"AN ACT Relating to social and health services."

In making much needed revisions in the law to eliminate language offensive to certain of our citizens, the legislature has inadvertently made substantial changes in the law relating to marriage by repealing, in sections 17, 18, 19 and 20 of this bill, the basic prohibitions to be set forth by affidavit of persons desiring to marry. These alterations go far beyond the intent of this bill and should be given close attention by the legislature at some future date.

For the foregoing reasons, I have determined to veto sections 17, 18, 19, and 20. With the exception of those sections, I have approved the remainder of Substitute Senate Bill No. 2872."

CHAPTER 81

[Senate Bill No. 2014] INDIANS

AN ACT Relating to Indians; amending section 95, page 117, Laws of 1854 as last amended by section 1069, Code of 1881 and RCW 10.52.020; amending section 1, chapter 177, Laws of 1903 and RCW 27.28.010; amending section 1, chapter 187, Laws of 1925 ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 35, Laws of 1973 and RCW 27.32.010; repealing section 29.85.150, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.85.150; and repealing section 2, page 500, Laws of 1890 and RCW 64.20.020.

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

Section 1. Section 95, page 117, Laws of 1854 as last amended by section 1069, Code of 1881 and RCW 10.52.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Witnesses competent to testify in civil cases shall be competent in criminal prosecutions, but regular physicians or surgeons, clergymen or priests, shall be protected from testifying as to confessions, or information received from any defendant, by virtue of their profession and character((; Indians shall be competent witnesses as hereinbefore provided, or in any prosecutions in which an Indian may be a defendant)).

Sec. 2. Section 1, chapter 177, Laws of 1903 and RCW 27.28.010 are each amended to read as follows:

The Washington state historical society, a corporation existing under the laws of the state of Washington, be and the same is hereby created the trustee of the state for the intent and purposes hereinafter mentioned, viz.:

It shall be the duty of the said society

(1) To collect books, maps, charts, papers, and materials illustrative of the history of this state, and of its progress and development.

(2) To procure from pioneers authentic narrative of their experiences and of incidents relating to the early settlement of this state.

(3) To gather data and information concerning the origin, history, language, and customs of ((our)) <u>native</u> Indian tribes.

(4) To procure and purchase books, papers and pamphlets for the several departments of its collections; climatic, health and mortuary statistics, and such other books, maps, charts, papers and materials as will facilitate the investigation of the historical, scientific and literary subjects.

(5) To bind, shelf, store and safely keep the unbound books, documents, manuscripts, pamphlets and newspaper files now or hereafter to come into its possession.

(6) To catalogue the collections of said society for the convenient reference of persons having occasion to consult same.

(7) To prepare biennially for publication a report of its collections and such other matters relating to the work of the society as may be useful to the state and the people thereof.

(8) To keep its rooms open at all reasonable hours of business days for the reception of citizens and visitors without charge.

Sec. 3. Section 1, chapter 187, Laws of 1925 ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 35, Laws of 1973 and RCW 27.32.010 are each amended to read as follows:

The Eastern Washington state historical society, a corporation existing under the laws of the state of Washington, be and the same is hereby created a trustee of the state of Washington for the intent and purposes hereinafter mentioned:

It shall be the duty of the said society

(1) To collect books, maps, charts, papers and materials illustrative of the history of this state, and of its progress and development.

(2) To procure from pioneers authentic narrative of their experiences and of incidents relating to the early settlement of this state.

(3) To gather data and information concerning the origin, history, language, and customs of ((our)) <u>native</u> Indian tribes.

(4) To procure and purchase books, papers and pamphlets for the several departments of its collections, climatic, health and mortuary statistics, and such other books, maps, charts, papers and materials as will facilitate the investigation of the historical, scientific and literary subjects.

(5) To bind, shelf, store and safely keep the unbound books, documents, manuscripts, pamphlets and newspaper files now or hereafter to come into its possession.

(6) To catalogue the collections of said society for the convenient reference of persons having occasion to consult same.

(7) To prepare biennially for publication a report of its collections and such other matters relating to the work of the society as may be useful to the state and people thereof.

(8) To keep its rooms open at all reasonable hours of business days for the reception of citizens and visitors, without charge.

(9) To develop, purchase, and acquire through gift, loan, or otherwise, collections of history and art, which through exhibit and exhibition, will promote a better understanding of the cultural development of the state, and to otherwise encourage the application of history and art.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed: (1) Section 29.85.150, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.85.150; and (2) Section 2, page 500, Laws of 1890 and RCW 64.20.020.

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