# SIXTY SECOND LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

# FIFTY EIGHTH DAY

House Chamber, Olympia, Tuesday, March 6, 2012

March 5, 2012

# MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed: ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6406 and the same are herewith transmitted. Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

March 5, 2012

# MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate concurred in the House amendment(s) to the following bills and passed the bills as amended by the House: ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6355 SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6403 and the same are herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

# INTRODUCTIONS AND FIRST READING

E2SSB 5250 by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, King, White and Swecker)

AN ACT Relating to the design-build procedure for certain projects; and amending RCW 47.20.780 and 47.20.785.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SSB 6073 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Regala, Rolfes and Carrell)

AN ACT Relating to sales and use taxes related to the state route number 16 corridor improvements project; and amending RCW 47.46.060.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

<u>SSB 6277</u> by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Conway, Becker, Kastama, Schoesler, Kilmer, Kohl-Welles and Regala)

AN ACT Relating to creating authority for counties to exempt from property taxation new and rehabilitated multiple-unit dwellings in certain unincorporated urban centers; amending RCW 84.14.007, 84.14.030, 84.14.040, 84.14.050, 84.14.070, 84.14.090, 84.14.100, and 84.14.110; and reenacting and amending RCW 84.14.010 and 84.14.060.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

ESSB 6406 by Senate Committee on Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters (originally sponsored by Senators

The House was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by the Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding). The Clerk called the roll and a quorum was present.

The flags were escorted to the rostrum by a Sergeant at Arms Color Guard, Pages Clair Conley and Keaton Dahlinger. The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) led the Chamber in the Pledge of Allegiance. The prayer was offered by Pastor Dan Hammer, Sonrise Christian Center, Everett Washington.

Reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was ordered to stand approved.

# MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

March 5, 2012

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed:

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5250 ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6607 ENGROSSED SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8221 and the same are herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

March 5, 2012

#### MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed:

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6073 SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6277

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 62/7 SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6581

and the same are herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

March 5, 2012

#### MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate receded from its amendment(s) to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2640, and passed the bill without said amendments. .

and the same are herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

March 5, 2012

# MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate receded from its amendment(s) to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2361, and passed the bill without said amendments.

and the same are herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

Hargrove, Hobbs, Delvin, Hatfield, Tom, Stevens, Regala, Morton, Ranker and Shin)

AN ACT Relating to modifying programs that provide for the protection of the state's natural resources; amending RCW 77.55.021, 77.55.151, 77.55.231, 76.09.040, 76.09.050, 76.09.150, 76.09.065, 76.09.470, 76.09.030, 43.21C.031, 43.21C.229, 82.02.020, 36.70A.490, 36.70A.500, 43.21C.110, 43.21C.095, and 90.48.260; reenacting and amending RCW 77.55.011, 76.09.060, and 76.09.020; adding new sections to chapter 77.55 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 76.09 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.30 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 43.21C RCW; creating new sections; prescribing penalties; providing a contingent effective date; and providing expiration dates.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

<u>SSB 6581</u> by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Murray)

AN ACT Relating to eliminating accounts and funds; amending RCW 70.94.6532, 43.330.090, 43.99G.020, 28A.300.440, 82.32.393, 82.45.210, 43.79A.040, 50.04.070, 50.04.072, 50.16.010, 43.330.310, 43.99I.020, 43.99Q.130, 78.56.080, 28B.95.150, 59.22.020, 59.22.032, 59.22.034, 42.16.011. 42.16.012, 28B.109.020, 28B.109.040, 28B.133.030, and 43.31A.400; reenacting and amending RCW 43.84.092; creating a new section; repealing RCW 82.14.200, 82.14.210, 70.05.125, 43.330.092, 82.14.380, 28B.57.050, 76.09.400, 43.155.055, 43.211.050, 28A.300.445, 43.63A.760, 50.12.280, 43.79.485, 82.45.200, 90.88.060, 50.16.015, 43.43.565, 41.04.395, 43.21K.170, 77.65.230, 38.52.106, 43.176.040, 43.340.120, 43.155.100, 59.22.030, 43.72.904, 42.16.016, 42.26.010, 28B.109.050, 70.94.630, 82.32.392, 28B.109.060, 43.43.866, and 66.08.235; repealing 1997 c 149 s 707 (uncodified); repealing 2000 2nd sp.s. c 1 ss 711, 717, and 719 (uncodified); repealing 2007 c 522 s 1621 (uncodified); making an appropriation; and providing an effective date.

ESSB 6607 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Frockt, Kastama, Hatfield, Harper, Hargrove, Hill, Murray, Becker, Hobbs and Hewitt)

AN ACT Relating to the central service costs of state government; amending RCW 40.07.040, 43.19.742, and 43.19.565; adding a new section to chapter 43.19 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

ESJR 8221 by Senators Parlette, Kilmer, Benton, Murray, Brown, King, Hewitt, Becker and Morton

Referred to Committee on Capital Budget.

There being no objection, the bills and joint resolution listed on the day's introduction sheet under the fourth order of business were referred to the committees so designated, with the exception of SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6581 which was read the first time, and under suspension of the rules, was placed on the second reading calendar. The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) introduced Representative Stanford's daughter Valerie, his wife Cheryl and his parents Monty and Debbie and asked the chamber to acknowledge them.

#### SECOND READING

### HOUSE BILL NO. 2803, by Representative Cody

#### Concerning health care services for incarcerated offenders.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Cody and Schmick spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of House Bill No. 2803.

#### MOTIONS

On motion of Representative Hinkle, Representatives Anderson, Condotta, Hope and Nealey were excused. On motion of Representative Van De Wege, Representative Liias was excused.

### **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of House Bill No. 2803, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 93; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Excused: Representatives Anderson, Condotta, Hope, Liias and Nealey.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2803, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6493, by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Regala, Hargrove, Stevens, Harper, Kline, Carrell and Shin)

Addressing sexually violent predator civil commitment cases.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, the committee amendment by the Committee on Ways & Means was adopted. (For Committee amendment, see Journal, Day 55, March 3, 2012).

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill, as amended by the House, was placed on final passage.

Representatives Hurst and Pearson spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6493, as amended by the House.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6493, as amended by the House, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 93; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Excused: Representatives Anderson, Condotta, Hope, Liias and Nealey.

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6493, as amended by the House, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6494, by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Regala and Carrell)

Improving truancy procedures by changing the applicability of mandatory truancy petition filing provisions to children under seventeen years of age, requiring initial petitions to contain information about the child's academic status, prohibiting issuance of a bench warrant at an initial truancy status hearing, and modifying school district reporting requirements after the court assumes jurisdiction in a truancy case.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, the committee amendment by the Committee on Judiciary was adopted. (For Committee amendment, see Journal, Day 44, February 21, 2012).

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill, as amended by the House, was placed on final passage. Representatives Pedersen and Dammeier spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6494, as amended by the House.

# **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6494, as amended by the House, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 91; Nays, 2; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Voting nay: Representatives Hinkle and Rivers.

Excused: Representatives Anderson, Condotta, Hope, Liias and Nealey.

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6494, as amended by the House, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### SENATE BILL NO. 6545, by Senator Murray

Transferring the powers, duties, and functions of the developmental disabilities endowment from the department of health to the department of commerce.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Dickerson and Johnson spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Senate Bill No. 6545.

# **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Senate Bill No. 6545, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 93; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Excused: Representatives Anderson, Condotta, Hope, Liias and Nealey.

SENATE BILL NO. 6545, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 2620, by Representative Hunter

Addressing the management and investment of state funds and accounts.

The bill was read the second time.

Representative Hunter moved the adoption of amendment (941).

On page 2, line 9, after "fund." strike all material through "(3)))" on line 16 and insert "The investment of private moneys in the fund shall be managed by the state investment board.

(2) At the request of the higher education coordinating board, the state investment board shall release earnings from the ((endowment fund)) private moneys invested by it to the state treasurer. ((The state treasurer shall then release those funds at the request of the higher education coordinating board for scholarships. No appropriation is required for expenditures from the endowment fund.)) (3)"

On page 2, line 22, strike "(((4))) (3)" and insert "(4)"

On page 2, line 23, after "subsection" strike "(((3))) (2)" and insert "(3)"

On page 2, line 25, strike "(((5))) (4)" and insert "(5)"

On page 3, line 4, after "fund." strike all material through "(3)))" on line 10 and insert "<u>The investment of private moneys in the fund</u> shall be managed by the state investment board.

(2) At the request of the office, the state investment board shall release earnings from the ((endowment fund)) private moneys invested by it to the state treasurer. ((The state treasurer shall then release those funds at the request of the office for scholarships. No appropriation is required for expenditures from the endowment fund.))

(3)''

On page 3, line 15, strike "(((4))) (3)" and insert "(4)"

On page 3, line 16, after "subsection" strike "(((3))) (2)" and insert "(3)"

On page 3, line 18, strike " $(((\frac{5}{5})))$  (4)" and insert "(5)"

Beginning on page 3, line 33, after "law." strike all material through "(3)))" on page 4, line 4 and insert "The investment of private moneys in the fund shall be managed by the state investment board.

(2) At the request of the higher education coordinating board, the state investment board shall release earnings from the ((endowment fund)) private moneys invested by it to the state treasurer. ((The state treasurer shall then release those funds at the request of the higher education coordinating board for scholarships. No appropriation is required for expenditures from the endowment fund.))

(3)"

On page 4, line 7, strike "(((4))) (3)" and insert "(4)"

On page 4, line 12, strike "(((5))) (4)" and insert "(5)"

On page 4, line 16, after "subsection" strike "(((4))) (3)" and insert "(4)"

On page 4, line 18, strike "(((<del>(6)</del>))) (<u>5)</u>" and insert "(6)"

Beginning on page 4, line 33, after "law." strike all material through "(3)))" on page 5, line 3 and insert "<u>The investment of private</u> moneys in the fund shall be managed by the state investment board.

(2) At the request of the office, the state investment board shall release earnings from the ((endowment fund)) private moneys invested by it to the state treasurer. ((The state treasurer shall then release those funds at the request of the office for scholarships. No appropriation is required for expenditures from the endowment fund.))

(3)

On page 5, line 6, strike "(((4))) (3)" and insert "(4)"

On page 5, line 10, strike "(((<del>(5)</del>))) (<u>4</u>)" and insert "(5)"

On page 5, line 14, after "subsection" strike "(((4))) (3)" and insert "(4)"

On page 5, line 16, strike "(((6))) (5)" and insert "(6)"

Representative Hunter spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (941) was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Hunter and Alexander spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 2620.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 2620, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 93; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Excused: Representatives Anderson, Condotta, Hope, Liias and Nealey.

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2620, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 6, 2012

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate concurred in the House amendment(s) to the following bills and passed the bills as amended by the House: SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5343 SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6044 SENATE BILL NO. 6082 ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6103 and the same are herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

# SECOND READING

HOUSE BILL NO. 2483, by Representatives Seaquist, Haler, Zeiger and Kelley

Creating the office of the student achievement council. Revised for 2nd Substitute: Regarding higher education coordination.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, Second Substitute House Bill No. 2483 was substituted for House Bill No. 2483 and the second substitute bill was placed on the second reading calendar.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2483 was read the second time.

With the consent of the house, amendment (1319) was withdrawn.

Representative Haler moved the adoption of amendment (1321).

On page 2, line 18, after "**Sec. 1.**" insert "A new section is added to chapter 28B.77 RCW to read as follows:

On page 8, line 9, after "education;" strike "and"

On page 8, line 10, after "(i)" insert "Development and expansion of innovations in higher education including innovations to increase attainment of postsecondary certificates, and associate, baccalaureate, graduate and professional degrees; and innovations to improve precollege education in terms of cost-effectiveness and transitions to college-level education; and

(j)"

On page 10, line 17, after "outcomes" insert "of students receiving state need grants"

Representatives Haler and Seaquist spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1321) was adopted.

Representative Haler moved the adoption of amendment (1318).

On page 3, line 34, after "senate" insert "and shall serve at the pleasure of the governor"

Representative Haler spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Seaquist spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1318) was not adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Seaquist and Haler spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

#### COLLOQUY

Representative Haler: "Does this bill include a report on outcomes for students receiving the state need grant at all institutions of higher education, including public, independent, and proprietary, for-profit institutions of higher education?"

Representative Seaquist: "Yes it does, and the amendment just passed clarifies that. Under section 104 subsection (b), subsection (iii), the Student Achievement Council must report on outcomes for <u>all</u> state need grant recipients not just those at proprietary, forprofit institutions."

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2483.

# **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2483, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 64; Nays, 32; Absent, 0; Excused, 2.

Voting yea: Representatives Alexander, Appleton, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Carlyle, Clibborn, Cody, Dammeier, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Jinkins, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Ormsby, Orwall, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Roberts, Ryu, Santos, Seaquist, Sells, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Angel, Armstrong, Buys, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, Dahlquist, DeBolt, Fagan, Hargrove, Harris, Hinkle, Hurst, Johnson, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, Orcutt, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Rivers, Rodne, Ross, Schmick, Shea, Short, Taylor, Walsh and Warnick.

Excused: Representatives Anderson and Nealey.

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2483, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

# SENATE BILL NO. 6223, by Senators Regala, Hargrove and Stevens

# Repealing the early supplemental security income transition project.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage. Representatives Dickerson and Johnson spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Senate Bill No. 6223.

# **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Senate Bill No. 6223, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 96; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 2.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Excused: Representatives Anderson and Nealey.

SENATE BILL NO. 6223, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the third order of business.

# THIRD READING

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 5, 2012

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2233 with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 37.12 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The process by which the state may retrocede to the United States all or part of the civil and/or criminal jurisdiction previously acquired by the state over a federally recognized Indian tribe, and the Indian country of such tribe, must be accomplished in accordance with the requirements of this section.

(2) To initiate civil and/or criminal retrocession the duly authorized governing body of a tribe must submit a retrocession resolution to the governor accompanied by information about the tribe's plan regarding the tribe's exercise of jurisdiction following the proposed retrocession. The resolution must express the desire of the tribe for the retrocession by the state of all or any measures or provisions of the civil and/or criminal jurisdiction acquired by the state under this chapter over the Indian country and the members of such Indian tribe. Before a tribe submits a retrocession resolution to the governor, the tribe and affected municipalities are encouraged to collaborate in the adoption of interlocal agreements, or other collaborative arrangements, with the goal of ensuring that the best interests of the tribe and the surrounding communities are served by the retrocession process.

(3) Upon receiving a resolution under this section, the governor must within ninety days convene a government-to-government meeting with either the governing body of the tribe or duly authorized tribal representatives for the purpose of considering the tribe's retrocession resolution. The governor's office must consult with elected officials from the counties, cities, and towns proximately located to the area of the proposed retrocession.

(4) Within one year of the receipt of an Indian tribe's retrocession resolution the governor must issue a proclamation, if approving the request either in whole or in part. This one-year deadline may be extended by the mutual consent of the tribe and the governor, as needed. In addition, either the tribe or the governor may extend the deadline once for a period of up to six months. Within ten days of issuance of a proclamation approving the retrocession resolution, the governor must formally submit the proclamation to the federal government in accordance with the procedural requirements for federal approval of the proposed retrocession. In the event the governor denies all or part of the resolution, the reasons for such denial must be provided to the tribe in writing.

(5) Within one hundred twenty days of the governor's receipt of a tribe's resolution requesting civil and/or criminal retrocession, but prior to the governor's issuance of the proclamation approving or denying the tribe's resolution, the appropriate standing committees of the state house and senate may conduct public hearings on the tribe's request for state retrocession. The majority leader of the senate must designate the senate standing committee and the speaker of the house of representatives must designate the house standing committee. Following such public hearings, the designated legislative committees may submit advisory recommendations and/or comments to the governor regarding the proposed retrocession, but in no event are such legislative recommendations binding on the governor or otherwise of legal effect.

(6) The proclamation for retrocession does not become effective until it is approved by a duly designated officer of the United States government and in accordance with the procedures established by the United States for the approval of a proposed state retrocession.

(7) The provisions of RCW 37.12.010 are not applicable to a civil and/or criminal retrocession that is accomplished in accordance with the requirements of this section.

(8) For any proclamation issued by the governor under this section that addresses the operation of motor vehicles upon the public streets, alleys, roads, and highways, the governor must consider the following:

(a) Whether the affected tribe has in place interlocal agreements with neighboring jurisdictions, including applicable state transportation agencies, that address uniformity of motor vehicle operations over Indian country;

(b) Whether there is a tribal traffic policing agency that will ensure the safe operation of motor vehicles in Indian country;

(c) Whether the affected tribe has traffic codes and courts in place; and

(d) Whether there are appropriate traffic control devices in place sufficient to maintain the safety of the public roadways.

