#### SIXTY THIRD LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

# SEVENTY EIGHTH DAY

House Chamber, Olympia, Monday, April 1, 2013

The House was called to order at 9:55 a.m. by the Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding).

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

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

# REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

March 28, 2013

HB 2018

Prime Sponsor, Representative Hunter: Regarding additional contribution rates for employers of the Washington state retirement systems. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Representatives Hunter, Chair; Ormsby, Vice Chair; Alexander, Ranking Minority Member; Chandler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Wilcox, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Buys; Carlyle; Cody; Dahlquist; Dunshee; Fagan; Green; Haigh; Haler; Harris; Hudgins; Hunt; Jinkins; Kagi; Maxwell; Morrell; Pedersen; Pettigrew; Pike; Ross; Schmick; Seaquist; Springer; Sullivan and Taylor.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2013

SB 5052

Prime Sponsor, Senator Ericksen: Increasing the number of superior court judges in Whatcom county. Reported by Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Hudgins, Chair; Buys; Chandler; Dunshee; Hunt; Pedersen and Springer.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative Taylor.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2013

SB 5069

Prime Sponsor, Senator Schoesler: Increasing the number of superior court judges in Benton and Franklin counties jointly. Reported by Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Hudgins, Chair; Buys; Chandler; Dunshee; Hunt; Pedersen and Springer.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative Taylor.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

SB 5092

Prime Sponsor, Senator Benton: Providing an exemption from continuing competency requirements for registered nurses who seek advanced nursing degrees. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 18.79.110 and 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 411 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The commission shall keep a record of all of its proceedings and make such reports to the governor as may be required. The commission shall define by rules what constitutes specialized and advanced levels of nursing practice as recognized by the medical and nursing profession. The commission may adopt rules or issue advisory opinions in response to questions put to it by professional health associations, nursing practitioners, and consumers in this state concerning the authority of various categories of nursing practitioners to perform particular acts.
- (2) The commission shall approve curricula and shall establish criteria for minimum standards for schools preparing persons for licensing as registered nurses, advanced registered nurse practitioners, and licensed practical nurses under this chapter. The commission shall approve such schools of nursing as meet the requirements of this chapter and the commission, and the commission shall approve establishment of basic nursing education programs and shall establish criteria as to the need for and the size of a program and the type of program and the geographical location. The commission shall establish criteria for proof of reasonable currency of knowledge and skill as a basis for safe practice after three years' inactive or lapsed status. The commission shall establish criteria for licensing by The commission shall determine examination endorsement. requirements for applicants for licensing as registered nurses, advanced registered nurse practitioners, and licensed practical nurses under this chapter, and shall certify to the secretary for licensing duly qualified applicants.
- (3) The commission shall adopt rules on continuing competency. The rules must include exemptions from the continuing competency requirements for registered nurses seeking advanced nursing degrees. Nothing in this subsection prohibits the commission from providing additional exemptions for any person credentialed under this chapter who is enrolled in an advanced education program.
- (4) The commission shall adopt such rules under chapter 34.05 RCW as are necessary to fulfill the purposes of this chapter.
- (5) The commission is the successor in interest of the board of nursing and the board of practical nursing. All contracts, undertakings, agreements, rules, regulations, decisions, orders, and policies of the former board of nursing or the board of practical

nursing continue in full force and effect under the commission until the commission amends or rescinds those rules, regulations, decisions, orders, or policies.

- (6) The members of the commission are immune from suit in an action, civil or criminal, based on its disciplinary proceedings or other official acts performed in good faith as members of the commission.
- (7) Whenever the workload of the commission requires, the commission may request that the secretary appoint pro tempore members of the commission. When serving, pro tempore members of the commission have all of the powers, duties, and immunities, and are entitled to all of the emoluments, including travel expenses, of regularly appointed members of the commission."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Hope, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Morrell; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

ESB 5099

Prime Sponsor, Senator Rivers: Concerning fuel usage of publicly owned vehicles, vessels, and construction equipment. Reported by Committee on Environment

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "**Sec. 1.** RCW 43.19.648 and 2012 c 171 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Effective June 1, 2015, all state agencies, to the extent determined practicable by the rules adopted by the department of commerce pursuant to RCW 43.325.080, are required to satisfy one hundred percent of their fuel usage for operating publicly owned vessels, vehicles, and construction equipment from electricity or biofuel. Compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, or propane may be substituted for electricity or biofuel if the department of commerce determines that electricity and biofuel are not reasonably available.
- (2)(a) Effective June 1, 2018, all local government subdivisions of the state, to the extent determined practicable by the rules adopted by the department of commerce pursuant to RCW 43.325.080, are required to satisfy one hundred percent of their fuel usage for operating publicly owned vessels, vehicles, and construction equipment from electricity or biofuel. The department of commerce shall convene an advisory committee of representatives of local government subdivisions, representatives from organizations representing each local government subdivision, and either (i) an electric utility or (ii) a natural gas utility, or both, to work with the department to develop the rules. The department may invite additional stakeholders to participate in the advisory committee as needed and determined by the department.
- (b) The following are exempt from this requirement: (i) Transit agencies using compressed natural gas on June 1, 2018((, are exempt from this requirement)), and (ii) engine retrofits that would void warranties. Nothing in this section is intended to require the replacement of equipment before the end of its useful life. Compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, or propane may be substituted for electricity or biofuel if the department of commerce determines that electricity and biofuel are not reasonably available. (c)(i) Rules adopted pursuant to RCW 43.325.080 must provide the authority for local government subdivisions to elect to exempt police,

- fire, and other emergency response vehicles, including utility vehicles frequently used for emergency response, from the fuel usage requirement in (a) of this subsection.
- (ii) Prior to executing its authority under (c)(i) of this subsection, a local government subdivision must provide notice to the department of commerce of the exemption. The notice must include the rationale for the exemption and an explanation of how the exemption is consistent with rules adopted by the department of commerce.
- (d) Before June 1, 2018, local government subdivisions purchasing vessels, vehicles, and construction equipment capable of using biodiesel must request warranty protection for the highest level of biodiesel the vessel, vehicle, or construction equipment is capable of using, up to one hundred percent biodiesel, as long as the costs are reasonably equal to a vessel, vehicle, or construction equipment that is not warranted to use up to one hundred percent biodiesel.
- (3) In order to phase in this transition for the state, all state agencies, to the extent determined practicable by the department of commerce by rules adopted pursuant to RCW 43.325.080, are required to achieve forty percent fuel usage for operating publicly owned vessels, vehicles, and construction equipment from electricity or biofuel by June 1, 2013. Compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, or propane may be substituted for electricity or biofuel if the department of commerce determines that electricity and biofuel are not reasonably available. The department of enterprise services, in consultation with the department of commerce, shall report to the governor and the legislature by December 1, 2013, on what percentage of the state's fuel usage is from electricity or biofuel.
- (4) Except for cars owned or operated by the Washington state patrol, when tires on vehicles in the state's motor vehicle fleet are replaced, they must be replaced with tires that have the same or better rolling resistance as the original tires.
- (5) By December 31, 2015, the state must, to the extent practicable, install electrical outlets capable of charging electric vehicles in each of the state's fleet parking and maintenance facilities.
- (6) The department of transportation's obligations under subsection (3) of this section are subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for the specific purpose identified in subsection (3) of this section.
- (7) The department of transportation's obligations under subsection (5) of this section are subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for the specific purpose identified in subsection (5) of this section unless the department receives federal or private funds for the specific purpose identified in subsection (5) of this section.
- (8) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- (a) "Battery charging station" means an electrical component assembly or cluster of component assemblies designed specifically to charge batteries within electric vehicles, which meet or exceed any standards, codes, and regulations set forth by chapter 19.28 RCW and consistent with rules adopted under RCW 19.27.540.
- (b) "Battery exchange station" means a fully automated facility that will enable an electric vehicle with a swappable battery to enter a drive lane and exchange the depleted battery with a fully charged battery through a fully automated process, which meets or exceeds any standards, codes, and regulations set forth by chapter 19.28 RCW and consistent with rules adopted under RCW 19.27.540."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Upthegrove, Chair; McCoy, Vice Chair; Short, Ranking Minority Member; Pike, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Farrell; Fey; Kagi; Liias; Morris; Nealey; Overstreet and Tharinger.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SSB 5148

