

The (~~secretary of the department of social and health services~~) commission shall employ (~~and furnish~~) such other staff as are necessary to fulfill the responsibilities and duties of the commission, such staff to be subject to the civil service law, chapter 41.06 RCW, and under the supervision of the (~~commission and its~~) executive director. In addition, the commission may contract with third parties for services necessary to carry out its activities where this will promote economy, avoid duplication of effort, and make best use of available expertise.

Any such contractor or consultant shall be prohibited from releasing, publishing, or otherwise using any information made available to it under its contractual responsibility, without specific permission of the commission.

The commission may apply for and receive and accept grants, gifts, and other payments, including property and service, from any governmental or other public or private entity or person, and may make arrangements as to the use of these receipts, including the undertaking of special studies and other projects relating to hospital health care costs.

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CHAPTER 36

[Senate Bill No. 2091]

HOSPITAL COMMISSION—TERMS

AN ACT Relating to the hospital commission; and amending section 5, chapter 5, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 70.39.040.

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

Section 1. Section 5, chapter 5, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 70.39.040 are each amended to read as follows:

Members of the commission shall serve for four-year terms (~~and~~): PROVIDED, That upon the expiration of the initial four-year terms, two persons shall be appointed for three-year terms and three persons for four-year terms and thereafter all members of the commission shall serve for four-year terms. Appointments shall require senate confirmation. No member shall serve on the commission for more than two consecutive terms. A vacancy shall be filled by appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term and the initial appointments and vacancies shall not require senate confirmation until the legislature next convenes.

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