(9) The following definitions apply for the purposes of this section:

(a) "Civil retrocession" means the state's act of returning to the federal government the civil jurisdiction acquired over Indians and Indian country under federal Public Law 280, Act of August 15, 1953, 67 Stat. 588 (codified as amended at 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1162, 25 U.S.C. Secs. 1321-1326, and 28 U.S.C. Sec. 1360);

(b) "Criminal retrocession" means the state's act of returning to the federal government the criminal jurisdiction acquired over Indians and Indian country under federal Public Law 280, Act of August 15, 1953, 67 Stat. 588 (codified as amended at 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1162, 25 U.S.C. Secs. 1321-1326, and 28 U.S.C. Sec. 1360);

(c) "Indian tribe" means any federally recognized Indian tribe, nation, community, band, or group;

(d) "Indian country" means:

(i) All land within the limits of any Indian reservation under the jurisdiction of the United States government, notwithstanding the issuance of any patent, and including rights-of-way running through the reservation;

(ii) All dependent Indian communities with the borders of the United States whether in the original or subsequently acquired territory thereof, and whether within or without the limits of a state; and

(iii) All Indian allotments, the Indian titles to which have not been extinguished, including rights-of-way running through the same.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 37.12 RCW to read as follows:

A civil or criminal retrocession accomplished pursuant to the procedure set forth in section 1 of this act does not:

(1) Affect the state's civil jurisdiction over the civil commitment of sexually violent predators pursuant to chapter 71.09 RCW and the state must retain such jurisdiction notwithstanding the completion of the retrocession process authorized under section 1 of this act; and

(2) Abate any action or proceeding which has been filed with any court or agency of the state or local government preceding the effective date of the completion of a retrocession authorized under section 1 of this act.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 37.12 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The provisions of section 1 of this act do not affect the validity of any retrocession procedure commenced under RCW 37.12.100 through 37.12.140 prior to the effective date of this section.

(2) Any Indian tribe that has commenced but not completed the retrocession procedure authorized in RCW 37.12.100 through 37.12.140 may request retrocession under section 1 of this act in lieu of completing that procedure.

(3) Any Indian tribe that has completed the retrocession procedure authorized in RCW 37.12.100 through 37.12.140 may use the process authorized under section 1 of this act to request retrocession of any civil or criminal jurisdiction retained by the state under RCW 37.12.120 or 37.12.010.

(4) The provisions of RCW 37.12.120 are not applicable to a civil and/or criminal retrocession that is accomplished in accordance with the requirements of section 1 of this act."

On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "country;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and adding new sections to chapter 37.12 RCW."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

# SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2233 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

# FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representative McCoy spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

Representative Taylor spoke against the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2233, as amended by the Senate.

# **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2233, as amended by the Senate, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 59; Nays, 38; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Appleton, Billig, Blake, Carlyle, Clibborn, Cody, Dahlquist, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Ormsby, Orwall, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Ryu, Santos, Seaquist, Sells, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wylie and Mr. Speaker.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Buys, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, Dammeier, DeBolt, Fagan, Haler, Hargrove, Harris, Hope, Johnson, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, Orcutt, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Rodne, Ross, Schmick, Shea, Short, Smith, Taylor, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox and Zeiger.

Excused: Representative Nealey.

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2233, as amended by the Senate, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2452 with the following amendment:

Beginning on page 4, line 35, strike all of subsection (23) Renumber the remaining subsection consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

On page 16, beginning on line 4, strike all of section 21 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

and the same is herewith transmitted. Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

# SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2452 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

# FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Wylie and Alexander spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2452, as amended by the Senate.

# ROLL CALL

March 2, 2012

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Second Substitute House Bill No. 2452, as amended by the Senate, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 60; Nays, 37; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Appleton, Billig, Blake, Carlyle, Clibborn, Cody, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Roberts, Ryu, Santos, Seaquist, Sells, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Wylie and Mr. Speaker.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Buys, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, DeBolt, Fagan, Haler, Hargrove, Hinkle, Johnson, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Rivers, Rodne, Ross, Schmick, Shea, Short, Smith, Taylor, Warnick, Wilcox and Zeiger.

Excused: Representative Nealey.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2452, as amended by the Senate, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate refuses to concur in the House amendment to SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5355 and asks the House to recede therefrom, and the same is herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendersen, Deputy Secretary

March 3, 2012

#### HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL

There being no objection, the House receded from its amendment. The rules were suspended and SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5355 was returned to second reading for the purpose of amendment.

There being no objection, the House reverted to the sixth order of business.

#### SECOND READING

# SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5355, by Senate Committee on Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Morton, Swecker and Honeyford)

Regarding notice requirements for special meetings of public agencies.

The bill was read the second time.

With the consent of the house, amendment (1316) was withdrawn.

Representative Overstreet moved the adoption of amendment (1322).

On page 2, line 4, after "web site" strike ", if any" and insert ". An agency is not required to post a special meeting notice on its web site if it (i) does not have a web site; (ii) employs fewer than ten fulltime equivalent employees, or (iii) does not employ personnel whose duty, as defined by a job description or existing contract, is to maintain or update the web site

Representatives Overstreet and Hunt spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1322) was adopted.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill, as amended by the House, was placed on final passage.

Representatives Hunt and Overstreet spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5355, as amended by the House.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5355, as amended by the House, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 97; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Excused: Representative Nealey.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5355, as amended by the House, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

# THIRD READING

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 5, 2012

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate refuses to concur in the House amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6555 and asks the House to recede therefrom, and the same is herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendersen, Deputy Secretary

# HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL

There being no objection, the House receded from its amendment. The rules were suspended and ENGROSSED

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6555 was returned to second reading for the purpose of amendment.

There being no objection, the House reverted to the sixth order of business.

#### SECOND READING

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6555, by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Shin and Roach)

# Providing for family assessments in cases involving child abuse or neglect.

The bill was read the second time.

Representative Kagi moved the adoption of amendment (1323).

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 26.44.020 and 2010 c 176 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Abuse or neglect" means sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, or injury of a child by any person under circumstances which cause harm to the child's health, welfare, or safety, excluding conduct permitted under RCW 9A.16.100; or the negligent treatment or maltreatment of a child by a person responsible for or providing care to the child. An abused child is a child who has been subjected to child abuse or neglect as defined in this section.

(2) "Child" or "children" means any person under the age of eighteen years of age.

(3) "Child protective services" means those services provided by the department designed to protect children from child abuse and neglect and safeguard such children from future abuse and neglect, and conduct investigations of child abuse and neglect reports. Investigations may be conducted regardless of the location of the alleged abuse or neglect. Child protective services includes referral to services to ameliorate conditions that endanger the welfare of children, the coordination of necessary programs and services relevant to the prevention, intervention, and treatment of child abuse and neglect, and services to children to ensure that each child has a permanent home. In determining whether protective services should be provided, the department shall not decline to provide such services solely because of the child's unwillingness or developmental inability to describe the nature and severity of the abuse or neglect.

(4) "Child protective services section" means the child protective services section of the department.

(5) "Children's advocacy center" means a child-focused facility in good standing with the state chapter for children's advocacy centers and that coordinates a multidisciplinary process for the investigation, prosecution, and treatment of sexual and other types of child abuse. Children's advocacy centers provide a location for forensic interviews and coordinate access to services such as, but not limited to, medical evaluations, advocacy, therapy, and case review by multidisciplinary teams within the context of county protocols as defined in RCW 26.44.180 and 26.44.185.

(6) "Clergy" means any regularly licensed or ordained minister, priest, or rabbi of any church or religious denomination, whether acting in an individual capacity or as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or institution.

(7) "Court" means the superior court of the state of Washington, juvenile department.

(8) "Department" means the state department of social and health services.

(9) "Family assessment" means a comprehensive assessment of child safety, risk of subsequent child abuse or neglect, and family strengths and needs that is applied to a child abuse or neglect report. Family assessment does not include a determination as to whether child abuse or neglect occurred, but does determine the need for services to address the safety of the child and the risk of subsequent maltreatment.

(10) "Family assessment response" means a way of responding to certain reports of child abuse or neglect made under this chapter using a differential response approach to child protective services. The family assessment response shall focus on the safety of the child, the integrity and preservation of the family, and shall assess the status of the child and the family in terms of risk of abuse and neglect including the parent's or guardian's or other caretaker's capacity and willingness to protect the child and, if necessary, plan and arrange the provision of services to reduce the risk and otherwise support the family. No one is named as a perpetrator, and no investigative finding is entered in the record as a result of a family assessment.

(11) "Founded" means the determination following an investigation by the department that, based on available information, it is more likely than not that child abuse or neglect did occur.

(((10))) (12) "Inconclusive" means the determination following an investigation by the department, prior to October 1, 2008, that based on available information a decision cannot be made that more likely than not, child abuse or neglect did or did not occur.

(((11))) (13) "Institution" means a private or public hospital or any other facility providing medical diagnosis, treatment, or care.

(((12))) (14) "Law enforcement agency" means the police department, the prosecuting attorney, the state patrol, the director of public safety, or the office of the sheriff.

(((13))) (15) "Malice" or "maliciously" means an intent, wish, or design to intimidate, annoy, or injure another person. Such malice may be inferred from an act done in willful disregard of the rights of another, or an act wrongfully done without just cause or excuse, or an act or omission of duty betraying a willful disregard of social duty.

(((44))) (16) "Negligent treatment or maltreatment" means an act or a failure to act, or the cumulative effects of a pattern of conduct, behavior, or inaction, that evidences a serious disregard of consequences of such magnitude as to constitute a clear and present danger to a child's health, welfare, or safety, including but not limited to conduct prohibited under RCW 9A.42.100. When considering whether a clear and present danger exists, evidence of a parent's substance abuse as a contributing factor to negligent treatment or maltreatment shall be given great weight. The fact that siblings share a bedroom is not, in and of itself, negligent treatment or maltreatment. Poverty, homelessness, or exposure to domestic violence as defined in RCW 26.50.010 that is perpetrated against someone other than the child does not constitute negligent treatment or maltreatment in and of itself.

(((15))) (17) "Pharmacist" means any registered pharmacist under chapter 18.64 RCW, whether acting in an individual capacity or as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or institution.

(((16))) (18) "Practitioner of the healing arts" or "practitioner" means a person licensed by this state to practice podiatric medicine and surgery, optometry, chiropractic, nursing, dentistry, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or medicine and surgery or to provide other health services. The term "practitioner" includes a duly accredited Christian Science practitioner. A person who is being furnished Christian Science treatment by a duly accredited Christian Science practitioner will not be considered, for that reason alone, a neglected person for the purposes of this chapter.

(((17))) (19) "Professional school personnel" include, but are not limited to, teachers, counselors, administrators, child care facility personnel, and school nurses.

(((18))) (20) "Psychologist" means any person licensed to practice psychology under chapter 18.83 RCW, whether acting in an individual capacity or as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or institution.

(((19))) (21) "Screened-out report" means a report of alleged child abuse or neglect that the department has determined does not rise to the level of a credible report of abuse or neglect and is not referred for investigation.

(((20))) (22) "Sexual exploitation" includes: (a) Allowing, permitting, or encouraging a child to engage in prostitution by any person; or (b) allowing, permitting, encouraging, or engaging in the obscene or pornographic photographing, filming, or depicting of a child by any person.

(((21))) (23) "Sexually aggressive youth" means a child who is defined in RCW 74.13.075(1)(b) as being a sexually aggressive youth.

(((22))) (24) "Social service counselor" means anyone engaged in a professional capacity during the regular course of employment in encouraging or promoting the health, welfare, support, or education of children, or providing social services to adults or families, including mental health, drug and alcohol treatment, and domestic violence programs, whether in an individual capacity, or as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or institution.

(((23))) (25) "Supervising agency" means an agency licensed by the state under RCW 74.15.090 or an Indian tribe under RCW 74.15.190 that has entered into a performance-based contract with the department to provide child welfare services.

(((24))) (26) "Unfounded" means the determination following an investigation by the department that available information indicates that, more likely than not, child abuse or neglect did not occur, or that there is insufficient evidence for the department to determine whether the alleged child abuse did or did not occur.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 26.44 RCW to read as follows:

(1) No later than December 1, 2013, the department shall implement the family assessment response. The department may implement the family assessment response on a phased-in basis, by geographical area.

(2) The department shall develop an implementation plan in consultation with stakeholders, including tribes. The department shall submit a report of the implementation plan to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31, 2012. At a minimum, the following must be developed before implementation and included in the report to the legislature:

(a) Description of the family assessment response practice model;(b) Identification of possible additional noninvestigative responses or pathways;

(c) Development of an intake screening tool and a family assessment tool specifically to be used in the family assessment response. The family assessment tool must, at minimum, evaluate the safety of the child and determine services needed by the family to improve or restore family well-being;

(d) Delineation of staff training requirements;

(e) Development of strategies to reduce disproportionality;

(f) Development of strategies to assist and connect families with the appropriate private or public housing support agencies, for those parents whose inability to obtain or maintain safe housing creates a risk of harm to the child, risk of out-of-home placement of the child, or a barrier to reunification;

(g) Identification of methods to involve local community partners in the development of community-based resources to meet families' needs. Local community partners may include, but are not limited to: Alumni of the foster care system and veteran parents, local private service delivery agencies, schools, local health departments and other health care providers, juvenile court, law enforcement, office of public defense social workers or local defense attorneys, domestic violence victims advocates, and other available community-based entities;

(h) Delineation of procedures to assure continuous quality assurance;

(i) Identification of current departmental expenditures for services appropriate for the family assessment response, to the greatest practicable extent;

(j) Identification of philanthropic funding and other private funding available to supplement public resources in response to identified family needs;

(k) Mechanisms to involve the child's Washington state tribe, if any, in any family assessment response, when the child subject to the family assessment response is an Indian child, as defined in RCW 13.38.040;

(l) A potential phase-in schedule if proposed; and

(m) Recommendations for legislative action required to implement the plan.

Sec. 3. RCW 26.44.030 and 2009 c 480 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) When any practitioner, county coroner or medical examiner, law enforcement officer, professional school personnel, registered or licensed nurse, social service counselor, psychologist, pharmacist, employee of the department of early learning, licensed or certified child care providers or their employees, employee of the department, juvenile probation officer, placement and liaison specialist, responsible living skills program staff, HOPE center staff, or state family and children's ombudsman or any volunteer in the ombudsman's office has reasonable cause to believe that a child has suffered abuse or neglect, he or she shall report such incident, or cause a report to be made, to the proper law enforcement agency or to the department as provided in RCW 26.44.040.

(b) When any person, in his or her official supervisory capacity with a nonprofit or for-profit organization, has reasonable cause to believe that a child has suffered abuse or neglect caused by a person over whom he or she regularly exercises supervisory authority, he or she shall report such incident, or cause a report to be made, to the proper law enforcement agency, provided that the person alleged to have caused the abuse or neglect is employed by, contracted by, or volunteers with the organization and coaches, trains, educates, or counsels a child or children or regularly has unsupervised access to a child or children as part of the employment, contract, or voluntary service. No one shall be required to report under this section when he or she obtains the information solely as a result of a privileged communication as provided in RCW 5.60.060.

Nothing in this subsection (1)(b) shall limit a person's duty to report under (a) of this subsection.

For the purposes of this subsection, the following definitions apply:

(i) "Official supervisory capacity" means a position, status, or role created, recognized, or designated by any nonprofit or for-profit organization, either for financial gain or without financial gain, whose scope includes, but is not limited to, overseeing, directing, or managing another person who is employed by, contracted by, or volunteers with the nonprofit or for-profit organization.

(ii) "Regularly exercises supervisory authority" means to act in his or her official supervisory capacity on an ongoing or continuing basis with regards to a particular person.

(c) The reporting requirement also applies to department of corrections personnel who, in the course of their employment, observe offenders or the children with whom the offenders are in contact. If, as a result of observations or information received in the course of his or her employment, any department of corrections personnel has reasonable cause to believe that a child has suffered abuse or neglect, he or she shall report the incident, or cause a report to be made, to the proper law enforcement agency or to the department as provided in RCW 26.44.040.

(d) The reporting requirement shall also apply to any adult who has reasonable cause to believe that a child who resides with them, has suffered severe abuse, and is able or capable of making a report. For the purposes of this subsection, "severe abuse" means any of the following: Any single act of abuse that causes physical trauma of sufficient severity that, if left untreated, could cause death; any single act of sexual abuse that causes significant bleeding, deep bruising, or significant external or internal swelling; or more than one act of physical abuse, each of which causes bleeding, deep bruising, significant external or internal swelling, bone fracture, or unconsciousness.

(e) The reporting requirement also applies to guardians ad litem, including court-appointed special advocates, appointed under Titles 11, 13, and 26 RCW, who in the course of their representation of children in these actions have reasonable cause to believe a child has been abused or neglected.

(f) The report must be made at the first opportunity, but in no case longer than forty-eight hours after there is reasonable cause to believe that the child has suffered abuse or neglect. The report must include the identity of the accused if known.

(2) The reporting requirement of subsection (1) of this section does not apply to the discovery of abuse or neglect that occurred during childhood if it is discovered after the child has become an adult. However, if there is reasonable cause to believe other children are or may be at risk of abuse or neglect by the accused, the reporting requirement of subsection (1) of this section does apply.

(3) Any other person who has reasonable cause to believe that a child has suffered abuse or neglect may report such incident to the proper law enforcement agency or to the department of social and health services as provided in RCW 26.44.040.

(4) The department, upon receiving a report of an incident of alleged abuse or neglect pursuant to this chapter, involving a child who has died or has had physical injury or injuries inflicted upon him or her other than by accidental means or who has been subjected to alleged sexual abuse, shall report such incident to the proper law enforcement agency. In emergency cases, where the child's welfare is endangered, the department shall notify the proper law enforcement agency within twenty-four hours after a report is received by the department. In all other cases, the department shall notify the law enforcement agency within seventy-two hours after a report is received by the department. If the department makes an oral report, a written report must also be made to the proper law enforcement agency within five days thereafter.