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Allowing for redistribution of medications under certain conditions. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Department" means the department of health.
- (2) "Drug manufacturer" means a facility licensed by the board of pharmacy under chapter 18.64 RCW that engages in the manufacture of drugs or devices.
- (3) "Drug wholesaler" means a facility licensed by the board of pharmacy under chapter 18.64 RCW that buys drugs or devices for resale and distribution to corporations, individuals, or entities other than consumers.
- (4) "Medical facility" means a hospital, pharmacy, nursing home, boarding home, adult family home, or medical clinic where the prescription drugs are under the control of a practitioner.
- (5) "Person" means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, association, joint venture, government, governmental subdivision or agency, or any other legal or commercial entity.
- (6) "Pharmacist" means a person licensed by the board of pharmacy under chapter 18.64 RCW to practice pharmacy.
- (7) "Pharmacy" means a facility licensed by the board of pharmacy under chapter 18.64 RCW in which the practice of pharmacy is conducted.
  - (8) "Practitioner" has the same meaning as in RCW 69.41.010.
- (9) "Prescribing practitioner" means a person authorized to issue orders or prescriptions for legend drugs as listed in RCW 69.41.030.
- (10) "Prescription drugs" has the same meaning as "legend drugs" as defined in RCW 69.41.010. The term includes cancer drugs and antirejection drugs. The term does not include controlled substances.
- (11) "Supplies" means the supplies necessary to administer prescription drugs that are donated under the prescription drug redistribution program.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** Any practitioner, pharmacist, medical facility, drug manufacturer, or drug wholesaler may donate prescription drugs and supplies to a pharmacy for redistribution without compensation or the expectation of compensation to individuals who meet the prioritization criteria established in section 4 of this act. Donations of prescription drugs and supplies may be made on the premises of a pharmacy that elects to participate in the provisions of this chapter. A pharmacy that receives prescription drugs or supplies may distribute the prescription drugs or supplies to another pharmacy, pharmacist, or prescribing practitioner for use pursuant to the program.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** To be eligible for the immunity in section 7 of this act, a person distributing donated prescription drugs under this chapter must:

- (1) Meet all requirements in section 5 of this act and any applicable rules related to the return or exchange of prescription drugs or supplies adopted by the board of pharmacy;
- (2) Maintain records of any prescription drugs and supplies donated to the pharmacy and subsequently dispensed by the pharmacy; and
  - (3) Identify itself to the public as participating in this chapter.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** Pharmacies, pharmacists, and prescribing practitioners that elect to dispense donated prescription drugs and supplies under this chapter shall give priority to individuals who are uninsured and at or below two hundred percent of the federal poverty level. If an uninsured and low-income individual has not

been identified as in need of available prescription drugs and supplies, those prescription drugs and supplies may be dispensed to other individuals expressing need.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** (1) Prescription drugs or supplies may be accepted and dispensed under this chapter if all of the following conditions are met:

- (a) The prescription drug is in:
- (i) Its original sealed and tamper evident packaging; or
- (ii) An opened package if it contains single unit doses that remain intact:
- (b) The prescription drug bears an expiration date that is more than six months after the date the prescription drug was donated;
- (c) The prescription drug or supplies are inspected before the prescription drug or supplies are dispensed by a pharmacist employed by or under contract with the pharmacy, and the pharmacist determines that the prescription drug or supplies are not adulterated or misbranded:
- (d) The prescription drug or supplies are prescribed by a practitioner for use by an eligible individual and are dispensed by a pharmacist; and
- (e) Any other safety precautions established by the department have been satisfied.
- (2)(a) If a person who donates prescription drugs or supplies to a pharmacy under this chapter receives a notice that the donated prescription drugs or supplies have been recalled, the person shall notify the pharmacy of the recall.
- (b) If a pharmacy that receives and distributes donated prescription drugs to another pharmacy, pharmacist, or prescribing practitioner under this chapter receives notice that the donated prescription drugs or supplies have been recalled, the pharmacy shall notify the other pharmacy, pharmacist, or prescribing practitioner of the recall.
- (c) If a person collecting or distributing donated prescription drugs or supplies under this chapter receives a recall notice from the drug manufacturer or the federal food and drug administration for donated prescription drugs or supplies, the person shall immediately remove all recalled medications from stock and comply with the instructions in the recall notice.
- (3) Prescription drugs and supplies donated under this chapter may not be resold.
- (4) Prescription drugs and supplies dispensed under this chapter shall not be eligible for reimbursement of the prescription drug or any related dispensing fees by any public or private health care payer.
- (5) A prescription drug that can only be dispensed to a patient registered with the manufacturer of that drug, in accordance with the requirements established by the federal food and drug administration, may not be accepted or distributed under the program.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** (1) The department must adopt rules establishing forms and procedures to: Reasonably verify eligibility and prioritize patients seeking to receive donated prescription drugs and supplies; and inform a person receiving prescription drugs donated under this program that the prescription drugs have been donated for the purposes of redistribution. A patient's eligibility may be determined by a form signed by the patient certifying that the patient is uninsured and at or below two hundred percent of the federal poverty level.

(2) The department may establish any other rules necessary to implement this chapter.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 7.** (1) A drug manufacturer acting in good faith may not, in the absence of a finding of gross negligence, be subject to criminal prosecution or liability in tort or other civil action, for injury, death, or loss to person or property for matters relating to the donation, acceptance, or dispensing of a drug manufactured by the drug manufacturer that is donated by any person under the program including, but not limited to, liability for failure to transfer or

communicate product or consumer information or the expiration date of the donated prescription drug.

