is authorized to gather data and disseminate information to the public in order to implement the purposes of this chapter.

(4) Each state department and agency shall provide appropriate and reasonable assistance to the commission as needed in order that the commission may carry out the purposes of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. In carrying out its duties the commission may establish such relationships with public and private institutions, local governments, private industry, community organizations, and other segments of the general public as may be needed to promote equal opportunity for women in government, education, economic security, employment, and services.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. The commission shall have authority to receive such gifts, grants, and endowments from private sources as may be made from time to time in trust or otherwise for the use and benefit of the purposes of the commission and to expend the same or any income therefrom according to the terms of said gifts, grants, or endowments, and the purposes of this chapter. The executive director shall make a report of such funds received from private sources to the legislative budget committee on a current basis. Such funds received from private sources shall not be applied to reduce or substitute for the commission's budget as appropriated by the legislature, but, shall be applied and expended toward projects and functions authorized by this chapter which were not funded by the legislature.

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 shall constitute a new chapter in Title 43 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. To carry out the provisions of this act there is appropriated to the Washington state women's commission from the general fund for the biennium ending June 30, 1979, the sum of two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as shall be necessary.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. The Washington state women's commission shall cease to exist on June 30, 1983, unless extended by law for an additional fixed period of time.

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CHAPTER 289

[Substitute House Bill No. 564]

WASHINGTON SUNSET ACT OF 1977

AN ACT Relating to state government; amending section 43.06.010, chapter 8, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 25, chapter 108, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 43.06.010; creating new sections; repealing section 1, chapter 201, Laws of 1967, section 1, chapter 97, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and RCW 18.28.010; repealing section 2, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.020; repealing section 3, chapter 201, Laws of 1967, section 6, chapter 266, Laws of 1971 ex. sess., section 23, chapter 30, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 18.28.030; repealing section 4, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.040; repealing section 5, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.050; repealing section 6, chapter 201, Laws of 1967, section 1, chapter 141, Laws of 1967 ex. sess., section 20, chapter 292, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 18.28.060; repealing section 7, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.070; repealing section 8, chapter 201, Laws of 1967, section 2, chapter 141, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.28.080; repealing section 9, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.090; repealing section 10, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.100; repealing section 11, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.110; repealing section 12, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.120; repealing section 13, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.130; repealing section 14, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.140; repealing section 15, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.150; repealing section 16, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.160; repealing section 17, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.170; repealing section 18, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.180; repealing section 19, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.190; repealing section 20, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.200; repealing section 21, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.210; repealing section 22, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.220; repealing section 23, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.900; repealing section 24, chapter 201, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.28.910; repealing section 1, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.010; repealing section 2, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.020; repealing section 3, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess., section 70, chapter 30, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.030; repealing section 4, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.040; repealing section 5, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.050; repealing section 6, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess., section 71, chapter 30, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.060; repealing section 7, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.070; repealing section 8, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.080; repealing section 9, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.090; repealing section 11, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.900; repealing section 13, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.910; repealing section 12, chapter 72, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 18.82.920; repealing section 2533, Code of 1881 and RCW 19.44.010; repealing section 2536, Code of 1881 and RCW 19.44.020; repealing section 2534, Code of 1881 and RCW 19.44.030; repealing section 2532, Code of 1881 and RCW 19.44.040; repealing section 2535, Code of 1881 and RCW 19.44.050; repealing section 1, chapter 200, Laws of 1907 and RCW 88.04.010; repealing section 27, chapter 200, Laws of 1907, section 1, chapter 137, Laws of 1947, section 177, chapter 34, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 88.04.020; repealing section 28, chapter 200, Laws of 1907 and