(5) Any law enforcement agency receiving a report of an incident of alleged abuse or neglect pursuant to this chapter, involving a child who has died or has had physical injury or injuries inflicted upon him or her other than by accidental means, or who has been subjected to alleged sexual abuse, shall report such incident in writing as provided in RCW 26.44.040 to the proper county prosecutor or city attorney for appropriate action whenever the law enforcement agency's investigation reveals that a crime may have been committed. The law enforcement agency shall also notify the department of all reports received and the law enforcement agency's disposition of them. In emergency cases, where the child's welfare is endangered, the law enforcement agency shall notify the department within twenty-four hours. In all other cases, the law enforcement agency shall notify the department within seventy-two hours after a report is received by the law enforcement agency.

(6) Any county prosecutor or city attorney receiving a report under subsection (5) of this section shall notify the victim, any persons the victim requests, and the local office of the department, of the decision to charge or decline to charge a crime, within five days of making the decision.

(7) The department may conduct ongoing case planning and consultation with those persons or agencies required to report under this section, with consultants designated by the department, and with designated representatives of Washington Indian tribes if the client information exchanged is pertinent to cases currently receiving child protective services. Upon request, the department shall conduct such planning and consultation with those persons required to report under this section if the department determines it is in the best interests of the child. Information considered privileged by statute and not directly related to reports required by this section must not be divulged without a valid written waiver of the privilege.

(8) Any case referred to the department by a physician licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW on the basis of an expert medical opinion that child abuse, neglect, or sexual assault has occurred and that the child's safety will be seriously endangered if returned home, the department shall file a dependency petition unless a second licensed physician of the parents' choice believes that such expert medical opinion is incorrect. If the parents fail to designate a second physician, the department may make the selection. If a physician finds that a child has suffered abuse or neglect but that such abuse or neglect does not constitute imminent danger to the child's health or safety, and the department agrees with the physician's assessment, the child may be left in the parents' home while the department proceeds with reasonable efforts to remedy parenting deficiencies.

(9) Persons or agencies exchanging information under subsection (7) of this section shall not further disseminate or release the information except as authorized by state or federal statute. Violation of this subsection is a misdemeanor.

(10) Upon receiving a report of alleged abuse or neglect, the department shall make reasonable efforts to learn the name, address, and telephone number of each person making a report of abuse or neglect under this section. The department shall provide assurances of appropriate confidentiality of the identification of persons reporting under this section. If the department is unable to learn the information required under this subsection, the department shall only investigate cases in which:

(a) The department believes there is a serious threat of substantial harm to the child;

(b) The report indicates conduct involving a criminal offense that has, or is about to occur, in which the child is the victim; or

(c) The department has a prior founded report of abuse or neglect with regard to a member of the household that is within three years of receipt of the referral.

 (11)(a) Upon receiving a report of alleged abuse or neglect, the department shall use one of the following discrete responses to reports of child abuse or neglect that are screened in and accepted for departmental response:

 (i) Investigation; or
 (ii) Family assessment.
 (b) In making the response in (a) of this subsection the department

(i) Use a method by which to assign cases to investigation or family assessment which are based on an array of factors that may include the presence of: Imminent danger, level of risk, number of previous child abuse or neglect reports, or other presenting case characteristics, such as the type of alleged maltreatment and the age of the alleged victim. Age of the alleged victim shall not be used as the sole criterion for determining case assignment; (ii) Allow for a change in response assignment based on new information that alters risk or safety level; (iii) Allow families assigned to family assessment to choose to

receive an investigation rather than a family assessment to choose to (iv) Provide a full investigation if a family refuses the initial family assessment;

(v) Provide voluntary services to families based on the results of the initial family assessment. If a family refuses voluntary services, and the department cannot identify specific facts related to risk or safety that warrant assignment to investigation under this chapter, and there is not a history of reports of child abuse or neglect related to the family, then the department must close the family assessment response case. However, if at any time the department identifies risk or safety factors that warrant an investigation under this chapter, then the family assessment response case must be reassigned to investigation;

(vi) Conduct an investigation, and not a family assessment, in response to an allegation that, the department determines based on the intake assessment;

(A) Poses a risk of "imminent harm" consistent with the definition provided in RCW 13.34.050, which includes, but is not limited to, sexual abuse and sexual exploitation as defined in this chapter;

(B) Poses a serious threat of substantial harm to a child;
 (C) Constitutes conduct involving a criminal offense that has, or is about to occur, in which the child is the victim;
 (D) The child is an abandoned child as defined in RCW 13.34.030;

(E) The child is an adjudicated dependent child as defined in RCW 13.34.030, or the child is in a facility that is licensed, operated, or certified for care of children by the department under chapter 74.15 RCW, or by the department of early learning.

(c) The department may not be held civilly liable for the decision to respond to an allegation of child abuse or neglect by using the family assessment response under this section unless the state or its officers, agents, or employees acted with reckless disregard.

(12)(a) For reports of alleged abuse or neglect that are accepted for investigation by the department, the investigation shall be conducted within time frames established by the department in rule. In no case shall the investigation extend longer than ninety days from the date the report is received, unless the investigation is being conducted under a written protocol pursuant to RCW 26.44.180 and a law enforcement agency or prosecuting attorney has determined that a longer investigation period is necessary. At the completion of the investigation, the department shall make a finding that the report of child abuse or neglect is founded or unfounded.

(b) If a court in a civil or criminal proceeding, considering the same facts or circumstances as are contained in the report being investigated by the department, makes a judicial finding by a preponderance of the evidence or higher that the subject of the pending investigation has abused or neglected the child, the department shall adopt the finding in its investigation.

(((12))) (13) For reports of alleged abuse or neglect that are responded to through family assessment response, the department shall:

(a) Provide the family with a written explanation of the procedure for assessment of the child and the family and its purposes; (b) Collaborate with the family to identify family strengths, resources, and service needs, and develop a service plan with the goal of reducing risk of harm to the child and improving or restoring family well-being;

(c) Complete the family assessment response within forty-five days of receiving the report; however, upon parental agreement, the family assessment response period may be extended up to ninety days;

(d) Offer services to the family in a manner that makes it clear that acceptance of the services is voluntary; (e) Implement the family assessment response in a consistent and

cooperative manner; (f) Have the parent or guardian sign an agreement to participate in services before services are initiated that informs the parents of their rights under family assessment response, all of their options, and the options the department has if the parents do not sign the consent form.

(14) In conducting an investigation <u>or family assessment</u> of alleged abuse or neglect, the department or law enforcement agency:

(a) May interview children. If the department determines that the response to the allegation will be family assessment response, the

preferred practice is to request a parent's, guardian's, or custodian's permission to interview the child before conducting the child interview unless doing so would compromise the safety of the child or the integrity of the assessment. The interviews may be conducted on school premises, at day-care facilities, at the child's home, or at other suitable locations outside of the presence of parents. If the allegation is investigated, parental notification of the interview must occur at the earliest possible point in the investigation that will not jeopardize the safety or protection of the child or the course of the investigation. Prior to commencing the interview the department or law enforcement agency shall determine whether the child wishes a third party to be present for the interview and, if so, shall make reasonable efforts to accommodate the child's wishes. Unless the child objects, the department or law enforcement agency shall make reasonable efforts to include a third party in any interview so long as the presence of the third party will not jeopardize the course of the investigation; and

(b) Shall have access to all relevant records of the child in the possession of mandated reporters and their employees.

(((13))) (15) If a report of alleged abuse or neglect is founded and constitutes the third founded report received by the department within the last twelve months involving the same child or family, the department shall promptly notify the office of the family and children's ombudsman of the contents of the report. The department shall also notify the ombudsman of the disposition of the report.

(((++))) (16) In investigating and responding to allegations of child abuse and neglect, the department may conduct background checks as authorized by state and federal law.

(((15))) (17)(a) The department shall maintain investigation records and conduct timely and periodic reviews of all founded cases of abuse and neglect. The department shall maintain a log of screened-out nonabusive cases.

(b) In the family assessment response, the department shall not make a finding as to whether child abuse or neglect occurred. No one shall be named as a perpetrator and no investigative finding shall be entered in the department's child abuse or neglect database.

(((16))) (18) The department shall use a risk assessment process when investigating alleged child abuse and neglect referrals. The department shall present the risk factors at all hearings in which the placement of a dependent child is an issue. Substance abuse must be a risk factor. ((The department shall, within funds appropriated for this purpose, offer enhanced community based services to persons who are determined not to require further state intervention. (17))) (19) Upon receipt of a report of alleged abuse or neglect the law enforcement agency may arrange to interview the person making the report and any collateral sources to determine if any malice is involved in the reporting.

(((18))) (20) Upon receiving a report of alleged abuse or neglect involving a child under the court's jurisdiction under chapter 13.34 RCW, the department shall promptly notify the child's guardian ad litem of the report's contents. The department shall also notify the guardian ad litem of the disposition of the report. For purposes of this subsection, "guardian ad litem" has the meaning provided in RCW 13.34.030.

Sec. 4. RCW 26.44.031 and 2007 c 220 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) To protect the privacy in reporting and the maintenance of reports of nonaccidental injury, neglect, death, sexual abuse, and cruelty to children by their parents, and to safeguard against arbitrary, malicious, or erroneous information or actions, the department shall not disclose or maintain information related to reports of child abuse or neglect except as provided in this section or as otherwise required by state and federal law.

(2) The department shall destroy all of its records concerning:

(a) A screened-out report, within three years from the receipt of the report; and

(b) An unfounded or inconclusive report, within six years of completion of the investigation, unless a prior or subsequent founded report has been received regarding the child who is the subject of the report, a sibling or half-sibling of the child, or a parent, guardian, or legal custodian of the child, before the records are destroyed.

(3) The department may keep records concerning founded reports of child abuse or neglect as the department determines by rule.

(4) ((An)) No unfounded, screened-out, or inconclusive report or information about a family's participation or nonparticipation in the family assessment response may ((not)) be disclosed to a child-placing agency, private adoption agency, or any other provider licensed under chapter 74.15 RCW without the consent of the individual who is the subject of the report or family assessment, unless:

(a) The individual seeks to become a licensed foster parent or adoptive parent; or

(b) The individual is the parent or legal custodian of a child being served by one of the agencies referenced in this subsection.

(5)(a) If the department fails to comply with this section, an individual who is the subject of a report may institute proceedings for injunctive or other appropriate relief for enforcement of the requirement to purge information. These proceedings may be instituted in the superior court for the county in which the person resides or, if the person is not then a resident of this state, in the superior court for Thurston county.

(b) If the department fails to comply with subsection (4) of this section and an individual who is the subject of the report <u>or family assessment response information</u> is harmed by the disclosure of information, in addition to the relief provided in (a) of this subsection, the court may award a penalty of up to one thousand dollars and reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs to the petitioner.

(c) A proceeding under this subsection does not preclude other methods of enforcement provided for by law.

(6) Nothing in this section shall prevent the department from retaining general, nonidentifying information which is required for state and federal reporting and management purposes.

**Sec. 5.** RCW 26.44.050 and 1999 c 176 s 33 are each amended to read as follows:

Except as provided in RCW 26.44.030(11), upon the receipt of a report concerning the possible occurrence of abuse or neglect, the law enforcement agency or the department of social and health services must investigate and provide the protective services section with a report in accordance with chapter 74.13 RCW, and where necessary to refer such report to the court.

A law enforcement officer may take, or cause to be taken, a child into custody without a court order if there is probable cause to believe that the child is abused or neglected and that the child would be injured or could not be taken into custody if it were necessary to first obtain a court order pursuant to RCW 13.34.050. The law enforcement agency or the department of social and health services investigating such a report is hereby authorized to photograph such a child for the purpose of providing documentary evidence of the physical condition of the child.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 26.44 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Within ten days of the conclusion of the family assessment, the department must meet with the child's parent or guardian to discuss the recommendation for services to address child safety concerns or significant risk of subsequent child maltreatment.

(2) If the parent or guardian disagrees with the department's recommendation regarding the provision of services, the department shall convene a family team decision-making meeting to discuss the recommendations and objections. The caseworker's supervisor and area administrator shall attend the meeting.

(3) If the department determines, based on the results of the family assessment, that services are not recommended then the department shall close the family assessment response case.

**Sec. 7.** RCW 74.13.020 and 2011 c 330 s 4 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

For purposes of this chapter:

(1) "Case management" means ((the management of services delivered to children and families in the child welfare system, including permanency services, caseworker-child visits, family visits, the convening of family group conferences, the development and revision of the case plan, the coordination and monitoring of services needed by the child and family, and the assumption of court related duties, excluding legal representation, including preparing court reports, attending judicial hearings and permanency hearings, and ensuring that the child is progressing toward permanency within state and federal mandates, including the Indian child welfare act)) convening family meetings, developing, revising, and monitoring implementation of any case plan or individual service and safety plan, coordinating and monitoring services needed by the child and family, caseworker-child visits, family visits, and the assumption of courtrelated duties, excluding legal representation, including preparing court reports, attending judicial hearings and permanency hearings, and ensuring that the child is progressing toward permanency within state and federal mandates, including the Indian child welfare act.

(2) "Child" means:

(a) A person less than eighteen years of age; or

(b) A person age eighteen to twenty-one years who is eligible to receive the extended foster care services authorized under RCW 74.13.031.

(3) "Child protective services" has the same meaning as in RCW 26.44.020.

(4) "Child welfare services" means social services including voluntary and in-home services, out-of-home care, case management, and adoption services which strengthen, supplement, or substitute for, parental care and supervision for the purpose of:

(a) Preventing or remedying, or assisting in the solution of problems which may result in families in conflict, or the neglect, abuse, exploitation, or criminal behavior of children;

(b) Protecting and caring for dependent, abused, or neglected children;

(c) Assisting children who are in conflict with their parents, and assisting parents who are in conflict with their children, with services designed to resolve such conflicts;

(d) Protecting and promoting the welfare of children, including the strengthening of their own homes where possible, or, where needed;

(e) Providing adequate care of children away from their homes in foster family homes or day care or other child care agencies or facilities.

"Child welfare services" does not include child protection services.

(5) "Committee" means the child welfare transformation design committee.

(6) "Department" means the department of social and health services.

(7) "Extended foster care services" means residential and other support services the department is authorized to provide to foster children. These services include, but are not limited to, placement in licensed, relative, or otherwise approved care, or supervised independent living settings; assistance in meeting basic needs; independent living services; medical assistance; and counseling or treatment.

(8) "Family assessment" means a comprehensive assessment of child safety, risk of subsequent child abuse or neglect, and family strengths and needs that is applied to a child abuse or neglect report. Family assessment does not include a determination as to whether child abuse or neglect occurred, but does determine the need for services to address the safety of the child and the risk of subsequent maltreatment.

(9) "Measurable effects" means a statistically significant change which occurs as a result of the service or services a supervising agency is assigned in a performance-based contract, in time periods established in the contract.

(((9))) (10) "Out-of-home care services" means services provided after the shelter care hearing to or for children in out-of-home care, as that term is defined in RCW 13.34.030, and their families, including the recruitment, training, and management of foster parents, the recruitment of adoptive families, and the facilitation of the adoption process, family reunification, independent living, emergency shelter, residential group care, and foster care, including relative placement.

(((10))) (11) "Performance-based contracting" means the structuring of all aspects of the procurement of services around the purpose of the work to be performed and the desired results with the contract requirements set forth in clear, specific, and objective terms with measurable outcomes. Contracts shall also include provisions that link the performance of the contractor to the level and timing of reimbursement.

(((+1+))) (12) "Permanency services" means long-term services provided to secure a child's safety, permanency, and well-being, including foster care services, family reunification services, adoption services, and preparation for independent living services.

(((12))) (13) "Primary prevention services" means services which are designed and delivered for the primary purpose of enhancing child and family well-being and are shown, by analysis of outcomes, to reduce the risk to the likelihood of the initial need for child welfare services.

(((13))) (14) "Supervising agency" means an agency licensed by the state under RCW 74.15.090, or licensed by a federally recognized Indian tribe located in this state under RCW 74.15.190, that has entered into a performance-based contract with the department to provide case management for the delivery and documentation of child welfare services, as defined in this section.

**Sec. 8.** RCW 74.13.031 and 2011 c 330 s 5 and 2011 c 160 s 2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(1) The department and supervising agencies shall develop, administer, supervise, and monitor a coordinated and comprehensive plan that establishes, aids, and strengthens services for the protection and care of runaway, dependent, or neglected children.

(2) Within available resources, the department and supervising agencies shall recruit an adequate number of prospective adoptive and foster homes, both regular and specialized, i.e. homes for children of ethnic minority, including Indian homes for Indian children, sibling groups, handicapped and emotionally disturbed, teens, pregnant and parenting teens, and the department shall annually report to the governor and the legislature concerning the department's and supervising agency's success in: (a) Meeting the need for adoptive and foster home placements; (b) reducing the foster parent turnover rate; (c) completing home studies for legally free children; and (d) implementing and operating the passport program required by RCW 74.13.285. The report shall include a section entitled "Foster Home Turn-Over, Causes and Recommendations."

(3) The department shall investigate complaints of any recent act or failure to act on the part of a parent or caretaker that results in death, serious physical or emotional harm, or sexual abuse or exploitation, or that presents an imminent risk of serious harm, and on the basis of the findings of such investigation, offer child welfare services in relation to the problem to such parents, legal custodians, or persons serving in loco parentis, and/or bring the situation to the attention of an appropriate court, or another community agency. An investigation is not required of nonaccidental injuries which are clearly not the result of a lack of care or supervision by the child's parents, legal custodians, or persons serving in loco parentis. If the investigation reveals that a crime against a child may have been committed, the department shall notify the appropriate law enforcement agency.

(4) <u>As provided in RCW 26.44.030(11)</u>, the department may respond to a report of child abuse or neglect by using the family assessment response.