- (2) Any person or entity, other than a drug manufacturer subject to subsection (1) of this section, acting in good faith in donating, accepting, or distributing prescription drugs under this chapter is immune from criminal prosecution, professional discipline, or civil liability of any kind for any injury, death, or loss to any person or property relating to such activities other than acts or omissions constituting gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.
- (3) The immunity provided under subsection (1) of this section does not absolve a drug manufacturer of a criminal or civil liability that would have existed but for the donation, nor does such donation increase the liability of the drug manufacturer in such an action.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 8.** Access to prescription drugs and supplies under this chapter is subject to availability. Nothing in this chapter establishes an entitlement to receive prescription drugs and supplies through the program.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 9.** Nothing in this chapter restricts the use of samples by a practitioner during the course of the practitioner's duties at a medical facility or pharmacy.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 10.** Nothing in this chapter authorizes the resale of prescription drugs by any person.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 11. Sections 1 through 10 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title  $69\ RCW$ .

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 12. This act takes effect July 1, 2014." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Morrell; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Schmick, Ranking Minority Member Hope, Assistant Ranking Minority Member.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2013

ESSB 5176

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Human Services & Corrections: Addressing criminal incompetency and civil commitment. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that persons with a mental illness or developmental disability are more likely to be victimized by crime than to be perpetrators of crime. The legislature further finds that there are a small number of individuals who commit repeated violent acts against others while suffering from the effects of a mental illness and/or developmental disability that both contributes to their criminal behaviors and renders them legally incompetent to be held accountable for those behaviors. The legislature further finds that the primary statutory mechanisms designed to protect the public from violent behavior, either criminal commitment to a corrections institution, or long-term commitment as not guilty by reason of insanity, are unavailable due to the legal incompetence of these individuals to stand trial. The legislature further finds that the existing civil system of short-term commitments under the Washington's involuntary treatment act is insufficient to protect the public from these violent acts. Finally, the legislature finds that changes to the involuntary treatment act to account for this small number of individuals is necessary in order to serve Washington's

compelling interest in public safety and to provide for the proper care of these individuals.

- Sec. 2. RCW 10.77.086 and 2012 c 256 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) If the defendant is charged with a felony and determined to be incompetent, until he or she has regained the competency necessary to understand the proceedings against him or her and assist in his or her own defense, or has been determined unlikely to regain competency pursuant to RCW 10.77.084(1)(b), but in any event for a period of no longer than ninety days, the court:
- (i) Shall commit the defendant to the custody of the secretary who shall place such defendant in an appropriate facility of the department for evaluation and treatment; or
- (ii) May alternatively order the defendant to undergo evaluation and treatment at some other facility as determined by the department, or under the guidance and control of a professional person.
- (b) For a defendant whose highest charge is a class C felony, or a class B felony that is not classified as violent under RCW 9.94A.030, the maximum time allowed for the initial period of commitment for competency restoration is forty-five days.
- (2) On or before expiration of the initial period of commitment under subsection (1) of this section the court shall conduct a hearing, at which it shall determine whether or not the defendant is incompetent.
- (3) If the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that a defendant charged with a felony is incompetent, the court shall have the option of extending the order of commitment or alternative treatment for an additional period of ninety days, but the court must at the time of extension set a date for a prompt hearing to determine the defendant's competency before the expiration of the second restoration period. The defendant, the defendant's attorney, or the prosecutor has the right to demand that the hearing be before a jury. No extension shall be ordered for a second or third restoration period as provided in subsection (4) of this section if the defendant's incompetence has been determined by the secretary to be solely the result of a developmental disability which is such that competence is not reasonably likely to be regained during an extension.
- (4) For persons charged with a felony, at the hearing upon the expiration of the second restoration period or at the end of the first restoration period, in the case of a defendant with a developmental disability, if the jury or court finds that the defendant is incompetent, the charges shall be dismissed without prejudice, and the court shall ((either order the release of the defendant or)) order the defendant be committed to a state hospital ((or secure mental health facility)) as defined in RCW 72.23.010 for up to seventy-two hours starting from admission to the facility, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, for evaluation for the purpose of filing a civil commitment petition under chapter 71.05 RCW. The criminal charges shall not be dismissed if the court or jury finds that: (a) The defendant (i) is a substantial danger to other persons; or (ii) presents a substantial likelihood of committing criminal acts jeopardizing public safety or security; and (b) there is a substantial probability that the defendant will regain competency within a reasonable period of time. In the event that the court or jury makes such a finding, the court may extend the period of commitment for up to an additional six months.
- **Sec. 3.** RCW 10.77.270 and 2010 c 263 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The secretary shall establish an independent public safety review panel for the purpose of advising the secretary and the courts with respect to persons who have been found not guilty by reason of insanity, or persons committed under the involuntary treatment act where the court has made a special finding under RCW 71.05.280(3)(b). The panel shall provide advice regarding all recommendations to the secretary, decisions by the secretary, or actions pending in court: (a) For a change in commitment status; (b) to allow furloughs or temporary leaves accompanied by staff; (c)

whether to seek a commitment term under RCW 71.05.320; or (((e))) (d) to permit movement about the grounds of the treatment facility, with or without the accompaniment of staff.

- (2) The members of the public safety review panel shall be appointed by the governor for a renewable term of three years and shall include the following:
  - (a) A psychiatrist;
  - (b) A licensed clinical psychologist;
  - (c) A representative of the department of corrections;
  - (d) A prosecutor or a representative of a prosecutor's association;
- (e) A representative of law enforcement or a law enforcement association:
  - (f) A consumer and family advocate representative; and
- (g) A public defender or a representative of a defender's association.
- (3) Thirty days prior to issuing a recommendation for conditional release under RCW 10.77.150 or forty-five days prior to issuing a recommendation for release under RCW 10.77.200, the secretary shall submit its recommendation with the committed person's application and the department's risk assessment to the public safety review panel. The public safety review panel shall complete an independent assessment of the public safety risk entailed by the secretary's proposed conditional release recommendation or release recommendation and provide this assessment in writing to the The public safety review panel may, within funds appropriated for this purpose, request additional evaluations of the committed person. The public safety review panel may indicate whether it is in agreement with the secretary's recommendation, or whether it would issue a different recommendation. The secretary shall provide the panel's assessment when it is received along with any supporting documentation, including all previous reports of evaluations of the committed person in the person's hospital record, to the court, prosecutor in the county that ordered the person's commitment, and counsel for the committed person.
- (4) The secretary shall notify the public safety review panel at appropriate intervals concerning any changes in the commitment or custody status of persons found not guilty by reason of insanity, or persons committed under the involuntary treatment act where the court has made a special finding under RCW 71.05.280(3)(b). The panel shall have access, upon request, to a committed person's complete hospital record, and any other records deemed necessary by the public safety review panel.
- (5) The department shall provide administrative and financial support to the public safety review panel. The department, in consultation with the public safety review panel, may adopt rules to implement this section.
- (6) By December 1, 2014, the public safety review panel shall report to the appropriate legislative committees the following:
- (a) Whether the public safety review panel has observed a change in statewide consistency of evaluations and decisions concerning changes in the commitment status of persons found not guilty by reason of insanity;
- (b) Whether the public safety review panel should be given the authority to make release decisions and monitor release conditions;
- (c) Whether further changes in the law are necessary to enhance public safety in cases where incompetency prevents operation of the criminal justice system and/or long-term commitment of the criminally insane; and
- (d) Any other issues the public safety review panel deems relevant.
- Sec. 4. RCW 71.05.280 and 2008 c 213 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

