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CHAPTER 191 [Substitute House Bill No. 90] STATE PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS---FILING REQUIREMENTS

AN ACT Relating to filing of personal service contracts; and adding a new chapter to Title 39 RCW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 1. On and after the effective date of this chapter all personal service contracts, including renewals and amendments of existing contracts, entered into by any state officer or activity of the executive and judicial branches of state including agencies, departments, government, state offices, divisions, boards, commissions, and educational, correctional and other types of institutions, shall be filed with the office of program planning and fiscal management and the legislative budget committee at least ten days prior to the date any work commences under such contracts regardless of the source of funds. The director of the office of program planning and fiscal management may exempt on a limited basis specific classes of personal service contracts involving activities of the executive and judicial branches after preparation of documented justification and consultation with the PROVIDED, That approval of the legislative budget committee: exemption is granted prior to commencement of the contract work.

In special emergency cases when work commencement is clearly a major and overriding factor and immediate contract action is mandatory, filing may be delayed for personal service contracts involving executive and judicial branches by the director of the office of program planning and fiscal management after consultation with the legislative auditor: PROVIDED, That such filing shall be made prior to commencement of the contract work with documented justification for the filing delay.

Standing and other committees of the legislature and officers or employees of the legislative branch shall file personal service contracts with the legislative budget committee and the office of program planning and fiscal management in accordance with the ten day time limitation set forth in this section. This requirement conforms with legislative intent that all personal service contracts negotiated within state government shall be subject to periodic and centralized legislative review. Requests by legislative committees or personnel for either exemptions or delays in filing individual personal service contracts shall be forwarded to the legislative budget committee for review and maintenance of a central control file for use in preparation of summary reports on personal service

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contracts as directed by the legislature. Filing of personal service contracts delayed for emergency purposes shall be made not more than five days after commencement of the contract work involved.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. No state officer or activity of state government subject to this chapter shall expend any funds for without first complying with the personal service contracts provisions of section 1 of this act. Except in cases where filing delay has been authorized under section 1 of this act, no contract shall become effective until ten days following the date of filing pursuant to this chapter, or the effective date of the contract whichever is later. The state officer or employee executing the personal service contracts shall be responsible for compliance with the filing requirements of this chapter. Failure to comply with the filing requirements of this act shall subject the state officer or employee to a civil penalty in the amount of three hundred dollars.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. This chapter shall not apply to the Washington state apple advertising commission, the Washington state fruit commission, the Washington state dairy products commission, or any agricultural commodity commission created under the provisions of chapter 15.66 RCW and exempted from the budget and accounting system by chapter 43.88 RCW except for special provisions concerning budget submissions and audits.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. Sections 1 through 3 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 39 RCW.

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CHAPTER 192 [House Bill No. 1269] CLALLAM-JEPFERSON COUNTIES---SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES

AN ACT Relating to the superior courts; and amending section 6, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 3, chapter 83, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.064; and making an appropriation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Section 1. Section 6, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 3, chapter 83, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.064 are each amended to read as follows:

There shall be in the counties of Benton and Franklin jointly, three judges of the superior court; in the counties of Clallam and