(5) The department or supervising agencies shall offer, on a voluntary basis, family reconciliation services to families who are in conflict.

(((5))) (6) The department or supervising agencies shall monitor placements of children in out-of-home care and in-home dependencies to assure the safety, well-being, and quality of care being provided is within the scope of the intent of the legislature as defined in RCW 74.13.010 and 74.15.010. Under this section children in out-of-home care and in-home dependencies and their caregivers shall receive a private and individual face-to-face visit each month. The department and the supervising agencies shall randomly select no less than ten percent of the caregivers currently providing care to receive one unannounced face-to-face visit in the caregiver's home per year. No caregiver will receive an unannounced visit through the random selection process for two consecutive years. If the caseworker makes a good faith effort to conduct the unannounced visit to a caregiver and is unable to do so, that month's visit to that caregiver need not be unannounced. The department and supervising agencies are encouraged to group monthly visits to caregivers by geographic area so that in the event an unannounced visit cannot be completed, the caseworker may complete other required monthly visits. The department shall use a method of random selection that does not cause a fiscal impact to the department.

The department or supervising agencies shall conduct the monthly visits with children and caregivers to whom it is providing child welfare services.

(((<del>(6)</del>))) (7) The department and supervising agencies shall have authority to accept custody of children from parents and to accept custody of children from juvenile courts, where authorized to do so under law, to provide child welfare services including placement for adoption, to provide for the routine and necessary medical, dental, and mental health care, or necessary emergency care of the children, and to provide for the physical care of such children and make payment of maintenance costs if needed. Except where required by Public Law 95- 608 (25 U.S.C. Sec. 1915), no private adoption agency which receives children for adoption from the department shall discriminate on the basis of race, creed, or color when considering applications in their placement for adoption.

(((7))) (8) The department and supervising agency shall have authority to provide temporary shelter to children who have run away from home and who are admitted to crisis residential centers.

 $(((\frac{8})))$  (9) The department and supervising agency shall have authority to purchase care for children.

(((9))) (10) The department shall establish a children's services advisory committee with sufficient members representing supervising agencies which shall assist the secretary in the development of a partnership plan for utilizing resources of the public and private sectors, and advise on all matters pertaining to child welfare, licensing of child care agencies, adoption, and services related thereto. At least one member shall represent the adoption community.

(((10))) (11) The department and supervising agencies shall have authority to provide continued extended foster care services to youth ages eighteen to twenty-one years to participate in or complete a secondary education program or a secondary education equivalency program.

(((+1+))) (12) The department((-, has)) shall have authority to provide adoption support benefits, or relative guardianship subsidies on behalf of youth ages eighteen to twenty-one years who achieved permanency through adoption or a relative guardianship at age sixteen

or older and who meet the criteria described in subsection (((10))) (11) of this section.

(((12))) (13) The department shall refer cases to the division of child support whenever state or federal funds are expended for the care and maintenance of a child, including a child with a developmental disability who is placed as a result of an action under chapter 13.34 RCW, unless the department finds that there is good cause not to pursue collection of child support against the parent or parents of the child. Cases involving individuals age eighteen through twenty shall not be referred to the division of child support unless required by federal law.

(((43))) (14) The department and supervising agencies shall have authority within funds appropriated for foster care services to purchase care for Indian children who are in the custody of a federally recognized Indian tribe or tribally licensed child-placing agency pursuant to parental consent, tribal court order, or state juvenile court order; and the purchase of such care shall be subject to the same eligibility standards and rates of support applicable to other children for whom the department purchases care.

Notwithstanding any other provision of RCW 13.32A.170 through 13.32A.200 and 74.13.032 through 74.13.036, or of this section all services to be provided by the department under subsections (4), (((6), and)) (7), and (8) of this section, subject to the limitations of these subsections, may be provided by any program offering such services funded pursuant to Titles II and III of the federal juvenile justice and delinquency prevention act of 1974.

(((44))) (15) Within amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the supervising agency or department shall provide preventive services to families with children that prevent or shorten the duration of an out-of-home placement.

(((15))) (16) The department and supervising agencies shall have authority to provide independent living services to youths, including individuals who have attained eighteen years of age, and have not attained twenty-one years of age who are or have been in foster care.

(((16))) (17) The department and supervising agencies shall consult at least quarterly with foster parents, including members of the foster parent association of Washington state, for the purpose of receiving information and comment regarding how the department and supervising agencies are performing the duties and meeting the obligations specified in this section and RCW 74.13.250 and 74.13.320 regarding the recruitment of foster homes, reducing foster parent turnover rates, providing effective training for foster parents, and administering a coordinated and comprehensive plan that strengthens services for the protection of children. Consultation shall occur at the regional and statewide levels.

(18)(a) The department shall, within current funding levels, place on its public web site a document listing the duties and responsibilities the department has to a child subject to a dependency petition including, but not limited to, the following:

(i) Reasonable efforts, including the provision of services, toward reunification of the child with his or her family;

(ii) Sibling visits subject to the restrictions in RCW 13.34.136(2)(b)(ii);

(iii) Parent-child visits;

(iv) Statutory preference for placement with a relative or other suitable person, if appropriate; and

(v) Statutory preference for an out-of-home placement that allows the child to remain in the same school or school district, if practical and in the child's best interests.

(b) The document must be prepared in conjunction with a community- based organization and must be updated as needed.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 9. The Washington state institute for public policy shall conduct an evaluation of the implementation of the family assessment response. The institute shall define the data to be gathered and maintained. At a minimum, the evaluations must address child safety measures, out-of-home placement rates, rereferral rates, and caseload sizes and demographics. The institute shall deliver its first report no later than December 1, 2014, and its final report by December 1, 2016.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 10. The department of social and health services shall conduct two client satisfaction surveys of families that have been placed in the family assessment response. The first survey results shall be reported no later than December 1, 2014. The second survey results shall be reported no later than December 1, 2016.

**Sec. 11.** RCW 26.44.125 and 1998 c 314 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A person who is named as an alleged perpetrator after October 1, 1998, in a founded report of child abuse or neglect has the right to seek review and amendment of the finding as provided in this section.

(2) Within ((<del>twenty</del>)) <u>thirty</u> calendar days after ((<del>receiving written</del> notice from the department)) <u>the department has notified the alleged</u> <u>perpetrator</u> under RCW 26.44.100 that ((a)) <u>the</u> person is named as an alleged perpetrator in a founded report of child abuse or neglect, he or she may request that the department review the finding. The request must be made in writing. <u>The written notice provided by the</u> department must contain at least the following information in plain language:

(a) Information about the department's investigative finding as it relates to the alleged perpetrator; (b) Sufficient factual information to apprise the alleged

perpetrator of the date and nature of the founded reports; (c) That the alleged perpetrator has the right to submit to child protective services a written response regarding the child protective

services finding which, if received, shall be filed in the department's records;

(d) That information in the department's records, including information about this founded report, may be considered in a later investigation or proceeding related to a different allegation of child abuse or neglect or child custody;

 (e) That founded allegations of child abuse or neglect may be used
 by
 the
 department
 in
 determining:

 (i) If a perpetrator is qualified to be licensed or approved to care for
 children
 or
 vulnerable
 adults;
 or

(ii) If a perpetrator is qualified to be employed by the department in a position having unsupervised access to children or vulnerable adults;

(f) That the alleged perpetrator has a right to challenge a founded allegation of child abuse or neglect. (3) If a request for review is not made as provided in this subsection, the alleged perpetrator may not further challenge the finding and shall have no right to agency review or to an adjudicative hearing or judicial review of the finding, unless he or she can show that the department did not comply with the notice requirements of RCW 26.44.100.

(((3))) (4) Upon receipt of a written request for review, the department shall review and, if appropriate, may amend the finding. Management level staff within the children's administration designated by the secretary shall be responsible for the review. The review must be completed within thirty days after receiving the written request for review. The review must be conducted in accordance with procedures the department establishes by rule. Upon completion of the review, the department shall notify the alleged perpetrator in writing of the agency's determination. The notification must be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the person's last known address.

(((4))) (5) If, following agency review, the report remains founded, the person named as the alleged perpetrator in the report may request an adjudicative hearing to contest the finding. The adjudicative proceeding is governed by chapter 34.05 RCW and this section. The request for an adjudicative proceeding must be filed within thirty calendar days after receiving notice of the agency review determination. If a request for an adjudicative proceeding is not made as provided in this subsection, the alleged perpetrator may not further challenge the finding and shall have no right to agency review or to an adjudicative hearing or judicial review of the finding.

(((<del>5</del>))) (<u>6</u>) Reviews and hearings conducted under this section are confidential and shall not be open to the public. Information about reports, reviews, and hearings may be disclosed only in accordance with federal and state laws pertaining to child welfare records and child protective services reports.

 $((({\color{black} {\textbf{(f)}}})) \ ({\color{black} {\textbf{7}}})$  The department may adopt rules to implement this section.

**Sec. 12.** RCW 26.44.010 and 1999 c 176 s 27 are each amended to read as follows:

The Washington state legislature finds and declares: The bond between a child and his or her parent, custodian, or guardian is of paramount importance, and any intervention into the life of a child is also an intervention into the life of the parent, custodian, or guardian; however, instances of nonaccidental injury, neglect, death, sexual abuse and cruelty to children by their parents, custodians or guardians have occurred, and in the instance where a child is deprived of his or her right to conditions of minimal nurture, health, and safety, the state is justified in emergency intervention based upon verified information; and therefore the Washington state legislature hereby provides for the reporting of such cases to the appropriate public authorities. It is the intent of the legislature that, as a result of such reports, protective services shall be made available in an effort to prevent further abuses, and to safeguard the general welfare of such children((: PROVIDED, That such)). When the child's physical or mental health is jeopardized, or the safety of the child conflicts with the legal rights of a parent, custodian, or guardian, the health and safety interests of the child should prevail. When determining whether a child and a parent, custodian, or guardian should be separated during or immediately following an investigation of alleged child abuse or neglect, the safety of the child shall be the department's paramount concern. Reports of child abuse and neglect shall be maintained and disseminated with strictest regard for the privacy of the subjects of such reports and so as to safeguard against arbitrary, malicious or erroneous information or actions((: PROVIDED FURTHER, That)). This chapter shall not be construed to authorize interference with child- raising practices, including reasonable parental discipline, which are not proved to be injurious to the child's health, welfare and safety.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 4.24 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Governmental entities, and their officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, are not liable in tort for any of their acts or omissions in emergent placement investigations of child abuse or neglect under chapter 26.44 RCW including, but not limited to, any determination to leave a child with a parent, custodian, or guardian, or to return a child to a parent, custodian, or guardian, unless the act or omission constitutes gross negligence. Emergent placement investigations are those conducted prior to a shelter care hearing under RCW 13.34.065.

(2) The department of social and health services and its employees shall comply with the orders of the court, including shelter care and other dependency orders, and are not liable for acts performed to comply with such court orders. In providing reports and recommendations to the court, employees of the department of social and health services are entitled to the same witness immunity as would be provided to any other witness.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. Sec. 14. A new section is added to chapter 26.44 RCW to read as follows:

Consistent with the paramount concern of the department to protect the child's interests of basic nurture, physical and mental health, and safety, and the requirement that the child's health and safety interests prevail over conflicting legal interests of a parent, custodian, or guardian, the liability of governmental entities, and their officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, to parents, custodians, or guardians accused of abuse or neglect is limited as provided in section 13 of this act.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. Sec. 15. Sections 1 and 3 through 10 of this act take effect December 1, 2013."

Correct the title.

Representatives Kagi and Walsh spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1323) was adopted.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill, as amended by the House, was placed on final passage.

Representatives Kagi and Walsh spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6555, as amended by the House.

# **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6555, as amended by the House, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 80; Nays, 17; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Parker, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Buys, Condotta, Crouse, Haler, Hargrove, Hinkle, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, Overstreet, Pearson, Rodne, Shea, Short and Taylor.

Excused: Representative Nealey.

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6555, as amended by the House, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

# THIRD READING

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 3, 2012

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate refuses to concur in the House amendment to SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6081 and asks the House to recede therefrom,

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy Secretary

# HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL

#### SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6081, by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Swecker, Ranker, King, Hatfield, Becker, Ericksen, Nelson, Regala and Shin)

#### Authorizing counties and ferry districts operating ferries to impose a vessel replacement surcharge on ferry fares sold.

The bill was read the third time.

There being no objection, the House receded from its amendment to SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6081.

Representative Liias and Armstrong spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6081 without the House amendments.

# **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6081, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 80; Nays, 17; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Buys, Condotta, Crouse, Hargrove, Harris, Hinkle, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Rodne, Shea, Short and Taylor.

Excused: Representative Nealey.

Mr. Speaker:

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6081, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 5, 2012

The Senate refuses to concur in the House amendment to SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6135 and asks the House to recede therefrom, and the same is herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy Secretary

# HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL

There being no objection, the House insisted on its position in its amendment to SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6135 and asked the Senate for a conference thereon. The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) appointed Representatives Blake, Hudgins and McCune as conferees.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

February 29, 2012

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2349 with the following amendment:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that beavers have historically played a significant role in maintaining the health of watersheds in the Pacific Northwest and act as key agents in riparian ecology. The live trapping and relocating of beavers has long been recognized as a beneficial wildlife management practice, and has been successfully utilized to restore and maintain stream ecosystems for over fifty years. The benefits of active beaver populations include reduced stream sedimentation, stream temperature moderation, higher dissolved oxygen levels, overall improved water quality, increased natural water storage capabilities within watersheds, and reduced stream velocities. These benefits improve and create habitat for many other species, including endangered salmon, river otters, sandhill cranes, trumpeter swans, and other riparian and aquatic species. Relocating beavers into their historic habitat provides a natural mechanism for improving the environmental conditions in Washington's riparian ecosystems without having to resort to governmental regulation or expensive publicly funded engineering projects.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 77.32 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The department shall permit the release of wild beavers on public and private lands with agreement from the property owner.

(2) The department may limit the release of wild beavers to areas of the state where:

(a) There is a low probability of released beavers becoming a nuisance or causing damage;

(b) Conditions exist for released beavers to improve, maintain, or manage stream or riparian ecosystem functions; and

(c) There is evidence of historic endemic beaver populations.

(3) The department may condition the release of beaver to maximize the relocation's success and minimize risk. Factors that the department may condition include:

(a) Stream gradient;

(b) Sufficiency of the water supply;

(c) Stream geomorphology;

(d) Adequacy of a food source;

(e) Proper site elevation and valley width;

(f) Age of the beavers relocated;

(g) Times of year for capture and relocation;

(h) Requirements for the capture, handling, and transport of the live beavers;

(i) Minimum and maximum numbers of beavers that can be relocated in one area; and

(j) Requirements for the permit holder to initially provide supplemental food and lodge building materials.

(4) The department may require specific training for those involved with capture, handling, and release of beavers.

(5) Nothing in this section creates any liability against the state or those releasing beavers nor authorizes any private right of action for any damages subsequently caused by beavers released pursuant to this section.

(6) For the purposes of this section, "beaver" means the American beaver (*Castor canadensis*).

(7) For the purposes of this section, beavers may only be released to carry out relocation: (a) Between two areas east of the crest of the Cascade mountains; or (b) from an area west of the crest of the Cascade mountains to an area east of the crest of the Cascade mountains. <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 77.36 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Whenever the department receives a request for relocating beaver, the department must inform the requesting party of locations, if available, of surplus beaver available for capture and relocation. The department may identify nuisance beaver or areas with thriving beaver populations as a source population for capturing and relocating beaver.

(2) The department shall post on the agency's web site quarterly reports of nuisance beaver activity, beaver trapping, and beaver relocations reported to the department.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. (1) The department of fish and wildlife must initiate a beaver management stakeholder's forum by January 1, 2013, and report the outcomes of the forum to the legislature consistent with RCW 43.01.036.

(2) This section expires July 31, 2014."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "beavers;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter 77.32 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 77.36 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date."

and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoeman, Secretary

# SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2349 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

# FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Kretz and Blake spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2349, as amended by the Senate.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Substitute House Bill No. 2349, as amended by the Senate, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 96; Nays, 1; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Voting nay: Representative Anderson. Excused: Representative Nealey. SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2349, as amended by the Senate, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 5, 2012

The Senate has passed ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2614 with the following amendment:

Mr. Speaker:

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 64.04 RCW to read as follows:

(1) If the beneficiary or mortgagee, or its assignees, of debt secured by owner-occupied real property intends to release its deed of trust or mortgage in the real property for less than full payment of the secured debt, it shall provide upon its first written notice to the borrower the following information in substantially the following form:

"To: [Name of borrower] DATE:

Please take note that [name of beneficiary or mortgagee, or its assignees], in releasing its security interest in this owner-occupied real property, [waives or reserves] the right to collect that amount that constitutes full payment of the secured debt. The amount of debt outstanding as of the date of this letter is \$..... However, nothing in this letter precludes the borrower from negotiating with the [name of beneficiary or mortgagee, or its assignees] for a full release of this outstanding debt.

If [name of beneficiary or mortgagee, or its assignees] does not initiate a court action to collect the outstanding debt within three years on the date which it released its security interest, the right to collect the outstanding debt is forfeited."

(2) If the beneficiary or mortgagee, or its assignees, of debt secured by owner-occupied real property intends to pursue collection of the outstanding debt, it must initiate a court action to collect the remaining debt within three years from the date on which it released its deed of trust or mortgage in the owner-occupied real property or else it forfeits any right to collect the remaining debt.