At the expiration of the fourteen-day period of intensive treatment or a restoration period under RCW 10.77.086, a person may be confined for further treatment pursuant to RCW 71.05.320 if:

- (1) Such person after having been taken into custody for evaluation and treatment has threatened, attempted, or inflicted: (a) Physical harm upon the person of another or himself or herself, or substantial damage upon the property of another, and (b) as a result of mental disorder presents a likelihood of serious harm; or
- (2) Such person was taken into custody as a result of conduct in which he or she attempted or inflicted physical harm upon the person of another or himself or herself, or substantial damage upon the property of others, and continues to present, as a result of mental disorder, a likelihood of serious harm; or
- (3) Such person has been determined to be incompetent and criminal charges have been dismissed pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4), and has committed acts constituting a felony, and as a result of a mental disorder or developmental disability, presents a substantial likelihood of repeating similar acts.
- (a) In any proceeding pursuant to this subsection it shall not be necessary to show intent, willfulness, or state of mind as an element of the crime:
- (b) For any person subject to commitment under this subsection where the charge underlying the finding of incompetence is for a felony classified as violent under RCW 9.94A.030, the court shall determine whether the acts the person committed constitute a violent offense under RCW 9.94A.030; or
  - (4) Such person is gravely disabled.
- Sec. 5. RCW 71.05.320 and 2009 c 323 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) If the court or jury finds that grounds set forth in RCW 71.05.280 have been proven and that the best interests of the person or others will not be served by a less restrictive treatment which is an alternative to detention, the court shall remand him or her to the custody of the department or to a facility certified for ninety day treatment by the department for a further period of intensive treatment not to exceed ninety days from the date of judgment. If the grounds set forth in RCW 71.05.280(3) are the basis of commitment, then the period of treatment may be up to but not exceed one hundred eighty days from the date of judgment in a facility certified for one hundred eighty day treatment by the department.
- (2) If the court or jury finds that grounds set forth in RCW 71.05.280 have been proven, but finds that treatment less restrictive than detention will be in the best interest of the person or others, then the court shall remand him or her to the custody of the department or to a facility certified for ninety day treatment by the department or to a less restrictive alternative for a further period of less restrictive treatment not to exceed ninety days from the date of judgment. If the grounds set forth in RCW 71.05.280(3) are the basis of commitment, then the period of treatment may be up to but not exceed one hundred eighty days from the date of judgment.
- (3) The person shall be released from involuntary treatment at the expiration of the period of commitment imposed under subsection (1) or (2) of this section unless the superintendent or professional person in charge of the facility in which he or she is confined, or in the event of a less restrictive alternative, the designated mental health professional, files a new petition for involuntary treatment on the grounds that the committed person:
- (a) During the current period of court ordered treatment: (i) Has threatened, attempted, or inflicted physical harm upon the person of another, or substantial damage upon the property of another, and (ii) as a result of mental disorder or developmental disability presents a likelihood of serious harm; or
- (b) Was taken into custody as a result of conduct in which he or she attempted or inflicted serious physical harm upon the person of another, and continues to present, as a result of mental disorder or developmental disability a likelihood of serious harm; or
- (c)(i) Is in custody pursuant to RCW 71.05.280(3) and as a result of mental disorder or developmental disability continues to present((s)) a substantial likelihood of repeating ((similar)) acts

((considering)) similar to the charged criminal behavior, when considering the person's life history, progress in treatment, and the public safety. (ii) In cases under this subsection where the court has made an affirmative special finding under RCW 71.05.280(3)(b), the commitment shall continue for up to an additional one hundred eighty day period whenever the petition presents prima facie evidence that the person continues to suffer from a mental disorder or developmental disability that results in a substantial likelihood that the person will commit acts similar to the charged criminal behavior, unless the person presents proof through an admissible expert opinion that the person's condition has so changed such that the mental disorder or developmental disability no longer presents a substantial likelihood that the person will commit acts similar to the charged criminal behavior. The additional commitment period may include transfer to a specialized program of intensive support and treatment, which may be initiated prior to or after release from the state hospital;

(d) Continues to be gravely disabled.

If the conduct required to be proven in (b) and (c) of this subsection was found by a judge or jury in a prior trial under this chapter, it shall not be necessary to prove such conduct again.

- (4) For a person committed under subsection (2) of this section who has been remanded to a period of less restrictive treatment, in addition to the grounds specified in subsection (3) of this section, the designated mental health professional may file a new petition for continued less restrictive treatment if:
- (a) The person was previously committed by a court to detention for involuntary mental health treatment during the thirty-six months that preceded the person's initial detention date during the current involuntary commitment cycle, excluding any time spent in a mental health facility or in confinement as a result of a criminal conviction;
- (b) In view of the person's treatment history or current behavior, the person is unlikely to voluntarily participate in outpatient treatment without an order for less restrictive treatment; and
- (c) Outpatient treatment that would be provided under a less restrictive treatment order is necessary to prevent a relapse, decompensation, or deterioration that is likely to result in the person presenting a likelihood of serious harm or the person becoming gravely disabled within a reasonably short period of time.
- (5) A new petition for involuntary treatment filed under subsection (3) or (4) of this section shall be filed and heard in the superior court of the county of the facility which is filing the new petition for involuntary treatment unless good cause is shown for a change of venue. The cost of the proceedings shall be borne by the state.
- (6) The hearing shall be held as provided in RCW 71.05.310, and if the court or jury finds that the grounds for additional confinement as set forth in this section are present, the court may order the committed person returned for an additional period of treatment not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the date of judgment. At the end of the one hundred eighty day period of commitment, the committed person shall be released unless a petition for another one hundred eighty day period of continued treatment is filed and heard in the same manner as provided in this section. Successive one hundred eighty day commitments are permissible on the same grounds and pursuant to the same procedures as the original one hundred eighty day commitment. However, a commitment is not permissible under subsection (4) of this section if thirty-six months have passed since the last date of discharge from detention for inpatient treatment that preceded the current less restrictive alternative order, nor shall a commitment under subsection (4) of this section be permissible if the likelihood of serious harm in subsection (4)(c) of this section is based solely on harm to the property of others.
- (7) No person committed as provided in this section may be detained unless a valid order of commitment is in effect. No order of commitment can exceed one hundred eighty days in length.

