within the scope of this 1977 act would be less than those charged to any such students from any other state four year institution who participates in such joint program, impose a supplemental fee upon its resident students so participating in order to make the tuition and fees charged to them equal to the highest amount charged to any other resident student from a state four year institution who participates in the program. Such governing board shall, where the tuition and fees which it charges nonresident students participating in a joint program falling within the scope of this 1977 act would be less than those charged to any such students participating from any other state four year institution who participates in such joint program, impose a supplemental fee upon its nonresident students so participating in order to make the tuition and fees charged to them equal to the highest amount charged to any other nonresident student from a state four year institution who participates in the program.

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## CHAPTER 127

## [Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2310] SALARIES OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

AN ACT Relating to salaries of public officials; amending section 43.03.028, chapter 8, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 2, chapter 43, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and RCW 43.03.028; and amending section 43.03.040, chapter 8, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 3, chapter 43, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and RCW 43.03.040.

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

Section 1. Section 43.03.028, chapter 8, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 2, chapter 43, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and RCW 43.03.028 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) There is hereby created a ((committee to be known as the)) state committee on salaries((7)) to consist of seven members, or their designees, as follows: The president of the University of Puget Sound ((or his nominee)); the president of Washington State University ((or his nominee)); the ((chairman)) chairperson of the State Personnel Board; the president of the Association of Washington Business; the president of the Pacific Northwest Personnel Managers' Association; the president of the Washington State Bar Association ((7)); and the president of the Washington State Labor Council ((or his nominee)). If any of the titles or positions mentioned in this subsection are changed or abolished, any person occupying an equivalent or like position shall be qualified for appointment by the governor to membership upon the committee.
- (((1))) (2) The committee ((herein created)) shall study the duties and salaries of the directors of the several departments and the members of the several boards and commissions of state government, who are subject to appointment by the governor or whose salaries are fixed by the governor, and of the chief executive officers of the following agencies of state government:

The ((director of game, the director of highways, the director of aeronautics, the director of parks and recreation, the director of the veterans' rehabilitation council and the statutory assistant directors of all departments the executive head of which is an individual appointed by the governor, and to recommend)) arts commission; the human rights commission; the board of accountancy; the board of pharmacy; the capitol historical association and museum; the eastern Washington historical society; the Washington state historical society; the interagency committee for outdoor recreation; the criminal justice training commission; the oceanographic commission; the department of personnel; the state finance committee; the state library; the traffic safety commission; the horse racing commission; the commission for vocational education; the advisory council on vocational education; the public disclosure commission; the hospital commission; the state conservation commission; the commission on Mexican-American affairs; the commission on Asian-American affairs; the state board for volunteer firemen; the urban arterial board; the data processing authority; the public employees relations commission; the forest practices appeals board; and the energy facilities site evaluation council.

The committee shall report to the governor ((the salaries to be fixed for each respective position. Such recommendations shall be submitted to the governor in writing)) or the chairperson of the appropriate salary fixing authority at least once in each fiscal biennium on such date as the governor may designate, but not later than seventy-five days prior to the convening of the legislature, its recommendations for the salaries to be fixed for each position.

- (((2))) (3) The committee shall also make a study of the duties and salaries of all state elective officials, including members of the supreme, appellate, superior, and district courts and ((of the)) members of the legislature((, and also a study of the duties and salaries of county elective officials,)) and report to the governor and the ((legislative council)) president of the senate and the speaker of the house not later than sixty days prior to the convening of each regular session of the legislature ((and recommend)) its recommendation for the salaries to be established for each position.
- (4) Committee members shall be reimbursed by the department of personnel for travel expenses under RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.
- Sec. 2. Section 43.03.040, chapter 8, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 3, chapter 43, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and RCW 43.03.040 are each amended to read as follows:

The directors of the several departments and members of the several boards and commissions, ((who are subject to appointment)) whose salaries are fixed by the governor((7)) and the ((director of game, the director of highways, the director of aeronautics, the director of parks and recreation, the director of the veterans' rehabilitation council and the statutory assistant directors of all departments the executive head of which is an individual appointed by the governor,)) chief executive officers of the agencies named in RCW 43.03.028(2) as now or hereafter amended shall each severally receive such salaries, payable in monthly installments, as shall be fixed by the governor or the appropriate salary fixing authority, in an amount

not to exceed the recommendations of the committee on salaries ((created in RCW 43.03.028, upon the basis of official responsibility)).

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## CHAPTER 128

## [Substitute Senate Bill No. 2356] PRECINCTS

AN ACT Relating to precincts; amending section 29.04.040, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 3, chapter 129, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 29.04.040; amending section 29.04.050, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.04.050; amending section 1, chapter 129, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 29.04.130; amending section 2, chapter 129, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 29.04.140; adding a new section to chapter 239, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 43.41 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 29.04.040, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 3, chapter 129, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 29.04.040 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) No paper ballot precinct shall contain more than three hundred voters. ((If at any election three hundred or more votes are cast at any such voting place, the secretary of state as ex officio chief election officer, shall report that fact to the city council, if it is a precinct lying within a first class city or to the county legislative authority if it is any other precinct.)) The ((city council of the first class city or the)) county legislative authority ((as the case may be, shall)) may divide, alter, or combine precincts so that, whenever practicable ((such)), over populated precincts shall contain no more than two hundred fifty registered voters in anticipation of future growth((, subject to the requirements and limitations of subsection (2) of this section)).
- (2) Precinct boundaries may be altered at any time as long as sufficient time exists prior to a given election for the necessary procedural steps to be honored: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That no precinct boundaries shall be changed during the period starting as of the thirtieth day prior to the first day for candidates to file for the ((September)) primary election and ending with the day of the ((November)) general election ((held in the even-numbered years: PROVIDED FURTHER, That no precinct boundaries shall be changed nor shall any precinct be created, divided, abolished, or consolidated during the period between February 1st of any year whose last digit is seven and December 1st of any year whose last digit is one, except whose boundaries are changed due to annexation or detachment)).
- (3) Precincts in which voting machines or electronic voting devices are used may contain as many as nine hundred registered voters((, subject to the requirements and limitations of subsection (2) of this section)): PROVIDED, That ((the counties shall make such changes in the size of the precincts in anticipation of future growth, subject to the requirements and limitations of subsection (2) of this