(3) This section applies only to debts incurred by individuals primarily for personal, family, or household purposes. This section does not apply to debts for business, commercial, or agricultural purposes.

(4) For the purposes of this section, "owner-occupied real property" means real property consisting solely of a single-family residence, a residential condominium unit, or a residential cooperative unit that is the principal residence of the borrower.

Sec. 2. RCW 18.86.120 and 1997 c 217 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The pamphlet required under RCW 18.86.030(1)(f) shall consist of the entire text of RCW 18.86.010 through 18.86.030 and 18.86.040 through 18.86.110 with a separate cover page. The pamphlet shall be 8 1/2 by 11 inches in size, the text shall be in print no smaller than 10-point type, the cover page shall be in print no smaller than 12-point type, and the title of the cover page "The Law of Real Estate Agency" shall be in print no smaller than 18-point type. The cover page shall be in the following form:

#### The Law of Real Estate Agency

This pamphlet describes your legal rights in dealing with a real estate broker or salesperson. Please read it carefully before signing any documents.

The following is only a brief summary of the attached law:

Sec. 1. Definitions. Defines the specific terms used in the law.

Sec. 2. Relationships between Licensees and the Public. States that a licensee who works with a buyer or tenant represents that buyer or tenant--unless the licensee is the listing agent, a seller's subagent, a dual agent, the seller personally or the parties agree otherwise. Also states that in a transaction involving two different licensees affiliated with the same broker, the broker is a dual agent and each licensee solely represents his or her client--unless the parties agree in writing that both licensees are dual agents.

Sec. 3. Duties of a Licensee Generally. Prescribes the duties that are owed by all licensees, regardless of who the licensee represents. Requires disclosure of the licensee's agency relationship in a specific transaction.

Sec. 4. Duties of a Seller's Agent. Prescribes the additional duties of a licensee representing the seller or landlord only.

Sec. 5. Duties of a Buyer's Agent. Prescribes the additional duties of a licensee representing the buyer or tenant only.

Sec. 6. Duties of a Dual Agent. Prescribes the additional duties of a licensee representing both parties in the same transaction, and requires the written consent of both parties to the licensee acting as a dual agent.

Sec. 7. Duration of Agency Relationship. Describes when an agency relationship begins and ends. Provides that the duties of accounting and confidentiality continue after the termination of an agency relationship.

Sec. 8. Compensation. Allows brokers to share compensation with cooperating brokers. States that payment of compensation does not necessarily establish an agency relationship. Allows brokers to receive compensation from more than one party in a transaction with the parties' consent.

Sec. 9. Vicarious Liability. Eliminates the common law liability of a party for the conduct of the party's agent or subagent, unless the agent or subagent is insolvent. Also limits the liability of a broker for the conduct of a subagent associated with a different broker.

Sec. 10. Imputed Knowledge and Notice. Eliminates the common law rule that notice to or knowledge of an agent constitutes notice to or knowledge of the principal. Sec. 11. Interpretation. This law replaces the fiduciary duties owed by an agent to a principal under the common law, to the extent that it conflicts with the common law.

(2)(a) The pamphlet required under RCW 18.86.030(1)(f) must also include the following disclosure: When the seller of owner-occupied residential real property enters into a listing agreement with a real estate licensee where the proceeds from the sale may be insufficient to cover the costs at closing, it is the responsibility of the real estate licensee to disclose to the seller in writing that the decision by any beneficiary or mortgagee, or its assignees, to release its interest in the real property, for less than the amount the borrower owes, does not automatically relieve the seller of the obligation to pay any debt or costs remaining at closing, including fees such as the real estate licensee's commission.

(b) For the purposes of this subsection, "owner-occupied real property" means real property consisting solely of a single-family residence, a residential condominium unit, or a residential cooperative unit that is the principal residence of the borrower.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 4.16.040 and 2007 c 124 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

The following actions shall be commenced within six years:

(1) An action upon a contract in writing, or liability express or implied arising out of a written agreement, except as provided for in section 1(2) of this act.

(2) An action upon an account receivable. For purposes of this section, an account receivable is any obligation for payment incurred in the ordinary course of the claimant's business or profession, whether arising from one or more transactions and whether or not earned by performance.

(3) An action for the rents and profits or for the use and occupation of real estate.

Sec. 4. RCW 61.24.031 and 2011 c 58 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) A trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent may not issue a notice of default under RCW 61.24.030(8) until: (i) Thirty days after ((initial contact with the borrower was initiated as required under (b) of this subsection or thirty days after)) satisfying the due diligence requirements as described in subsection (5) of this section and the borrower has not responded; or (ii) if the borrower responds to the initial contact, ninety days after the initial contact with the borrower was initiated.

(b) A beneficiary or authorized agent shall make initial contact with the borrower by letter to provide the borrower with information required under (c) of this subsection and by telephone as required under subsection (5) of this section. The letter required under this subsection must be mailed in accordance with subsection (5)(a) of this section and must include the information described in (c) of this subsection (5)(e)(i) through (iv) of this section.

(c) The letter required under this subsection, developed by the department pursuant to RCW 61.24.033, at a minimum shall include:

(i) A paragraph printed in no less than twelve-point font and bolded that reads:

"You must respond within thirty days of the date of this letter. IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND within thirty days, a notice of default may be issued and you may lose your home in foreclosure.

IF YOU DO RESPOND within thirty days of the date of this letter, you will have an additional sixty days to meet with your lender before a notice of default may be issued.

You should contact a housing counselor or attorney as soon as possible. Failure to contact a housing counselor or attorney may result in your losing certain opportunities, such as meeting with your lender or participating in mediation in front of a neutral third party. A housing counselor or attorney can help you work with your lender to avoid foreclosure.

If you filed bankruptcy or have been discharged in bankruptcy, this communication is not intended as an attempt to collect a debt from you personally, but is notice of enforcement of the deed of trust lien against the property. If you wish to avoid foreclosure and keep your property, this notice sets forth your rights and options.";

(ii) The toll-free telephone number from the United States department of housing and urban development to find a departmentapproved housing counseling agency, the toll-free numbers for the statewide foreclosure hotline recommended by the housing finance commission, and the statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys;

(iii) A paragraph stating that a housing counselor may be available at little or no cost to the borrower and that whether or not the borrower contacts a housing counselor or attorney, the borrower has the right to request a meeting with the beneficiary; and

(iv) A paragraph explaining how the borrower may respond to the letter and stating that after responding the borrower will have an opportunity to meet with his or her beneficiary in an attempt to resolve and try to work out an alternative to the foreclosure and that, after ninety days from the date of the letter, a notice of default may be issued, which starts the foreclosure process.

(d) If the beneficiary has exercised due diligence as required under subsection (5) of this section and the borrower does not respond by contacting the beneficiary within thirty days of the initial contact, the notice of default may be issued. "Initial contact" with the borrower is considered made three days after the date the letter required in (b) of this subsection is sent.

(e) If a meeting is requested by the borrower or the borrower's housing counselor or attorney, the beneficiary or authorized agent shall schedule the meeting to occur before the notice of default is issued. An assessment of the borrower's financial ability to modify or restructure the loan obligation and a discussion of options must occur during the meeting scheduled for that purpose.

(f) The meeting scheduled to assess the borrower's financial ability to modify or restructure the loan obligation and discuss options to avoid foreclosure ((must be in person, unless the requirement to meet in person is waived in writing by the borrower or the borrower's representative. A person who is authorized to modify the loan obligation or reach an alternative resolution to foreclosure on behalf of the beneficiary may participate by telephone or video conference, so long as a representative of the beneficiary is at the meeting in person)) may be held telephonically, unless the borrower or borrower's representative requests in writing that a meeting be held in person. The written request for an in-person meeting must be made within thirty days of the initial contact with the borrower. If the meeting is requested to be held in person, the meeting must be held in the county where the borrower resides. A person who is authorized to agree to a resolution, including modifying or restructuring the loan obligation or other alternative resolution to foreclosure on behalf of the beneficiary, must be present either in person or on the telephone or video conference during the meeting.

(2) A notice of default issued under RCW 61.24.030(8) must include a declaration, as provided in subsection (9) of this section, from the beneficiary or authorized agent that it has contacted the borrower as provided in subsection (1) of this section, it has tried with due diligence to contact the borrower under subsection (5) of this section, or the borrower has surrendered the property to the trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent. Unless the trustee has violated his or her duty under RCW 61.24.010(4), the trustee is entitled to rely on the declaration as evidence that the requirements of this section have been satisfied, and the trustee is not liable for the beneficiary's or its authorized agent's failure to comply with the requirements of this section.

(3) If, after the initial contact under subsection (1) of this section, a borrower has designated a housing counseling agency, housing counselor, or attorney to discuss with the beneficiary or authorized agent, on the borrower's behalf, options for the borrower to avoid foreclosure, the borrower shall inform the beneficiary or authorized agent and provide the contact information to the beneficiary or authorized agent. The beneficiary or authorized agent shall contact the designated representative for the borrower to meet.

(4) The beneficiary or authorized agent and the borrower or the borrower's representative shall attempt to reach a resolution for the borrower within the ninety days from the time the initial contact is sent and the notice of default is issued. A resolution may include, but is not limited to, a loan modification, an agreement to conduct a short sale, or a deed in lieu of foreclosure transaction, or some other workout plan. Any modification or workout plan offered at the meeting with the borrower's designated representative by the beneficiary or authorized agent is subject to approval by the borrower.

(5) A notice of default may be issued under RCW 61.24.030(8) if a beneficiary or authorized agent has initiated contact with the borrower as required under subsection (1)(b) of this section and the failure to meet with the borrower occurred despite the due diligence of the beneficiary or authorized agent. Due diligence requires the following:

(a) A beneficiary or authorized agent shall first attempt to contact a borrower by sending a first-class letter to the address in the beneficiary's records for sending account statements to the borrower and to the address of the property encumbered by the deed of trust. The letter must be the letter described in subsection (1)(c) of this section.

(b)(i) After the letter has been sent, the beneficiary or authorized agent shall attempt to contact the borrower by telephone at least three times at different hours and on different days. Telephone calls must be made to the primary and secondary telephone numbers on file with the beneficiary or authorized agent.

(ii) A beneficiary or authorized agent may attempt to contact a borrower using an automated system to dial borrowers if the telephone call, when answered, is connected to a live representative of the beneficiary or authorized agent.

(iii) A beneficiary or authorized agent satisfies the telephone contact requirements of this subsection (5)(b) if the beneficiary or authorized agent determines, after attempting contact under this subsection (5)(b), that the borrower's primary telephone number and secondary telephone number or numbers on file, if any, have been disconnected or are not good contact numbers for the borrower.

(iv) The telephonic contact under this subsection (5)(b) does not constitute the meeting under subsection (1)(f) of this section.

(c) If the borrower does not respond within fourteen days after the telephone call requirements of (b) of this subsection have been satisfied, the beneficiary or authorized agent shall send a certified letter, with return receipt requested, to the borrower at the address in the beneficiary's records for sending account statements to the borrower and to the address of the property encumbered by the deed of trust. The letter must include the information described in (e)(i) through (iv) of this subsection. The letter must also include a paragraph stating: "Your failure to contact a housing counselor or attorney may result in your losing certain opportunities, such as meeting with your lender or participating in mediation in front of a neutral third party."

(d) The beneficiary or authorized agent shall provide a means for the borrower to contact the beneficiary or authorized agent in a timely manner, including a toll-free telephone number or charge-free equivalent that will provide access to a live representative during business hours for the purpose of initiating and scheduling the meeting under subsection (1)(f) of this section. (e) The beneficiary or authorized agent shall post a link on the home page of the beneficiary's or authorized agent's internet web site, if any, to the following information:

 (i) Options that may be available to borrowers who are unable to afford their mortgage payments and who wish to avoid foreclosure, and instructions to borrowers advising them on steps to take to explore those options;

 (ii) A list of financial documents borrowers should collect and be prepared to present to the beneficiary or authorized agent when discussing options for avoiding foreclosure;

(iii) A toll-free telephone number or charge-free equivalent for borrowers who wish to discuss options for avoiding foreclosure with their beneficiary or authorized agent; and

(iv) The toll-free telephone number or charge-free equivalent made available by the department to find a department-approved housing counseling agency.

(6) Subsections (1) and (5) of this section do not apply if ((any of the following occurs:

(a))) the borrower has surrendered the property as evidenced by either a letter confirming the surrender or delivery of the keys to the property to the trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent((; or (b) The borrower has filed for bankruptcy, and the bankruptcy stay remains in place, or the borrower has filed for bankruptcy and the bankruptcy court has granted relief from the bankruptcy stay allowing enforcement of the deed of trust)).

(7)(a) This section applies only to deeds of trust that are recorded against owner-occupied residential real property. This section does not apply to deeds of trust: (i) Securing a commercial loan; (ii) securing obligations of a grantor who is not the borrower or a guarantor; or (iii) securing a purchaser's obligations under a sellerfinanced sale.

(b) This section does not apply to association beneficiaries subject to chapter 64.32, 64.34, or 64.38 RCW.

(8) As used in this section:

(a) "Department" means the United States department of housing and urban development.

(b) "Seller-financed sale" means a residential real property transaction where the seller finances all or part of the purchase price, and that financed amount is secured by a deed of trust against the subject residential real property.

(9) The form of declaration to be provided by the beneficiary or authorized agent as required under subsection (2) of this section must be in substantially the following form:

#### **"FORECLOSURE LOSS MITIGATION FORM**

#### Please select applicable option(s) below.

The undersigned beneficiary or authorized agent for the beneficiary hereby represents and declares under the penalty of perjury that [check the applicable box and fill in any blanks so that the trustee can insert, on the beneficiary's behalf, the applicable declaration in the notice of default required under chapter 61.24 RCW]:

(1) [] The beneficiary or beneficiary's authorized agent has contacted the borrower under, and has complied with, RCW 61.24.031 (contact provision to "assess the borrower's financial ability to pay the debt secured by the deed of trust and explore options for the borrower to avoid foreclosure") and the borrower did not request a meeting.

(2) [] The beneficiary or beneficiary's authorized agent has contacted the borrower as required under RCW 61.24.031 and the borrower or the borrower's designated representative requested a meeting. A meeting was held in compliance with RCW 61.24.031.

(3) [] The beneficiary or beneficiary's authorized agent has exercised due diligence to contact the borrower as required in RCW 61.24.031(5).

(4) [] The borrower has surrendered the secured property as evidenced by either a letter confirming the surrender or by delivery of the keys to the secured property to the beneficiary, the beneficiary's authorized agent or to the trustee.

(((5) [] Under RCW 61.24.031, the beneficiary or the beneficiary's authorized agent has verified information that, on or before the date of this declaration, the borrower(s) has filed for bankruptey, and the bankruptey stay remains in place, or the borrower has filed for bankruptey and the bankruptey court has granted relief from the bankruptey stay allowing the enforcement of the deed of trust.))"

**Sec. 5.** RCW 61.24.160 and 2011 c 58 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

(1)(a) A housing counselor who is contacted by a borrower under RCW 61.24.031 has a duty to act in good faith to attempt to reach a resolution with the beneficiary on behalf of the borrower within the ninety days provided from the date the beneficiary initiates contact with the borrower and the date the notice of default is issued. A resolution may include, but is not limited to, modification of the loan, an agreement to conduct a short sale, a deed in lieu of foreclosure transaction, or some other workout plan.

(b) Nothing in RCW 61.24.031 or this section precludes a meeting or negotiations between the housing counselor, borrower, and beneficiary at any time, including after the issuance of the notice of default.

(c) A borrower who is contacted under RCW 61.24.031 may seek the assistance of a housing counselor or attorney at any time.

(2) Housing counselors have a duty to act in good faith to assist borrowers by:

(a) Preparing the borrower for meetings with the beneficiary;

(b) Advising the borrower about what documents the borrower must have to seek a loan modification or other resolution;

(c) Informing the borrower about the alternatives to foreclosure, including loan modifications or other possible resolutions; and

(d) Providing other guidance, advice, and education as the housing counselor considers necessary.

(3) A housing counselor or attorney assisting a borrower may refer the borrower to ((a)) mediation ((program)), pursuant to RCW 61.24.163, if((:

(a))) the housing counselor or attorney determines that mediation is appropriate based on the individual circumstances((; and (b) A notice of sale on the deed of trust has not been recorded.
 (4))) and the borrower has received a notice of default. The referral to mediation may be made any time after a notice of default has been issued but no later than twenty days after the date a notice of sale has been recorded.

(4) For borrowers who have received a letter under RCW 61.24.031 before the effective date of this section, a referral to mediation by a housing counselor or attorney does not preclude a trustee issuing a notice of default if the requirements of RCW 61.24.031 have been met.

(5) Housing counselors providing assistance to borrowers under RCW 61.24.031 are not liable for civil damages resulting from any acts or omissions in providing assistance, unless the acts or omissions constitute gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

(6) Housing counselors shall provide information to the department to assist the department in its annual report to the legislature as required under RCW  $61.24.163(((\frac{15}{15})))$  (18). The information provided to the department by the housing counselors should include outcomes of foreclosures and be similar to the information requested in the national foreclosure mortgage counseling client level foreclosure outcomes report form.

**Sec. 6.** RCW 61.24.163 and 2011 2nd sp.s. c 4 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The foreclosure mediation program established in this section applies only to borrowers who have been referred to mediation by a housing counselor or attorney. <u>The referral to mediation may be</u> <u>made any time after a notice of default has been issued but no later</u> than twenty days after the date a notice of sale has been recorded. The mediation program under this section is not governed by chapter 7.07 RCW and does not preclude mediation required by a court or other provision of law.