- **Sec. 6.** RCW 71.05.425 and 2011 c 305 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, at the earliest possible date, and in no event later than thirty days before conditional release, final release, authorized leave under RCW 71.05.325(2), or transfer to a facility other than a state mental hospital, the superintendent shall send written notice of conditional release, release, authorized leave, or transfer of a person committed under RCW 71.05.280(3) or 71.05.320(3)(c) following dismissal of a sex, violent, or felony harassment offense pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4) to the following:
- (i) The chief of police of the city, if any, in which the person will reside; ((and))
  - (ii) The sheriff of the county in which the person will reside; and
- (iii) The prosecuting attorney of the county in which the criminal charges against the committed person were dismissed.
- (b) The same notice as required by (a) of this subsection shall be sent to the following, if such notice has been requested in writing about a specific person committed under RCW 71.05.280(3) or 71.05.320(3)(c) following dismissal of a sex, violent, or felony harassment offense pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4):
- (i) The victim of the sex, violent, or felony harassment offense that was dismissed pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4) preceding commitment under RCW 71.05.280(3) or 71.05.320(3)(c) or the victim's next of kin if the crime was a homicide;
- (ii) Any witnesses who testified against the person in any court proceedings;
- (iii) Any person specified in writing by the prosecuting attorney. Information regarding victims, next of kin, or witnesses requesting the notice, information regarding any other person specified in writing by the prosecuting attorney to receive the notice, and the notice are confidential and shall not be available to the person committed under this chapter; and
- (iv) The chief of police of the city, if any, and the sheriff of the county, if any, which had jurisdiction of the person on the date of the applicable offense.
- (c) The thirty-day notice requirements contained in this subsection shall not apply to emergency medical transfers.
- (d) The existence of the notice requirements in this subsection will not require any extension of the release date in the event the release plan changes after notification.
- (2) If a person committed under RCW 71.05.280(3) or 71.05.320(3)(c) following dismissal of a sex, violent, or felony harassment offense pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4) escapes, the superintendent shall immediately notify, by the most reasonable and expedient means available, the chief of police of the city and the sheriff of the county in which the person escaped and in which the person resided immediately before the person's arrest and the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the criminal charges against the committed person were dismissed. If previously requested, the superintendent shall also notify the witnesses and the victim of the sex, violent, or felony harassment offense that was dismissed pursuant to RCW 10.77.086(4) preceding commitment under RCW 71.05.280(3) or 71.05.320(3) or the victim's next of kin if the crime was a homicide. In addition, the secretary shall also notify appropriate parties pursuant to RCW 71.05.390(18). If the person is recaptured, the superintendent shall send notice to the persons designated in this subsection as soon as possible but in no event later than two working days after the department learns of such recapture.
- (3) If the victim, the victim's next of kin, or any witness is under the age of sixteen, the notice required by this section shall be sent to the parent or legal guardian of the child.
- (4) The superintendent shall send the notices required by this chapter to the last address provided to the department by the requesting party. The requesting party shall furnish the department with a current address.

- (5) For purposes of this section the following terms have the following meanings:
- (a) "Violent offense" means a violent offense under RCW 9.94A.030:
  - (b) "Sex offense" means a sex offense under RCW 9.94A.030;
- (c) "Next of kin" means a person's spouse, state registered domestic partner, parents, siblings, and children;
- (d) "Felony harassment offense" means a crime of harassment as defined in RCW 9A.46.060 that is a felony.
- Sec. 7. RCW 10.77.200 and 2010 c 263 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Upon application by the committed or conditionally released person, the secretary shall determine whether or not reasonable grounds exist for release. In making this determination, the secretary may consider the reports filed under RCW 10.77.060, 10.77.110, 10.77.140, and 10.77.160, and other reports and evaluations provided by professionals familiar with the case. If the secretary approves the release he or she then shall authorize the person to petition the court.
- (2) In instances in which persons have not made application for release, but the secretary believes, after consideration of the reports filed under RCW 10.77.060, 10.77.110, 10.77.140, and 10.77.160, and other reports and evaluations provided by professionals familiar with the case, that reasonable grounds exist for release, the secretary may petition the court. If the secretary petitions the court for release under this subsection, notice of the petition must be provided to the person who is the subject of the petition and to his or her attorney.
- (3) The petition shall be served upon the court and the prosecuting attorney. The court, upon receipt of the petition for release, shall within forty-five days order a hearing. Continuance of the hearing date shall only be allowed for good cause shown. The prosecuting attorney shall represent the state, and shall have the right to have the ((petitioner)) person who is the subject of the petition examined by an expert or professional person of the prosecuting attorney's choice. If the secretary is the petitioner, the attorney general shall represent the secretary. If the ((petitioner)) person who is the subject of the petition is indigent, and the person so requests, the court shall appoint a qualified expert or professional person to examine him or her. If the ((petitioner)) person who is the subject of the petition has a developmental disability, the examination shall be performed by a developmental disabilities professional. The hearing shall be before a jury if demanded by either the petitioner or the prosecuting attorney. The burden of proof shall be upon the petitioner to show by a preponderance of the evidence that the ((petitioner)) person who is the subject of the petition no longer presents, as a result of a mental disease or defect, a substantial danger to other persons, or a substantial likelihood of committing criminal acts jeopardizing public safety or security, unless kept under further control by the court or other persons or institutions. If the person who is the subject of the petition will be transferred to a state correctional institution or facility upon release to serve a sentence for any class A felony, the petitioner must show that the person's mental disease or defect is manageable within a state correctional institution or facility, but must not be required to prove that the person does not present either a substantial danger to other persons, or a substantial likelihood of committing criminal acts jeopardizing public safety or security, if released.
- (4) For purposes of this section, a person affected by a mental disease or defect in a state of remission is considered to have a mental disease or defect requiring supervision when the disease may, with reasonable medical probability, occasionally become active and, when active, render the person a danger to others. Upon a finding that the ((petitioner)) person who is the subject of the petition has a mental disease or defect in a state of remission under this subsection, the court may deny release, or place or continue such a person on conditional release.
- (5) Nothing contained in this chapter shall prohibit the patient from petitioning the court for release or conditional release from the

institution in which he or she is committed. The petition shall be served upon the court, the prosecuting attorney, and the secretary. Upon receipt of such petition, the secretary shall develop a recommendation as provided in subsection (1) of this section and provide the secretary's recommendation to all parties and the court. The issue to be determined on such proceeding is whether the ((petitioner)) patient, as a result of a mental disease or defect, is a substantial danger to other persons, or presents a substantial likelihood of committing criminal acts jeopardizing public safety or security, unless kept under further control by the court or other persons or institutions.

