

CHAPTER 442

[Substitute House Bill No. 178]

WASHINGTON STATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM—STATE GOVERNMENT
EXPERIENCE FOR STUDENTS AND STATE EMPLOYEES

AN ACT Relating to the Washington state internship program; adding new sections to chapter 43.06 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 41.06 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 28B.16 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. There is established within the office of the governor the Washington state internship program to assist students and state employees in gaining valuable experience and knowledge in various areas of state government. In administering the program, the governor shall:

(1) Consult with the secretary of state, the director of personnel, the director of the higher education personnel board, the commissioner of the employment security department, and representatives of labor;

(2) Encourage and assist agencies in developing intern positions;

(3) Develop and coordinate a selection process for placing individuals in intern positions. This selection process shall give due regard to the responsibilities of the state to provide equal employment opportunities;

(4) Develop and coordinate a training component of the internship program which balances the need for training and exposure to new ideas with the intern's and agency's need for on-the-job work experience;

(5) Work with institutions of higher education in developing the program, soliciting qualified applicants, and selecting participants; and

(6) Develop guidelines for compensation of the participants.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. (1) The governor may appoint a coordinator to assist in administering the program created by section 1 of this act.

(2) The governor shall adopt such rules as are necessary to administer section 1 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The state internship program shall consist of two individual internship programs as follows:

(1) An undergraduate internship program consisting of three-month to six-month positions for students working toward an undergraduate degree. In addition, a public sector employee, whether working toward a degree or not, shall be eligible to participate in the program upon the written recommendation of the head of the employee's agency.

(2) An executive fellows program consisting of one-year to two-year placements for students who have successfully completed at least one year of graduate level work and have demonstrated a substantial interest in public sector management. Positions in this program shall be as assistants or analysts at the midmanagement level or higher. In addition, a public sector employee, whether working toward an advanced degree or not, or who has

not successfully completed one year of graduate-level work as required by this subsection, shall be eligible to participate in the program upon the written recommendation of the head of the employee's agency. Participants in the executive fellows program who were not public employees prior to accepting a position in the program shall receive insurance and retirement credit commensurate with other employees of the employing agency.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The state personnel board and the higher education personnel board shall each adopt rules to provide that:

(1) Successful completion of an internship under section 3 of this act shall be considered as employment experience at the level at which the intern was placed;

(2) Persons leaving classified or exempt positions in state government in order to take an internship under section 3 of this act: (a) Have the right of reversion to the previous position at any time during the internship or upon completion of the internship; and (b) shall continue to receive all fringe benefits as if they had never left their classified or exempt positions;

(3) Participants in the undergraduate internship program who were not public employees prior to accepting a position in the program receive sick leave allowances commensurate with other state employees;

(4) Participants in the executive fellows program who were not public employees prior to accepting a position in the program receive sick and vacation leave allowances commensurate with other state employees.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. The state personnel board shall adopt rules to provide that persons successfully completing an internship under the executive fellows program created under section 3 of this act are eligible for positions in the career executive program under RCW 41.06.430.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. An agency shall not be deemed to exceed any limitation on full time equivalent staff positions on the basis of intern positions established under section 3 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. Sections 1 through 6 of this act are each added to chapter 43.06 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. A new section is added to chapter 41.06 RCW to read as follows:

This chapter does not apply to positions under the state internship program established under section 1 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. A new section is added to chapter 28B.16 RCW to read as follows:

This chapter does not apply to positions under the state internship program established under section 1 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. Nothing in this act shall be construed to limit the authority of state agencies to continue or establish other internship programs or positions.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. 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.

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CHAPTER 443

[Substitute House Bill No. 242]

CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION—GOOD SAMARITAN LAW—MISSING CHILDREN CLEARINGHOUSE

AN ACT Relating to rights of crime victims, survivors of crime victims, and witnesses of crime; amending RCW 7.69.010, 7.69.020, 7.69.030, 9.94A.110, 9.94A.120, 9.94A.140, 7.68.020, 7.68.030, 7.68.035, 7.68.060, 7.68.070, 7.68.130, 4.24.300, 4.24.310, and 9.69.100; adding new sections to chapter 7.69 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 9.94A RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 13 RCW; creating a new section; making appropriations; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 145, Laws of 1981 and RCW 7.69.010 are each amended to read as follows:

In recognition of the severe and detrimental impact of crime on victims, survivors of victims, and witnesses of crime and the civic and moral duty of victims, survivors of victims, and witnesses of crimes to fully and voluntarily cooperate with law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies, and in further recognition of the continuing importance of such citizen cooperation to state and local law enforcement efforts and the general effectiveness and well-being of the criminal justice system of this state, the legislature declares its intent, in this chapter, to grant to the victims of crime and the survivors of such victims a significant role in the criminal justice system. The legislature further intends to ensure that all victims and witnesses of crime are treated with dignity, respect, courtesy, and sensitivity; and that the rights extended in this chapter to victims, survivors of victims, and witnesses of crime are honored and protected by law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, and judges in a manner no less vigorous than the protections afforded criminal defendants.

Sec. 2. Section 2, chapter 145, Laws of 1981 and RCW 7.69.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Crime" means an act (~~committed by an adult or juvenile in this state which, if committed by a competent adult person, would constitute a~~