(2) A housing counselor or attorney referring a borrower to mediation shall send a notice to the borrower and the department, stating that mediation is appropriate.

(3) Within ten days of receiving the notice, the department shall:

(a) Send a notice to the beneficiary, the borrower, the housing counselor or attorney who referred the borrower, and the trustee stating that the parties have been referred to mediation. The notice must include the statements and list of documents and information described in subsections (4) and (5)(((b)(i) through (iv)))) of this section and a statement explaining each party's responsibility to pay the mediator's fee; and

(b) Select a mediator and notify the parties of the selection.

(4) Within ((forty-five)) twenty-three days of the department's notice that the parties have been referred to mediation, the borrower shall transmit the documents required for mediation to the mediator and the beneficiary. The required documents include an initial Making Home Affordable Application (HAMP) package or such other equivalent homeowner financial information worksheet as required by the department. In the event the department is required to create a worksheet, the worksheet must include, at a minimum, the following information: (a) The borrower's current and future income; (b) Debts and obligations; (c) Assets; (d) Expenses; (e) Tax returns for the previous two vears: information; (f) Hardship (g) Other applicable information commonly required by any applicable federal mortgage relief program. (5) Within twenty days of the beneficiary's receipt of the borrower's documents, the beneficiary shall transmit the documents required for mediation to the mediator and the borrower. The required documents include: (a) An accurate statement containing the balance of the loan within thirty days of the date on which the beneficiary's documents are due to the parties; (b) Copies the note deed of of and trust; (c) Proof that the entity claiming to be the beneficiary is the owner of any promissory note or obligation secured by the deed of trust. Sufficient proof may be a copy of the declaration described in RCW 61.24.030(7)(a); (d) The best estimate of any arrearage and an itemized statement the arrearages; of (e) An itemized list of the best estimate of fees and charges outstanding;

(f) The payment history and schedule for the preceding twelve months, or since default, whichever is longer, including a breakdown of all fees and charges claimed; (g) All borrower-related and mortgage-related input data used in any net present values analysis. If no net present values analysis is required by the applicable federal mortgage relief program, then the input data required under the federal deposit insurance corporation and published in the federal deposit insurance corporation loan modification program guide, or if that calculation becomes unavailable, substantially similar input data as determined by the department;

(h) An explanation regarding any denial for a loan modification, forbearance, or other alternative to foreclosure in sufficient detail for a reasonable person to understand why the decision was made; (i) Appraisal or other broker price opinion most recently relied upon by the beneficiary not more than ninety days old at the time of the scheduled mediation; and (j) The portion or excerpt of the pooling and servicing agreement that prohibits the beneficiary from implementing a modification, if the beneficiary claims it cannot implement a modification due solely to limitations in a pooling and servicing agreement, and documentation or a statement detailing the efforts of the beneficiary to obtain a waiver of the pooling and servicing agreement provisions. (6) Within seventy days of receiving the referral from the department, the mediator shall convene a mediation session in the county where the borrower resides, unless the parties agree on another location. The parties may agree ((in writing)) to extend the time in which to schedule the mediation session. If the parties agree to extend the time, the beneficiary shall notify the trustee of the extension and the date the mediator is expected to issue the mediator's certification.

(((5))) (7)(a) The mediator may schedule phone conferences, consultations with the parties individually, and other communications to ensure that the parties have all the necessary information and documents to engage in a productive mediation.

(b) The mediator must send written notice of the time, date, and location of the mediation session to the borrower, the beneficiary, and the department at least ((fifteen)) thirty days prior to the mediation session. At a minimum, the notice must contain:

(i) A statement that the borrower may be represented in the mediation session by an attorney or other advocate;

(ii) A statement that a person with authority to agree to a resolution, including a proposed settlement, loan modification, or dismissal or continuation of the foreclosure proceeding, must be present either in person or on the telephone or video conference during the mediation session; and

(iii) ((A complete list of documents and information required by this section that the parties must provide to the mediator and the deadlines for providing the documents and information; and — (iv))) A statement that the parties have a duty to mediate in good faith and that failure to mediate in good faith may impair the beneficiary's ability to foreclose on the property or the borrower's ability to modify the loan or take advantage of other alternatives to foreclosure.

(((6))) (8)(a) The borrower, the beneficiary or authorized agent, and the mediator must meet in person for the mediation session. However, a person with authority to agree to a resolution on behalf of the beneficiary may be present over the telephone or video conference during the mediation session.

(((7))) (b) After the mediation session commences, the mediator may continue the mediation session once, and any further continuances must be with the consent of the parties. (9) The participants in mediation must address the issues of foreclosure that may enable the borrower and the beneficiary to reach a resolution, including but not limited to reinstatement, modification of the loan, restructuring of the debt, or some other workout plan. To assist the parties in addressing issues of foreclosure, the mediator ((<del>must</del>)) may require the participants to consider the following:

(a) The borrower's current and future economic circumstances, including the borrower's current and future income, debts, and obligations for the previous sixty days or greater time period as determined by the mediator;

(b) The net present value of receiving payments pursuant to a modified mortgage loan as compared to the anticipated net recovery following foreclosure;

(c) Any affordable loan modification calculation and net present value calculation when required under any federal mortgage relief program, including the home affordable modification program (HAMP) as applicable to government-sponsored enterprise and nongovernment- sponsored enterprise loans and any HAMP-related modification program applicable to loans insured by the federal housing administration, the veterans administration, and the rural housing service. If such a calculation is not provided or required, then the beneficiary must ((use the current calculations, assumptions, and forms that are)) provide the net present value data inputs established by the federal deposit insurance corporation and published in the federal deposit insurance corporation loan modification program guide or other net present value data inputs as designated by the department. The mediator may run the calculation in order for a productive mediation to occur and to comply with the mediator certification requirement; and

(d) Any other loss mitigation guidelines to loans insured by the federal housing administration, the veterans administration, and the rural housing service, if applicable.

((((3)))) (10) A violation of the duty to mediate in good faith as required under this section may include:

(a) Failure to timely participate in mediation without good cause;

(b) Failure of the <u>borrower or the</u> beneficiary to provide the ((following documentation to the borrower and mediator at least ten days before the mediation or pursuant to the mediator's instructions:

 (i) An accurate statement containing the balance of the loan as of the first day of the month in which the mediation occurs;
 (ii) Copies of the note and deed of trust;
 (iii) Proof that the entity claiming to be the beneficiary is the owner of any promissory note or obligation secured by the deed of trust. Sufficient proof may be a copy of the declaration described in RCW 61.24.030(7)(a);
 (iv) The best estimate of any arrearage and an itemized statement

of the arrearages; (v) An itemized list of the best estimate of fees and charges outstanding:

(vi) The payment history and schedule for the preceding twelve months, or since default, whichever is longer, including a breakdown all fees and charges claimed; <del>of</del> (vii) All borrower-related and mortgage related input data used in net present value analysis; any-(viii) An explanation regarding any denial for a loan modification, forbearance, or other alternative to foreclosure in sufficient detail for a reasonable person to understand why the decisionwas made: (ix) The most recently available appraisal or other broker price opinion most recently relied upon by the beneficiary; and (x) The portion or excerpt of the pooling and servicing agreement that prohibits the beneficiary from implementing a modification, if the beneficiary claims it cannot implement a modification due solely to limitations in a pooling and servicing agreement, and documentation or a statement detailing the efforts of the beneficiary to obtain a waiver of the pooling and servicing agreement provisions; (c) Failure of the borrower to provide documentation to the beneficiary and mediator, at least ten days before the mediation or pursuant to the mediator's instruction, showing the borrower's current and future income, debts and obligations, and tax returns for the past vears: two

- (d) Failure of either party to pay the respective portion of the mediation fee in advance of the mediation as required under this section;

(e))) documentation required before mediation or pursuant to the mediator's instructions;

(c) Failure of a party to designate representatives with adequate authority to fully settle, compromise, or otherwise reach resolution with the borrower in mediation; and

(((f))) (d) A request by a beneficiary that the borrower waive future claims he or she may have in connection with the deed of trust,

as a condition of agreeing to a modification, except for rescission claims under the federal truth in lending act. Nothing in this section precludes a beneficiary from requesting that a borrower dismiss with prejudice any pending claims against the beneficiary, its agents, loan servicer, or trustee, arising from the underlying deed of trust, as a condition of modification.

(((9))) (11) If the mediator reasonably believes a borrower will not attend a mediation session based on the borrower's conduct, such as the lack of response to the mediator's communications, the mediator may cancel a scheduled mediation session and send a written cancellation to the department and the trustee and send copies to the parties. The beneficiary may proceed with the foreclosure after receipt of the mediator's written confirmation of cancellation. (12) Within seven business days after the conclusion of the mediation session, the mediator must send a written certification to the department and the trustee and send copies to the parties of:

(a) The date, time, and location of the mediation session;

(b) The names of all persons attending in person and by telephone or video conference, at the mediation session;

(c) Whether a resolution was reached by the parties, including whether the default was cured by reinstatement, modification, or restructuring of the debt, or some other alternative to foreclosure was agreed upon by the parties;

(d) Whether the parties participated in the mediation in good faith; and

(e) If a written agreement was not reached, a description of ((the)) any net present value test used, along with a copy of the inputs, including the result of ((the)) any net present value test expressed in a dollar amount.

(((10))) (13) If the parties are unable to reach ((any agreement and the mediator certifies that the parties acted in good faith, the beneficiary may proceed with the foreclosure. (11))) an agreement, the beneficiary may proceed with the foreclosure after receipt of the mediator's written certification. (14)(a) The mediator's certification that the beneficiary failed to act in good faith in mediation constitutes a defense to the nonjudicial foreclosure action that was the basis for initiating the mediation. In any action to enjoin the foreclosure, the beneficiary ((shall be)) is entitled to rebut the allegation that it failed to act in good faith.

(b) The mediator's certification that the beneficiary failed to act in good faith during mediation does not constitute a defense to a judicial foreclosure or a future nonjudicial foreclosure action if a modification of the loan is agreed upon and the borrower subsequently defaults.

(c) If an <u>affordable loan modification is not offered in the</u> <u>mediation or a written</u> agreement was not reached and the mediator's certification shows that the net present value of the modified loan exceeds the anticipated net recovery at foreclosure, that showing in the certification ((<del>shall</del>)) constitutes a basis for the borrower to enjoin the foreclosure.

(((42))) (15) The mediator's certification that the borrower failed to act in good faith in mediation authorizes the beneficiary to proceed with the foreclosure.

(((13))) (16)(a) If a borrower has been referred to mediation before a notice of trustee sale has been recorded, a trustee may not record the notice of sale until the trustee receives the mediator's certification stating that the mediation has been completed. (((b))) If the trustee does not receive the mediator's certification, the trustee may record the notice of sale after ten days from the date the certification to the trustee was due. If ((the)), after a notice of sale is recorded under this subsection ((((13)(b) and)) (16)(a), the mediator subsequently issues a certification ((alleging)) finding that the beneficiary violated the duty of good faith, ((the trustee may not proceed with the sale. (14))) the certification constitutes a basis for the borrower to enjoin the foreclosure. (b) If a borrower has been referred to mediation after the notice of sale was recorded, the sale may not occur until the trustee receives the

<u>mediator's certification stating that the mediation has been completed.</u> (17) A mediator may charge reasonable fees as authorized by this subsection and by the department. Unless the fee is waived or the parties agree otherwise, a foreclosure mediator's fee may not exceed four hundred dollars for <u>preparing</u>, scheduling, and conducting a mediation session lasting between one hour and three hours. For a mediation session exceeding three hours, the foreclosure mediator may charge a reasonable fee, as authorized by the department. The mediator must provide an estimated fee before the mediation, and payment of the mediator's fee must be divided equally between the beneficiary and the borrower. The beneficiary and the borrower must tender the loan mediator's fee ((seven)) within thirty calendar days ((before the commencement of the)) from receipt of the department's letter referring the parties to mediation or pursuant to the mediator's instructions.

(((15))) (18) Beginning December 1, 2012, and every year thereafter, the department shall report annually to the legislature on:

(a) The performance of the program, including the numbers of borrowers who are referred to mediation by a housing counselor or attorney;

(b) The results of the mediation program, including the number of mediations requested by housing counselors and attorneys, the number of certifications of good faith issued, the number of borrowers and beneficiaries who failed to mediate in good faith, and the reasons for the failure to mediate in good faith, if known, the numbers of loans restructured or modified, the change in the borrower's monthly payment for principal and interest and the number of principal write-downs and interest rate reductions, and, to the extent practical, the number of borrowers who report a default within a year of restructuring or modification;

(c) The information received by housing counselors regarding outcomes of foreclosures; and

(d) Any recommendations for changes to the statutes regarding the mediation program.

**Sec. 7.** RCW 61.24.169 and 2011 2nd sp.s. c 4 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) For the purposes of RCW 61.24.163, the department must maintain a list of approved foreclosure mediators. The department may approve the following persons to serve as foreclosure mediators under this section <u>if the person has completed ten mediations and either a forty- hour mediation course and sixty hours of mediating or has two hundred hours experience mediating:</u>

(a) Attorneys who are active members of the Washington state bar association;

(b) Employees of United States department of housing and urban development-approved housing counseling agencies or approved by the Washington state housing finance commission;

(c) Employees or volunteers of dispute resolution centers under chapter 7.75 RCW; ((and))

(d) Retired judges of Washington courts<u>; and</u> (e) Other experienced mediators.

(2) The department may establish a required training program for foreclosure mediators and may require mediators to acquire training before being approved. The mediators must be familiar with relevant aspects of the law, have knowledge of community-based resources and mortgage assistance programs, and refer borrowers to these programs where appropriate.

(3) The department may remove any mediator from the approved list of mediators.

(4)(a) A mediator under this section ((who is an employee or volunteer of a dispute resolution center under chapter 7.75 RCW)) is immune from suit in any civil action based on any proceedings or other official acts performed in his or her capacity as a foreclosure mediator, except in cases of willful or wanton misconduct.

(b) A mediator is not subject to discovery or compulsory process to testify in any litigation pertaining to a foreclosure action between the parties. However, the mediator's certification and all information and material presented as part of the mediation process may be deemed admissible evidence, subject to court rules, in any litigation pertaining to a foreclosure action between the parties.

Sec. 8. RCW 61.24.174 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 24 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection ((((4))) (5) of this section, beginning October 1, 2011, and every quarter thereafter, every beneficiary issuing notices of default, or directing that a trustee or authorized agent issue the notice of default, on owner-occupied residential real property under this chapter must:

(a) Report to the department the number of owner-occupied residential real properties for which the beneficiary has issued a notice of default during the previous quarter; ((<del>and</del>))

(b) Remit the amount required under subsection (2) of this section; and

(c) Report and update beneficiary contact information for the person and work group responsible for the beneficiary's compliance with the requirements of the foreclosure fairness act created in this chapter.

(2) For each owner-occupied residential real property for which a notice of default has been issued, the beneficiary issuing the notice of default, or directing that a trustee or authorized agent issue the notice of default, shall remit two hundred fifty dollars to the department to be deposited, as provided under RCW 61.24.172, into the foreclosure fairness account. The two hundred fifty dollar payment is required per property and not per notice of default. The beneficiary shall remit the total amount required in a lump sum each quarter.

(3) Reporting and payments under subsections (1) and (2) of this section are due within forty-five days of the end of each quarter. (4) No later than thirty days after April 14, 2011, the beneficiaries required to report and remit to the department under this section shall determine the number of owner-occupied residential real properties for which notices of default were issued during the three months prior to April 14, 2011. The beneficiary shall remit to the department a one-time sum of two hundred fifty dollars multiplied by the number of properties. In addition, by July 31, 2011, the beneficiaries required to report and remit to the department under this section shall remit to the department another one-time sum of two hundred fifty dollars multiplied by the number of owner-occupied residential real properties for which notices of default were issued from April 14, 2011, through June 30, 2011. The department shall deposit the funds into the foreclosure fairness account as provided under RCW 61.24.172.

(((4))) (5) This section does not apply to any beneficiary or loan servicer that is a federally insured depository institution, as defined in 12 U.S.C. Sec. 461(b)(1)(A), and that certifies under penalty of perjury that it has issued, or has directed a trustee or authorized agent to issue, fewer than two hundred fifty notices of default in the preceding year.

(((5))) (6) This section does not apply to association beneficiaries subject to chapter 64.32, 64.34, or 64.38 RCW.

Sec. 9. RCW 61.24.030 and 2011 c 58 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

It shall be requisite to a trustee's sale:

(1) That the deed of trust contains a power of sale;

(2) That the deed of trust contains a statement that the real property conveyed is not used principally for agricultural purposes; provided, if the statement is false on the date the deed of trust was granted or amended to include that statement, and false on the date of the trustee's sale, then the deed of trust must be foreclosed judicially. Real property is used for agricultural purposes if it is used in an operation that produces crops, livestock, or aquatic goods;

(3) That a default has occurred in the obligation secured or a covenant of the grantor, which by the terms of the deed of trust makes operative the power to sell;

(4) That no action commenced by the beneficiary of the deed of trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of an obligation secured by the deed of trust in any court by reason of the grantor's default on the obligation secured: PROVIDED, That (a) the seeking of the appointment of a receiver shall not constitute an action for purposes of this chapter; and (b) if a receiver is appointed, the grantor shall be entitled to any rents or profits derived from property subject to a homestead as defined in RCW 6.13.010. If the deed of trust was granted to secure a commercial loan, this subsection shall not apply to actions brought to enforce any other lien or security interest granted to secure the obligation secured by the deed of trust being foreclosed;

(5) That the deed of trust has been recorded in each county in which the land or some part thereof is situated;

(6) That prior to the date of the notice of trustee's sale and continuing thereafter through the date of the trustee's sale, the trustee must maintain a street address in this state where personal service of process may be made, and the trustee must maintain a physical presence and have telephone service at such address;

(7)(a) That, for residential real property, before the notice of trustee's sale is recorded, transmitted, or served, the trustee shall have proof that the beneficiary is the owner of any promissory note or other obligation secured by the deed of trust. A declaration by the beneficiary made under the penalty of perjury stating that the beneficiary is the actual holder of the promissory note or other obligation secured by the deed of trust shall be sufficient proof as required under this subsection.