(6) Nothing contained in this chapter shall prohibit the committed person from petitioning for release by writ of habeas corpus. NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Pedersen, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; O'Ban, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Hope; Jinkins; Kirby; Klippert; Nealey; Orwall and Roberts.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Goodman and Shea.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

March 28, 2013

2SSB 5199

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Concerning de facto changes in water rights for irrigation purposes that involved conversion to more efficient irrigation technologies. Reported by Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 90.03 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The department must initiate a process to enable water right holders to change the current status of water rights that are currently being put to a different or additional place of use or acreage than is indicated on the associated water right certificate, permit, or claim when that change was done prior to formal approval being granted by the department and only if the following conditions are met:
- (a) The water right is located in a county that has at least six thousand acres in raspberry production as of the effective date of this section:
- (b) The water right holder has implemented a change from overhead irrigation technology prior to January 1, 2010, to microirrigation technology;
- (c) The water right holder has beneficially used the water right for irrigation purposes using microirrigation technology since implementing the change;
- (d) Before the effective date of this section, the water right holder filed a water right change application or new water right application for the different or additional place of use or acreage but has not yet received approval for that application from the department; and
- (e) The water right holder submits the following to the department:
- (i) Information indicating the date or dates on which the actual changes in water use occurred, water use before and after the changes,

the points of diversion or withdrawal and any reductions in direct impact on instream resources, place of use and area actually irrigated both before and after the changes, and any improvements in water use efficiency:

- (ii) Payment for the appropriate fee under RCW 90.03.470(3).
- (2) For purposes of this section, "microirrigation technology" means a conservation irrigation method, such as drip or trickle irrigation, that delivers water to the base of the plant and allows additional production of crops without increasing the total amount of water consumptively used as compared to the prior overhead sprinkler system.
- (3) The department may accept as evidence under this section crop receipts, seed receipts, harvest-related receipts, aerial and other photographs showing land in agricultural production or showing irrigation facilities, irrigation equipment receipts, metering records, or any other form of data acceptable to the department.
- (4) If the department finds that the water right holder satisfies the requirements of this section, the department shall complete the analysis required by RCW 90.03.380(1) and issue appropriate superseding water right documents, except that the department shall use the time period prior to the implementation of the associated change to determine beneficial and consumptive use of the water right.
- (5) To participate in the process authorized by this section, an applicant must, if requested by the department, utilize the cost-reimbursement process in this chapter.
  - (6) This section expires June 30, 2020." Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Blake, Chair; Lytton, Vice Chair; Chandler, Ranking Minority Member; MacEwen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Buys; Dunshee; Haigh; Hurst; Kretz; Orcutt; Pettigrew; Schmick; Stanford; Van De Wege and Warnick.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government.

March 28, 2013

2SSB 5213

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Concerning prescription review for medicaid managed care enrollees. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW to read as follows:

The legislature finds that chronic care management, including comprehensive medication management services, provided by licensed pharmacists and qualified providers is a critical component of a collaborative, multidisciplinary, inter-professional approach to the treatment of chronic diseases for targeted individuals, to improve the quality of care and reduce overall cost in the treatment of such diseases.

- **Sec. 2.** RCW 74.09.522 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 15 s 29, 2011 1st sp.s. c 9 s 2, and 2011 c 316 s 4 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
  - (1) For the purposes of this section:
- (a) "Managed health care system" means any health care organization, including health care providers, insurers, health care service contractors, health maintenance organizations, health insuring organizations, or any combination thereof, that provides directly or by contract health care services covered under this chapter and rendered

- by licensed providers, on a prepaid capitated basis and that meets the requirements of section 1903(m)(1)(A) of Title XIX of the federal social security act or federal demonstration waivers granted under section 1115(a) of Title XI of the federal social security act;
- (b) "Nonparticipating provider" means a person, health care provider, practitioner, facility, or entity, acting within their scope of practice, that does not have a written contract to participate in a managed health care system's provider network, but provides health care services to enrollees of programs authorized under this chapter whose health care services are provided by the managed health care system.
- (2) The authority shall enter into agreements with managed health care systems to provide health care services to recipients of temporary assistance for needy families under the following conditions:
- (a) Agreements shall be made for at least thirty thousand recipients statewide;
- (b) Agreements in at least one county shall include enrollment of all recipients of temporary assistance for needy families;
- (c) To the extent that this provision is consistent with section 1903(m) of Title XIX of the federal social security act or federal demonstration waivers granted under section 1115(a) of Title XI of the federal social security act, recipients shall have a choice of systems in which to enroll and shall have the right to terminate their enrollment in a system: PROVIDED, That the authority may limit recipient termination of enrollment without cause to the first month of a period of enrollment, which period shall not exceed twelve months: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That the authority shall not restrict a recipient's right to terminate enrollment in a system for good cause as established by the authority by rule;
- (d) To the extent that this provision is consistent with section 1903(m) of Title XIX of the federal social security act, participating managed health care systems shall not enroll a disproportionate number of medical assistance recipients within the total numbers of persons served by the managed health care systems, except as authorized by the authority under federal demonstration waivers granted under section 1115(a) of Title XI of the federal social security act:
- (e)(i) In negotiating with managed health care systems the authority shall adopt a uniform procedure to enter into contractual arrangements, to be included in contracts issued or renewed on or after January 1, ((2012)) 2014, unless a state plan amendment is required to implement subsections (C) and (F) of this section, including:
  - (A) Standards regarding the quality of services to be provided;
  - (B) The financial integrity of the responding system;
- (C) Provider reimbursement methods that incentivize chronic care management within health homes, including comprehensive medication management services for patients with multiple chronic conditions, provided by a licensed pharmacist or other qualified provider consistent with the findings and goals established in section 1 of this act and in alignment with medication management services as described in section 3503(c) and (d) of P.L. 111-148 of 2010, as amended:
- (D) Provider reimbursement methods that reward health homes that, by using chronic care management, reduce emergency department and inpatient use; ((and))
- (E) Promoting provider participation in the program of training and technical assistance regarding care of people with chronic conditions described in RCW 43.70.533, including allocation of funds to support provider participation in the training, unless the managed care system is an integrated health delivery system that has programs in place for chronic care management; and
- (F) Provider reimbursement methods within the medical billing processes that incentivize pharmacists or other qualified providers licensed in Washington state to provide comprehensive medication management services consistent with the findings and goals

established in section 1 of this act and in alignment with section 3503(c) and (d) of P.L. 111-148 of 2010, as amended. If comprehensive medication management services are performed at the same time that a medication is dispensed, the pharmacist shall forego reimbursement of the dispensing fee for payment for the review related to that encounter.

