

Legislative Ethics Board

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LEGISLATIVE ETHICS BOARD MINUTES December 8, 2025

Present were: Larry Hoff, Chair; Sen. Pedersen (virtual); Jessica Roberts (virtual); Lynda Wilson (virtual); Rep. Steele (virtual); Pam Tajima Praeger (virtual); Jennifer Strus, Board Counsel; Jeannie Gorrell, Senate Counsel (virtual); Ohad Lowy, House Counsel (virtual); Chad Standifer, AAG; Julia Eisentrout, AAG

The chair called the public portion of the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

The minutes for the October 15, 2025 Board meeting were approved.

There were three Employment Disclosure forms to review. Bruce Robinson works for House Security and his wife is employed as an Executive Assistant for the Department of Corrections; Paul Seabaugh is an LA for a House member and his wife works for the Liquor and Cannabis Board as a licensing specialist; and Eyob Frederick is employed by House Security and also by the Department of Corrections as a corrections officer. The Board found no conflicts present.

Board counsel discussed the proposed rule change to conform Board Rule 6B to the changes made to RCW 42.52.480 last session that unlink the fines levied by the Board from the costs that could be imposed by the Board when reasonable cause that the Ethics Act was violated is found. The Board approved the proposed rule change.

Board counsel discussed proposed Advisory Opinion 2025-No. 3 with the Board. The opinion further defines what is meant by "letter of recommendation" as used in RCW 42.52.187(1). The Board approved the draft as written.

The Board discussed the proposed meeting dates for 2026. Board counsel was directed to send the dates to all members to determine whether there were any conflicts.

There was no public testimony.

The public portion of the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am

The executive session portion of the meeting was begun at 10:25 am and adjourned at 11:38 am.



Larry Hoff, Chair

Date: 1/20/26

The entirety of the public portion of this meeting can be viewed on TVW at the attached link <https://tvw.org/video/legislative-ethics-board-2025121075/?eventID=2025121075>