(b) Unless the trustee has violated his or her duty under RCW 61.24.010(4), the trustee is entitled to rely on the beneficiary's declaration as evidence of proof required under this subsection.

(c) This subsection (7) does not apply to association beneficiaries subject to chapter 64.32, 64.34, or 64.38 RCW;

(8) That at least thirty days before notice of sale shall be recorded, transmitted or served, written notice of default shall be transmitted by the beneficiary or trustee to the borrower and grantor at their last known addresses by both first-class and either registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, and the beneficiary or trustee shall cause to be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises, a copy of the notice, or personally served on the borrower and grantor. This notice shall contain the following information:

(a) A description of the property which is then subject to the deed of trust;

(b) A statement identifying each county in which the deed of trust is recorded and the document number given to the deed of trust upon recording by each county auditor or recording officer;

(c) A statement that the beneficiary has declared the borrower or grantor to be in default, and a concise statement of the default alleged;

(d) An itemized account of the amount or amounts in arrears if the default alleged is failure to make payments;

(e) An itemized account of all other specific charges, costs, or fees that the borrower, grantor, or any guarantor is or may be obliged to pay to reinstate the deed of trust before the recording of the notice of sale;

(f) A statement showing the total of (d) and (e) of this subsection, designated clearly and conspicuously as the amount necessary to reinstate the note and deed of trust before the recording of the notice of sale;

(g) A statement that failure to cure the alleged default within thirty days of the date of mailing of the notice, or if personally served, within thirty days of the date of personal service thereof, may lead to recordation, transmittal, and publication of a notice of sale, and that the property described in (a) of this subsection may be sold at public auction at a date no less than one hundred twenty days in the future, or no less than one hundred fifty days in the future if the borrower received a letter under RCW 61.24.031;

(h) A statement that the effect of the recordation, transmittal, and publication of a notice of sale will be to (i) increase the costs and fees and (ii) publicize the default and advertise the grantor's property for sale;

(i) A statement that the effect of the sale of the grantor's property by the trustee will be to deprive the grantor of all their interest in the property described in (a) of this subsection;

(j) A statement that the borrower, grantor, and any guarantor has recourse to the courts pursuant to RCW 61.24.130 to contest the alleged default on any proper ground;

(k) In the event the property secured by the deed of trust is owner-occupied residential real property, a statement, prominently set out at the beginning of the notice, which shall state as follows:

(("You should take care to protect your interest in your home. This notice of default (your failure to pay) is the first step in a process that could result in you losing your home. You should carefully review your options. For example: Can you pay and stop the foreclosure process? Do -you dispute the failure to pav? Can you sell your property to preserve your equity? Are you able to refinance this loan or obligation with a new loan or obligation from another lender with payments, terms, and fees that affordable? more are Do you qualify for any government or private homeowner assistance programs? -Do you know if filing for bankruptcy is an option? What are the and cons of doing <u>so?</u> pros Do not ignore this notice; because if you do nothing, you could lose your home at a foreclosure sale. (No foreclosure sale can be held any sooner than ninety days after a notice of sale is issued and a notice of sale cannot be issued until thirty days after this notice.) Also, if you do nothing to pay what you owe, be careful of people who claim they can help you. There are many individuals and businesses that watch for the notices of sale in order to unfairly profit as a result of borrowers' distress. You may feel you need help understanding what to do. There are a number of professional resources available, including home loan counselors and attorneys, who may assist you. Many legal services are lower-cost or even free, depending on your ability to pay. If you desire legal help in understanding your options or handling this default, you may obtain a referral (at no charge) by contacting the county bar association in the county where your home is located. These legal referral services also provide information about lower-cost or free legal services for those who qualify. You may contact the Department of Financial Institutions or the statewide civil legal aid hotline for possible assistance or referrals"))

# <u>"THIS NOTICE IS ONE STEP IN A PROCESS THAT COULD</u> <u>RESULT IN YOUR</u> <u>LOSING YOUR HOME.</u>

You may be eligible for mediation in front of a neutral third party to save vour home. help CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you might benefit. Mediation MUST be requested between the time you receive the Notice of Default and no later than twenty days after the Notice of Trustee Sale is recorded. DO NOT DELAY. If you do nothing, a notice of sale may be issued as soon as 30 days from the date of this notice of default. The notice of sale will provide a minimum of 120 days' notice of the date of the actual foreclosure sale. BE CAREFUL of people who claim they can help you. There are many individuals and businesses that prey upon borrowers in distress. **REFER TO THE CONTACTS BELOW** for sources of assistance.

#### SEEKING ASSISTANCE

Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following:

The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission

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The beneficiary or trustee shall obtain the toll-free numbers and web site information from the department for inclusion in the notice; and

(1) In the event the property secured by the deed of trust is residential real property, the name and address of the owner of any promissory notes or other obligations secured by the deed of trust and the name, address, and telephone number of a party acting as a servicer of the obligations secured by the deed of trust; and

(9) That, for owner-occupied residential real property, before the notice of the trustee's sale is recorded, transmitted, or served, the beneficiary has complied with RCW 61.24.031 and, if applicable, RCW 61.24.163.

**Sec. 10.** RCW 61.24.040 and 2009 c 292 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:

A deed of trust foreclosed under this chapter shall be foreclosed as follows:

(1) At least ninety days before the sale, <u>or if a letter under RCW</u> <u>61.24.031 is required, at least one hundred twenty days before the sale</u>, the trustee shall:

(a) Record a notice in the form described in (f) of this subsection in the office of the auditor in each county in which the deed of trust is recorded;

(b) To the extent the trustee elects to foreclose its lien or interest, or the beneficiary elects to preserve its right to seek a deficiency judgment against a borrower or grantor under RCW 61.24.100(3)(a), and if their addresses are stated in a recorded instrument evidencing their interest, lien, or claim of lien, or an amendment thereto, or are otherwise known to the trustee, cause a copy of the notice of sale described in (f) of this subsection to be transmitted by both first-class and either certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the following persons or their legal representatives, if any, at such address:

(i) The borrower and grantor;

(ii) The beneficiary of any deed of trust or mortgagee of any mortgage, or any person who has a lien or claim of lien against the property, that was recorded subsequent to the recordation of the deed of trust being foreclosed and before the recordation of the notice of sale;

(iii) The vendee in any real estate contract, the lessee in any lease, or the holder of any conveyances of any interest or estate in any portion or all of the property described in such notice, if that contract, lease, or conveyance of such interest or estate, or a memorandum or other notice thereof, was recorded after the recordation of the deed of trust being foreclosed and before the recordation of the notice of sale; (iv) The last holder of record of any other lien against or interest in the property that is subject to a subordination to the deed of trust being foreclosed that was recorded before the recordation of the notice of sale;

(v) The last holder of record of the lien of any judgment subordinate to the deed of trust being foreclosed; and

(vi) The occupants of property consisting solely of a singlefamily residence, or a condominium, cooperative, or other dwelling unit in a multiplex or other building containing fewer than five residential units, whether or not the occupant's rental agreement is recorded, which notice may be a single notice addressed to "occupants" for each unit known to the trustee or beneficiary;

(c) Cause a copy of the notice of sale described in (f) of this subsection to be transmitted by both first-class and either certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the plaintiff or the plaintiff's attorney of record, in any court action to foreclose a lien or other encumbrance on all or any part of the property, provided a court action is pending and a lis pendens in connection therewith is recorded in the office of the auditor of any county in which all or part of the property is located on the date the notice is recorded;

(d) Cause a copy of the notice of sale described in (f) of this subsection to be transmitted by both first-class and either certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to any person who has recorded a request for notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.045, at the address specified in such person's most recently recorded request for notice;

(e) Cause a copy of the notice of sale described in (f) of this subsection to be posted in a conspicuous place on the property, or in lieu of posting, cause a copy of said notice to be served upon any occupant of the property;

(f) The notice shall be in substantially the following form:

# NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

### I.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Trustee will on the .... day of ....., at the hour of .... o'clock .... M. at ..... [street address and location if inside a building] in the City of ....., State of Washington, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County(ies) of ....., State of Washington, to-wit:

[If any personal property is to be included in the trustee's sale, include a description that reasonably identifies such personal property]

which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated ....., ..., recorded ....., under Auditor's File No. ..., records of ...... County, Washington, from ....., as Grantor, to ....., as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of ....., as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned by ....., under an Assignment recorded under Auditor's File No. .... [Include recording information for all counties if the Deed of Trust is recorded in more than one county.]

# II.

No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust.

[If there is another action pending to foreclose other security for all or part of the same debt, qualify the statement and identify the action.]

III.

The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows:

[If default is for other than payment of money, set forth the particulars]

Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears:

IV.

The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: Principal  $\dots$ , together with interest as provided in the note or other instrument secured from the ..., day of ..., ..., and such other costs and fees as are due under the note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute.

V.

The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. The sale will be made without warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances on the .... day of ....., ... The default(s) referred to in paragraph III must be cured by the .... day of ....., ... (11 days before the sale date), to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time on or before the .... day of ....., (11 days before the sale date), the default(s) as set forth in paragraph III is/are cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. The sale may be terminated any time after the .... day of ....., ... (11 days before the sale date), and before the sale by the Borrower, Grantor, any Guarantor, or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees, and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults.

#### VI.

A written notice of default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following addresses: paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting.

VII.

The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale.

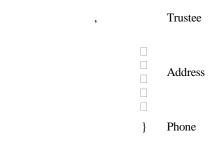
VIII.

The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the abovedescribed property.

IX.

Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale.

[Add Part X to this notice if applicable under RCW 61.24.040(9)]



[Acknowledgment]

(g) If the borrower received a letter under RCW 61.24.031, the notice specified in subsection (1)(f) of this section shall also include the following additional language:

# **"THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE** FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME.

You have only 20 DAYS from the recording date on this notice to pursue mediation.

DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help.

# SEEKING ASSISTANCE

Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following:

The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance

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by both first-class and certified mail on the .... day of ....., proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served on the .... day of ...., ..., with said written notice of default or the written notice of default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property described in

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Commission
Telephone: Web site:
The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development
Telephone: Web site:
The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to
other housing counselors and attorneys
Telephone: Web site:
The beneficiary or trustee shall obtain the toll-free numbers and
web site information from the department for inclusion in the notice.

(2) In addition to providing the borrower and grantor the notice of sale described in subsection (1)(f) of this section, the trustee shall include with the copy of the notice which is mailed to the grantor, a statement to the grantor in substantially the following form:

#### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington,

#### Chapter 61.24 RCW

The attached Notice of Trustee's Sale is a consequence of default(s) in the obligation to ....., the Beneficiary of your Deed of Trust and owner of the obligation secured thereby. Unless the default(s) is/are cured, your property will be sold at auction on the .... day of ....., ...

To cure the default(s), you must bring the payments current, cure any other defaults, and pay accrued late charges and other costs, advances, and attorneys' fees as set forth below by the .... day of ....., ... [11 days before the sale date]. To date, these arrears and costs are as follows:

		Estimated amount	
	Currently due	that will be due	
	to reinstate	to reinstate	
	on	on	
		(11 days before	
		the date set	
		for sale)	
Delinquent payments			
from ,			
, in the			
amount of			
\$/mo.:	\$	\$	
Late charges in			
the total			

amount of:	\$ \$
	Estimated
	Amounts
Attorneys' fees:	\$ \$
Trustee's fee:	\$ \$
Trustee's expenses:	
(Itemization)	
Title report	\$ \$
Recording fees	\$ \$
Service/Posting	
of Notices	\$ \$
Postage/Copying	
expense	\$ \$
Publication	\$ \$
Telephone	\$
charges	\$
Inspection fees	\$ \$
	\$ \$
	\$ \$
TOTALS	\$ \$

To pay off the entire obligation secured by your Deed of Trust as of the ..... day of ..... you must pay a total of \$.... in principal, \$.... in interest, plus other costs and advances estimated to date in the amount of \$..... From and after the date of this notice you must submit a written request to the Trustee to obtain the total amount to pay off the entire obligation secured by your Deed of Trust as of the payoff date.

As to the defaults which do not involve payment of money to the Beneficiary of your Deed of Trust, you must cure each such default. Listed below are the defaults which do not involve payment of money to the Beneficiary of your Deed of Trust. Opposite each such listed default is a brief description of the action necessary to cure the default and a description of the documentation necessary to show that the default has been cured.

Default Description of Action Required to Cure and

Documentation Necessary to Show Cure

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You may reinstate your Deed of Trust and the obligation secured thereby at any time up to and including the .... day of ..... [11 days before the sale date], by paying the amount set forth or estimated above and by curing any other defaults described above. Of course, as time passes other payments may become due, and any further payments coming due and any additional late charges must be added to your reinstating payment. Any new defaults not involving payment of money that occur after the date of this notice must also be cured in order to effect reinstatement. In addition, because some of the charges can only be estimated at this time, and because the amount necessary to reinstate or to pay off the entire indebtedness may include presently unknown expenditures required to preserve the property or to comply with state or local law, it will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. Tender of payment or performance must be made to: ....., whose address is . . . . . , telephone ( ) . . . . . AFTER THE . . . . DAY OF ....., YOU MAY NOT REINSTATE YOUR DEED OF TRUST BY PAYING THE BACK PAYMENTS AND COSTS AND FEES AND CURING THE OTHER DEFAULTS AS OUTLINED ABOVE. The Trustee will respond to any written request for current payoff or reinstatement amounts within ten days of receipt of your written request. In such a case, you will only be able to stop the sale by paying, before the sale, the total principal balance (\$ . . . . .) plus accrued interest, costs and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the documents and by curing the other defaults as outlined above.

You may contest this default by initiating court action in the Superior Court of the county in which the sale is to be held. In such action, you may raise any legitimate defenses you have to this default. A copy of your Deed of Trust and documents evidencing the obligation secured thereby are enclosed. You may wish to consult a lawyer. Legal action on your part may prevent or restrain the sale, but only if you persuade the court of the merits of your defense. You may contact the Department of Financial Institutions or the statewide civil legal aid hotline for possible assistance or referrals.

The court may grant a restraining order or injunction to restrain a trustee's sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130 upon five days notice to the trustee of the time when, place where, and the judge before whom the application for the restraining order or injunction is to be made. This notice shall include copies of all pleadings and related documents to be given to the judge. Notice and other process may be served on the trustee at:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

# TELEPHONE NUMBER:

If you do not reinstate the secured obligation and your Deed of Trust in the manner set forth above, or if you do not succeed in restraining the sale by court action, your property will be sold. The effect of such sale will be to deprive you and all those who hold by, through or under you of all interest in the property;

(3) In addition, the trustee shall cause a copy of the notice of sale described in subsection (1)(f) of this section (excluding the acknowledgment) to be published in a legal newspaper in each county in which the property or any part thereof is situated, once on or between the thirty-fifth and twenty-eighth day before the date of sale,

and once on or between the fourteenth and seventh day before the date of sale;

(4) On the date and at the time designated in the notice of sale, the trustee or its authorized agent shall sell the property at public auction to the highest bidder. The trustee may sell the property in gross or in parcels as the trustee shall deem most advantageous;

(5) The place of sale shall be at any designated public place within the county where the property is located and if the property is in more than one county, the sale may be in any of the counties where the property is located. The sale shall be on Friday, or if Friday is a legal holiday on the following Monday, and during the hours set by statute for the conduct of sales of real estate at execution;

(6) The trustee has no obligation to, but may, for any cause the trustee deems advantageous, continue the sale for a period or periods not exceeding a total of one hundred twenty days by (a) a public proclamation at the time and place fixed for sale in the notice of sale and if the continuance is beyond the date of sale, by giving notice of the new time and place of the sale by both first class and either certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the persons specified in subsection (1)(b)(i) and (ii) of this section to be deposited in the mail (i) not less than four days before the new date fixed for the sale if the sale is continued for up to seven days; or (ii) not more than three days after the date of the continuance by oral proclamation if the sale is continued for more than seven days, or, alternatively, (b) by giving notice of the time and place of the postponed sale in the manner and to the persons specified in subsection (1)(b), (c), (d), and (e) of this section and publishing a copy of such notice once in the newspaper(s) described in subsection (3) of this section, more than seven days before the date fixed for sale in the notice of sale. No other notice of the postponed sale need be given;

(7) The purchaser shall forthwith pay the price bid and on payment the trustee shall execute to the purchaser its deed; the deed shall recite the facts showing that the sale was conducted in compliance with all of the requirements of this chapter and of the deed of trust, which recital shall be prima facie evidence of such compliance and conclusive evidence thereof in favor of bona fide purchasers and encumbrancers for value, except that these recitals shall not affect the lien or interest of any person entitled to notice under subsection (1) of this section, if the trustee fails to give the required notice to such person. In such case, the lien or interest of such omitted person shall not be affected by the sale and such omitted person shall be treated as if such person was the holder of the same lien or interest and was omitted as a party defendant in a judicial foreclosure proceeding;

(8) The sale as authorized under this chapter shall not take place less than one hundred ninety days from the date of default in any of the obligations secured;

(9) If the trustee elects to foreclose the interest of any occupant or tenant of property comprised solely of a single-family residence, or a condominium, cooperative, or other dwelling unit in a multiplex or other building containing fewer than five residential units, the following notice shall be included as Part X of the Notice of Trustee's Sale:

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#### NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS

The purchaser at the trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060;

(10) Only one copy of all notices required by this chapter need be given to a person who is both the borrower and the grantor. All notices required by this chapter that are given to a general partnership are deemed given to each of its general partners, unless otherwise agreed by the parties.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. Sec. 11. A new section is added to chapter 61.24 RCW to read as follows:

(1) A borrower who has been referred to mediation before the effective date of this section may continue through the mediation process and does not lose his or her right to mediation.