- (ii)(A) Health home services contracted for under this subsection may be prioritized to enrollees with complex, high cost, or multiple chronic conditions.
- (B) Contracts that include the items in (e)(i)(C) through (E) of this subsection must not exceed the rates that would be paid in the absence of these provisions;
- (f) The authority shall seek waivers from federal requirements as necessary to implement this chapter;
- (g) The authority shall, wherever possible, enter into prepaid capitation contracts that include inpatient care. However, if this is not possible or feasible, the authority may enter into prepaid capitation contracts that do not include inpatient care;
- (h) The authority shall define those circumstances under which a managed health care system is responsible for out-of-plan services and assure that recipients shall not be charged for such services;
- (i) Nothing in this section prevents the authority from entering into similar agreements for other groups of people eligible to receive services under this chapter; and
- (j) The ((department)) <u>authority</u> must consult with the federal center for medicare and medicaid innovation and seek funding opportunities to support health homes.
- (3) The authority shall ensure that publicly supported community health centers and providers in rural areas, who show serious intent and apparent capability to participate as managed health care systems are seriously considered as contractors. The authority shall coordinate its managed care activities with activities under chapter 70.47 RCW.
- (4) The authority shall work jointly with the state of Oregon and other states in this geographical region in order to develop recommendations to be presented to the appropriate federal agencies and the United States congress for improving health care of the poor, while controlling related costs.
- (5) The legislature finds that competition in the managed health care marketplace is enhanced, in the long term, by the existence of a large number of managed health care system options for medicaid clients. In a managed care delivery system, whose goal is to focus on prevention, primary care, and improved enrollee health status, continuity in care relationships is of substantial importance, and disruption to clients and health care providers should be minimized. To help ensure these goals are met, the following principles shall guide the authority in its healthy options managed health care purchasing efforts:
- (a) All managed health care systems should have an opportunity to contract with the authority to the extent that minimum contracting requirements defined by the authority are met, at payment rates that enable the authority to operate as far below appropriated spending levels as possible, consistent with the principles established in this section.
- (b) Managed health care systems should compete for the award of contracts and assignment of medicaid beneficiaries who do not voluntarily select a contracting system, based upon:
- (i) Demonstrated commitment to or experience in serving low-income populations;
  - (ii) Quality of services provided to enrollees;
- (iii) Accessibility, including appropriate utilization, of services offered to enrollees:
- (iv) Demonstrated capability to perform contracted services, including ability to supply an adequate provider network;
  - (v) Payment rates; and

- (vi) The ability to meet other specifically defined contract requirements established by the authority, including consideration of past and current performance and participation in other state or federal health programs as a contractor.
- (c) Consideration should be given to using multiple year contracting periods.
- (d) Quality, accessibility, and demonstrated commitment to serving low-income populations shall be given significant weight in the contracting, evaluation, and assignment process.
- (e) All contractors that are regulated health carriers must meet state minimum net worth requirements as defined in applicable state laws. The authority shall adopt rules establishing the minimum net worth requirements for contractors that are not regulated health carriers. This subsection does not limit the authority of the Washington state health care authority to take action under a contract upon finding that a contractor's financial status seriously jeopardizes the contractor's ability to meet its contract obligations.
- (f) Procedures for resolution of disputes between the authority and contract bidders or the authority and contracting carriers related to the award of, or failure to award, a managed care contract must be clearly set out in the procurement document.
- (6) The authority may apply the principles set forth in subsection (5) of this section to its managed health care purchasing efforts on behalf of clients receiving supplemental security income benefits to the extent appropriate.
- (7) A managed health care system shall pay a nonparticipating provider that provides a service covered under this chapter to the system's enrollee no more than the lowest amount paid for that service under the managed health care system's contracts with similar providers in the state.
- (8) For services covered under this chapter to medical assistance or medical care services enrollees and provided on or after August 24, 2011, nonparticipating providers must accept as payment in full the amount paid by the managed health care system under subsection (7) of this section in addition to any deductible, coinsurance, or copayment that is due from the enrollee for the service provided. An enrollee is not liable to any nonparticipating provider for covered services, except for amounts due for any deductible, coinsurance, or copayment under the terms and conditions set forth in the managed health care system contract to provide services under this section.
- (9) Pursuant to federal managed care access standards, 42 C.F.R. Sec. 438, managed health care systems must maintain a network of appropriate providers that is supported by written agreements sufficient to provide adequate access to all services covered under the contract with the ((department)) authority, including hospital-based physician services. The ((department)) authority will monitor and periodically report on the proportion of services provided by contracted providers and nonparticipating providers, by county, for each managed health care system to ensure that managed health care systems are meeting network adequacy requirements. No later than January 1st of each year, the ((department)) authority will review and report its findings to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature for the preceding state fiscal year.
- (10) Subsections (7) through (9) of this section expire July 1, 2016."

Correct the title.

On page 1, line 8 of the striking amendment, after "pharmacists" strike "and" and insert "or other"

On page 3, beginning on line 11 of the striking amendment, after "services" strike all material through "amended" on line 16 and insert "as described in section 3503(c) and (d) of P.L. 111-148 of 2010, as amended, provided by a licensed pharmacist or other qualified provider to patients with multiple chronic conditions as part of a collaborative, multidisciplinary, interprofessional approach to the treatment of chronic diseases for targeted individuals to improve the

quality of care and reduce the overall cost in the treatment of such diseases"

Signed by Representatives Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Hope, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short and Tharinger.

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Morrell and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

March 28, 2013

E2SSB 5215

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Concerning health care professionals contracting with public and private payors. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that Washington state is a provider friendly state within which to practice medicine. As part of health care reform, Washington state endeavors to establish and operate a state-based health benefits exchange wherein insurance products will be offered for sale and add potentially three hundred thousand patients to commercial insurance, and to expand access to medicaid for potentially three hundred thousand new enrollees. Such a successful and new insurance market in Washington state will require the willing participation of all categories of health care providers. The legislature further finds that principles of fair contracting apply to all contracts between health care providers and health insurance carriers offering insurance within Washington state and that fair dealings and transparency in expectations should be present in interactions between all third-party payors and health care providers.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Health care provider" or "provider" has the same meaning as in RCW 48.43.005 and, for the purposes of this chapter, includes facilities licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW.
- (2) "Payor" or "third-party payor" means carriers licensed under chapters 48.20, 48.21, 48.44, and 48.46 RCW, and managed health care systems as defined in RCW 74.09.522.
- (3) "Material amendment" means an amendment to a contract between a payor and health care provider that would result in requiring a health care provider to participate in a health plan, product, or line of business with a lower fee schedule in order to continue to participate in a health plan, product, or line of business with a higher fee schedule. A material amendment does not include any of the following:
- (a) A decrease in payment or compensation resulting from a change in a fee schedule published by the payor upon which the payment or compensation is based and the date of applicability is clearly identified in the contract, compensation addendum, or fee schedule notice;
- (b) A decrease in payment or compensation that was anticipated under the terms of the contract, if the amount and date of applicability of the decrease is clearly identified in the contract; or
- (c) Changes unrelated to compensation so long as reasonable notice of not less than sixty days is provided.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** (1) A third-party payor shall provide no less than sixty days' notice to the health care provider of any

proposed material amendments to a health care provider's contract with the third-party payor.