(2) A borrower who has not been referred to mediation as of the effective date of this section may only be referred to mediation after a notice of default has been issued but no later than twenty days from the date a notice of sale is recorded.

(3) A borrower who has not been referred to mediation as of the effective date of this section and who has had a notice of sale recorded may only be referred to mediation if the referral is made before twenty days have passed from the date the notice of sale was recorded.

**Sec. 12.** RCW 61.24.172 and 2011 c 58 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

The foreclosure fairness account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts received under RCW 61.24.174 must be deposited into the account. Only the director of the department of commerce or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. Funding to agencies and organizations under this section must be provided by the department through an interagency agreement or other applicable contract instrument. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures. Expenditures from the account must be used as follows: (1) No less than ((eighty)) seventysix percent must be used for the purposes of providing housing ((counselors for)) counseling activities to benefit borrowers, except that this amount may be less than ((eighty)) seventy-six percent only if necessary to meet the funding level specified for the office of the attorney general under subsection (2) of this section and the department under subsection (4) of this section; (2) up to six percent, or six hundred fifty-five thousand dollars per biennium, whichever amount is greater, to the office of the attorney general to be used by the consumer protection division to enforce this chapter; (3) up to two percent to the office of civil legal aid to be used for the purpose of contracting with qualified legal aid programs for legal representation of homeowners in matters relating to foreclosure. Funds provided under this subsection (3) must be used to supplement, not supplant, other federal, state, and local funds; (4) up to ((nine)) thirteen percent, or ((four hundred fifty-one)) five hundred ninety thousand dollars per biennium, whichever amount is greater, to the department to be used for implementation and operation of the foreclosure fairness act; and (5) up to three percent to the department of financial institutions to conduct homeowner prepurchase and postpurchase outreach and education programs as defined in RCW 43.320.150.

The department shall enter into interagency agreements to contract with the Washington state housing finance commission and other appropriate entities to implement the foreclosure fairness act.

**Sec. 13.** RCW 61.24.010 and 2009 c 292 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The trustee of a deed of trust under this chapter shall be:

(a) Any domestic corporation <u>or domestic limited liability</u> <u>corporation</u> incorporated under Title 23B, <u>25</u>, 30, 31, 32, or 33 RCW of which at least one officer is a Washington resident; or

(b) Any title insurance company authorized to insure title to real property under the laws of this state, or any title insurance agent licensed under chapter 48.17 RCW; or

(c) Any attorney who is an active member of the Washington state bar association at the time the attorney is named trustee; or

(d) Any professional corporation incorporated under chapter 18.100 RCW, any professional limited liability company formed under chapter 25.15 RCW, any general partnership, including limited liability partnerships, formed under chapter 25.04 RCW, all of whose shareholders, members, or partners, respectively, are either licensed attorneys or entities, provided all of the owners of those entities are licensed attorneys, or any domestic corporation wholly owned by any of the entities under this subsection (1)(d); or

(e) Any agency or instrumentality of the United States government; or

(f) Any national bank, savings bank, or savings and loan association chartered under the laws of the United States.

(2) The trustee may resign at its own election or be replaced by the beneficiary. The trustee shall give prompt written notice of its resignation to the beneficiary. The resignation of the trustee shall become effective upon the recording of the notice of resignation in each county in which the deed of trust is recorded. If a trustee is not appointed in the deed of trust, or upon the resignation, incapacity, disability, absence, or death of the trustee, or the election of the beneficiary to replace the trustee, the beneficiary shall appoint a trustee or a successor trustee. Only upon recording the appointment of a successor trustee in each county in which the deed of trust is recorded, the successor trustee shall be vested with all powers of an original trustee.

(3) The trustee or successor trustee shall have no fiduciary duty or fiduciary obligation to the grantor or other persons having an interest in the property subject to the deed of trust.

(4) The trustee or successor trustee has a duty of good faith to the borrower, beneficiary, and grantor.

**Sec. 14.** RCW 61.24.050 and 1998 c 295 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:

((When delivered)) (1) Upon physical delivery of the trustee's deed to the purchaser, or a different grantee as designated by the purchaser following the trustee's sale, the trustee's deed shall convey all of the right, title, and interest in the real and personal property sold at the trustee's sale which the grantor had or had the power to convey at the time of the execution of the deed of trust, and such as the grantor may have thereafter acquired. Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, if the trustee accepts a bid, then the trustee's deed is recorded within fifteen days thereafter. After a trustee's sale, no person shall have any right, by statute or otherwise, to redeem the property sold at the trustee's sale.

(2)(a) Up to the eleventh day following the trustee's sale, the trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent for the beneficiary may declare the trustee's sale and trustee's deed void for the following reasons: (i) The trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent for the beneficiary assert that there was an error with the trustee foreclosure sale process including, but not limited to, an erroneous opening bid amount made by or on behalf of the foreclosing beneficiary at the trustee's sale; (ii) The borrower and beneficiary, or authorized agent for the beneficiary, had agreed prior to the trustee's sale to a loan modification agreement, forbearance plan, shared appreciation mortgage, or other loss mitigation agreement to postpone or the discontinue trustee's sale; or (iii) The beneficiary or authorized agent for the beneficiary had accepted funds that fully reinstated or satisfied the loan even if the beneficiary or authorized agent for the beneficiary had no legal duty do so. to

(b) This subsection does not impose a duty upon the trustee any different than the obligations set forth under RCW 61.24.010 (3) and (4).

(3) The trustee must refund the bid amount to the purchaser no later than the third day following the postmarked mailing of the rescission notice described under subsection (4) of this section.
 (4) No later than fifteen days following the voided trustee's sale

date, the trustee shall send a notice in substantially the following form by first-class mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, to all parties entitled to notice under RCW 61.24.040(1) (b) through (e):

NOTICE OF RESCISSION OF TRUSTEE'S SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the trustee's sale that occurred on (trustee's sale date) is rescinded and declared void because (insert the applicable reason(s) permitted under RCW 61.24.050(2)(a)).

The trustee's sale occurred pursuant to that certain Notice of Trustee's Sale dated ..., ..., recorded ..., ..., under Auditor's File No..., records of .... County, Washington, and that certain Deed of Trust dated ..., ..., recorded ...., under Auditor's File No...., records of .... County, Washington, from ...., as Grantor, to ...., as ...., as original Beneficiary, concerning the following described property, situated in the County(ies) of ...., State of Washington, to wit:

(Legal description) Commonly known as (common property address) (5) If the reason for the rescission stems from subsection (2)(a) (i) or (ii) of this section, the trustee may set a new sale date not less than forty-five days following the mailing of the notice of rescission of trustee's sale. The trustee shall: (a) Comply with the requirements of RCW 61.24.040(1) (a) through (f) at least thirty days before the new sale date; and (b) Cause a copy of the notice of trustee's sale as provided in RCW 61.24.040(1)(f) to be published in a legal newspaper in each county in which the property or any part of the property is situated, once between the thirty-fifth and twenty-eighth day before the sale and once between the fourteenth and seventh day before the sale. NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. Section 12 of this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "Relating to" strike the remainder of the title and insert "assisting homeowners in crisis by providing alternatives, remedies, and assistance; amending RCW 18.86.120, 4.16.040, 61.24.031, 61.24.160, 61.24.163, 61.24.169, 61.24.174, 61.24.030, 61.24.040, 61.24.172, 61.24.010, and 61.24.050; adding a new section to chapter 64.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 61.24 RCW; and declaring an emergency."

and the same is herewith transmitted. Brad Hendrickson, Deputy, Secretary

### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2614 and advanced the bill as amended by the Senate to final passage.

# FINAL PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL AS SENATE AMENDED

Representatives Kenney and Rodne spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2614, as amended by the Senate.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2614, as amended by the Senate, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 97; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Blake, Buys, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harris, Hasegawa, Hinkle, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Rodne, Ross, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stanford, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Excused: Representative Nealey.

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2614, as amended by the Senate, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 5, 2012

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate insists on its position in the House amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6150 and asks the House for a Conference thereon. The President has appointed the following members as Conferees: Senators Eide, Haugen and King,

and the same is herewith transmitted. Brad Hendrickson, Deputy Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House granted the Senate's request for a Conference on ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6150.

The Speaker appointed the following members as Conferees: Representative Armstrong, Clibborn and Liias.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 5, 2012

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate insists on its position in the House amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6455 and asks the House for a Conference thereon. The President has appointed the following members as Conferees: Senators Eide, Haugen and King, and the same is herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy Secretary

#### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House granted the Senate's request for a Conference on ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6455. The Speaker appointed the following members as Conferees: Representative Armstrong, Clibborn and Liias.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

March 5, 2012

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate insists on its position in the House amendment to ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6582 and asks the House for a Conference thereon. The President has appointed the following members as Conferees: Senators Eide, Haugen and King, and the same is herewith transmitted.

Brad Hendrickson, Deputy Secretary

### SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL

There being no objection, the House granted the Senate's request for a Conference on ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6582. The Speaker appointed the following members as Conferees: Representative Armstrong, Clibborn Liias.

There being no objection, the House reverted to the sixth order of business.

# SECOND READING

HOUSE BILL NO. 2565, by Representatives Kirby, Harris, Dammeier, Walsh, Orwall, Kelley, Moscoso and Zeiger

Providing for the operation of roll your own cigarette machines at retail establishments. Revised for 2nd Substitute: Concerning persons who operate a roll-your-own cigarette machine at retail establishments.

The bill was read the second time.

There being no objection, Second Substitute House Bill No. 2565 was substituted for House Bill No. 2565 and the second substitute bill was placed on the second reading calendar.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2565 was read the second time.

Representative Condotta moved the adoption of amendment (1327).

On page 4, line 8, after "<u>wholesalers.</u>" insert "<u>A credit against the</u> tax due shall be allowed for any cigarette tube or cigarette paper that does not properly fill or is otherwise damaged by the use of the commercial cigarette-making machine."

Representative Condotta spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Hunter spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1327) was not adopted.

Representative Condotta moved the adoption of amendment (1328).

On page 11, after line 32, insert the following:

"(4) In addition to the compensation allowed under subsections (2) and (3) of this section, retailers purchasing stamps for roll-yourown cigarettes are allowed additional compensation to offset the cost of the federal excise tax imposed on loose roll-your-own tobacco. This offset amount equals 6.1 cents per cigarette."

Representative Condotta spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Hunter spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1328) was not adopted.

Representative Condotta moved the adoption of amendment (1325).

On page 12, line 13, after "<u>of</u>" strike "<u>one hundred</u>" and insert "<u>ninety-three</u>"

Representatives Condotta and Hunter spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1325) was adopted.

Representative Condotta moved the adoption of amendment (1326).

On page 12, after line 15, insert the following:

"<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 82.24 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Within ninety days of the closure of a retail establishment operating a commercial cigarette-making machine, the board must pay the retailer, at a minimum:

(a) The cost to the retailer of each commercial cigarette-making machine purchased for or operated by the retailer;

(b) The cost to the retailer of buying out each commercial lease, including penalties and fees, in which the retailer operated commercial cigarette-making machines;

(c) The cost to the retailer of any parts, maintenance service, and repair costs associated with each commercial cigarette-making machine;

(d) The cost to the retailer of unused, undamaged, and unsold inventory, including tobacco, cigarette papers, cigarette tubes, supplies, or accessories used in the operation of a commercial cigarette-making machine; and

(e) Monetary damages in the amount of three times the retailer's gross revenue for the twelve months preceding closure.

(2) A retailer must have been in business on or before March 31, 2012, to qualify for compensation under subsection 1 of this section."

Renumber the remaining section consecutively, correct any internal references accordingly, and correct the title.

Representative Condotta spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Hunter spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1326) was not adopted.

Representative Taylor moved the adoption of amendment (1329).

On page 12, after line 15, insert the following:

"<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec 13. A new section is added to chapter 82.24 RCW to read as follows:

The provisions of this act shall apply to commercial cigarettemaking machines located in Indian country."

Renumber the remaining section consecutively. Correct the title

Representative Taylor spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representative Hunter spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment (1329) was not adopted.

Representative Ahern moved the adoption of amendment (1337).

On page 12, after line 15, insert the following:

"<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 82.24 RCW to read as follows:

(1) "Local health jurisdiction" or "jurisdiction" means a county board of health organized under chapter 70.05 RCW, a health district organized under chapter 70.46 RCW, or a combined city and county health department organized under chapter 70.08 RCW.

(2) All increased revenues that are directly attributable to this act must be apportioned between local health jurisdictions as provided in subsection (3) of this section.

(3) The apportionment factor for each jurisdiction is the population of the jurisdiction's county as a percentage of the statewide population for the prior calendar year. For two or more counties that have jointly created a health district under chapter 70.46 RCW, the combined population of all counties comprising the health district must be used."

Renumber the remaining section consecutively, correct any internal references accordingly, and correct the title.

Representatives Klippert and Alexander spoke in favor of the adoption of the amendment.

Representatives Hunter and Cody spoke against the adoption of the amendment.

An electronic roll call was requested.

#### ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll on the adoption of amendment (1337) and the amendment was not adopted by the following vote: Yeas, 46; Nays, 51; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Ahern, Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Armstrong, Asay, Bailey, Buys, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, Dahlquist, Dammeier, DeBolt, Fagan, Haler, Hargrove, Harris, Hinkle, Hope, Hurst, Johnson, Kelley, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, Moeller, Orcutt, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Rivers, Rodne, Ross, Schmick, Seaquist, Shea, Short, Smith, Stanford, Taylor, Walsh, Warnick, Wilcox and Zeiger.

Voting nay: Representatives Appleton, Billig, Blake, Carlyle, Clibborn, Cody, Darneille, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Hansen, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Jinkins, Kagi, Kenney, Kirby, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, Miloscia, Morris, Moscoso, Ormsby, Orwall, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Roberts, Ryu, Santos, Sells, Springer, Sullivan, Takko, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wylie and Mr. Speaker. Excused: Representative Nealey.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Representatives Kirby and Hurst spoke in favor of the passage of the bill.

Representative Condotta spoke against the passage of the bill.

# POINT OF PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Representative Shea: "Thank you Mr. Speaker, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2565 increases revenue to the State of Washington, Mr. Speaker how many votes does this bill require for final passage? Thank you."

# SPEAKER'S RULING

Mr. Speaker: "Second Substitute House Bill No. 2565 requires retailers providing roll-your-own cigarette machines to collect the state cigarette tax. The question presented is whether the bill is a clarification and enforcement of existing law, requiring a majority vote, or an imposition of a new tax as defined by RCW 43.135.034, requiring a supermajority of two-thirds. The Speaker notes that under current state law "roll-your-own" is included in the definition of cigarette (see RCW 70.157.010(d)). The Speaker finds and rules that the bill before us simply establishes a tax enforcement and regulatory system for roll-your-own cigarettes that are already subject to the tax, and that final passage requires a majority vote of fifty."

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2565.

# **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2565, and the bill passed the House by the following vote: Yeas, 67; Nays, 30; Absent, 0; Excused, 1.

Voting yea: Representatives Alexander, Asay, Bailey, Billig, Carlyle, Clibborn, Cody, Dahlquist, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Fagan, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hansen, Harris, Hasegawa, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kirby, Klippert, Ladenburg, Liias, Lytton, Maxwell, McCoy, Miloscia, Moeller, Moscoso, Ormsby, Orwall, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Pollet, Probst, Reykdal, Rivers, Roberts, Ross, Ryu, Seaquist, Sells, Smith, Springer, Sullivan, Tharinger, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Walsh, Wilcox, Wylie, Zeiger and Mr. Speaker.

Voting nay: Representatives Ahern, Anderson, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Blake, Buys, Chandler, Condotta, Crouse, Goodman, Hargrove, Hinkle, Kretz, Kristiansen, McCune, Morris, Orcutt, Overstreet, Parker, Pearson, Rodne, Santos, Schmick, Shea, Short, Stanford, Takko, Taylor and Warnick.

Excused: Representative Nealey.

ENGROSSED SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 2565, having received the necessary constitutional majority, was declared passed.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the eleventh order of business.

# COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) announced the following committee appointments: Representative Alexander, Fagan, Pedersen and Sullivan were appointed to the Joint Select Committee on Article 9 Legislation established by House Concurrent Resolution No. 4410.

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 1:30 p.m., March 7, 2012, the 59th Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

BARBARA BAKER, Chief Clerk

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