- (2) Any material amendment to a contract must be clearly defined in a notice to the provider from the third-party payor as being a material change to the contract before the provider's notice period begins. The notice must also inform the providers that they may choose to reject the terms of the proposed material amendment through written or electronic means at any time during the notice period and that such rejection may not affect the terms of the health care provider's existing contract with the third-party payor.
- (3) A health care provider's rejection of the material amendment does not affect the terms of the health care provider's existing contract with the third-party payor.
- (4) A failure to comply with the terms of subsections (1), (2), and (3) of this section shall void the effectiveness of the material amendment.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A payor may require a health care provider to extend the payor's medicaid rates, or some percentage above the payor's medicaid rates, that govern a health benefit program administered by a public purchaser to a commercial plan or line of business offered by a payor that is not administered by a public purchaser only if the health care provider has expressly agreed in writing to the extension. For the purposes of this section, "administered by a public purchaser" does not include commercial coverage offered through the Washington health benefit exchange. Nothing in this section prohibits a payor from utilizing medicaid rates, or some percentage above medicaid rates, as a base when negotiating payment rates with a health care provider.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 18.130 RCW to read as follows:

No licensee subject to this chapter may be required to participate in any public or private third-party reimbursement program or any plans or products offered by a payor as a condition of licensure.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** Sections 1 through 4 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 48 RCW."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Hope, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Morrell; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

E2SSB 5267

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Developing standardized prior authorization for medical and pharmacy management. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) A work group is formed to develop criteria to streamline the prior authorization process for prescription drugs, medical procedures, and medical tests, with the goal of simplification and uniformity.
- (2) The work group shall be cochaired by the chair of the senate health care committee and the chair of the house of representatives health care committee, and membership of the work group shall be determined by the cochairs, not to exceed eleven participants.
- (3) The work group shall examine elements that may include the following:

- (a) National standard transaction information, such as HIPAA 278 standards, for sending or receiving authorizations electronically;
- (b) Standard transaction information and uniform prior authorization forms:
- (c) Clean, uniform, and readily accessible forms for prior authorization including determining the appropriate number of forms;
- (d) A core set of common data requirements for nonclinical information for prior authorization and electronic prescriptions, or both:
- (e) The prior authorization process, which considers electronic forms and allows for flexibility for carriers to develop electronic forms; and
- (f) Existing prior authorization forms by insurance carriers and by state agencies, in developing the uniform prior authorization forms.
  - (4) The work group must:
- (a) Establish timelines for urgent requests and timeliness for nonurgent requests;
  - (b) Work on a receipt and missing information time frame;
- (c) Determine time limits for a response of acknowledgment of receipts or requests of missing information;
- (d) Establish when an authorization request will be deemed as granted when there is no response.
- (5) The work group must submit their recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature by November 15, 2013.
  - (6) This section expires January 1, 2014.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. The insurance commissioner shall adopt rules implementing the recommendations of the work group established in section 1 of this act. The rules must take effect no later than July 1, 2014."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Hope, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Morrell; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 25, 2013

SSB 5287

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Eliminating accounts and funds. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 41.06.280 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 43 s 419 are each amended to read as follows:

There is hereby created a fund within the state treasury, designated as the "personnel service fund," to be used by the office of financial management ((and the department of enterprise services)) as a revolving fund for the payment of salaries, wages, and operations required for the administration of the provisions of this chapter, applicable provisions of chapter 41.04 RCW, and chapter 41.60 RCW. An amount not to exceed one and one-half percent of the salaries and wages for all positions in the classified service in each of the agencies subject to this chapter, except the institutions of higher education, shall be charged to the operations appropriations of each agency and credited to the personnel service fund as the allotments are approved pursuant to chapter 43.88 RCW. Subject to the above limitations, the amount shall be charged against the allotments pro rata, at a rate to be fixed by the director from time to time which, together with income derived from services rendered under RCW 41.06.080, will provide the office of financial management ((and the

department of enterprise services)) with funds to meet its anticipated expenditures during the allotment period, including the training requirements in RCW 41.06.500and 41.06.530. All revenues, net of expenditures, previously derived from services provided by the department of enterprise services under RCW 41.06.080 must be transferred to the enterprise services account.

The director shall fix the terms and charges for services rendered by ((the department of enterprise services and)) the office of financial management pursuant to RCW 41.06.080, which amounts shall be credited to the personnel service fund and charged against the proper fund or appropriation of the recipient of such services on a monthly basis. Payment for services so rendered under RCW 41.06.080 shall be made on a monthly basis to the state treasurer and deposited in the personnel service fund.

Moneys from the personnel service fund shall be disbursed by the state treasurer by warrants on vouchers duly authorized by the office of financial management ((and the department of enterprise services)).

**Sec. 2.** RCW 43.19.025 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 43 s 202 are each amended to read as follows:

The enterprise services account is created in the custody of the state treasurer and shall be used for all activities ((previously budgeted and accounted for in the following internal service funds: The motor transport account, the enterprise services management fund, the enterprise services facilities and services revolving fund, the central stores revolving fund, the surplus property purchase revolving fund, and the energy efficiency services account)) conducted by the department, except information technology services. Only the director or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to the allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW.

**Sec. 3.** RCW 43.84.092 and 2012 c 198 s 2, 2012 c 196 s 7, 2012 c 187 s 14, and 2012 c 83 s 4 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

- (1) All earnings of investments of surplus balances in the state treasury shall be deposited to the treasury income account, which account is hereby established in the state treasury.
- (2) The treasury income account shall be utilized to pay or receive funds associated with federal programs as required by the federal cash management improvement act of 1990. The treasury income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for refunds or allocations of interest earnings required by the cash management improvement act. Refunds of interest to the federal treasury required under the cash management improvement act fall under RCW 43.88.180 and shall not require appropriation. The office of financial management shall determine the amounts due to or from the federal government pursuant to the cash management improvement act. The office of financial management may direct transfers of funds between accounts as deemed necessary to implement the provisions of the cash management improvement act, and this subsection. Refunds or allocations shall occur prior to the distributions of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.
- (3) Except for the provisions of RCW 43.84.160, the treasury income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services on behalf of treasury funds including, but not limited to, depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasury and affected state agencies. The treasury income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.
- (4) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings credited to the treasury income account. The state treasurer shall credit the general fund with all the earnings credited to the treasury income account except:

(a) The following accounts and funds shall receive their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's and fund's average daily balance for the period: The aeronautics account, the aircraft search and rescue account, the Alaskan Way viaduct replacement project account, the budget stabilization account, the capital vessel replacement account, the capitol building construction account, the Cedar River channel construction and operation account, the Central Washington University capital projects account, the charitable, educational, penal and reformatory institutions account, the cleanup settlement account, the Columbia river basin water supply development account, the Columbia river basin taxable bond water supply development account, the Columbia river basin water supply revenue recovery account, the common school construction fund, the county arterial preservation account, the county criminal justice assistance account, the deferred compensation administrative account, the deferred compensation principal account, the department of licensing services account, the department of retirement systems expense account, the developmental disabilities community trust account, the drinking water assistance account, the drinking water assistance administrative account, the drinking water assistance repayment account, the Eastern Washington University capital projects account, the Interstate 405 express toll lanes operations account, the education construction fund, the education legacy trust account, the election account, the energy freedom account, the energy recovery act account, the essential rail assistance account, The Evergreen State College capital projects account, the federal forest revolving account, the ferry bond retirement fund, ((the freight congestion relief account,)) the freight mobility investment account, the freight mobility multimodal account, the grade crossing protective fund, the public health services account, the high capacity transportation account, the state higher education construction account, the higher education construction account, the highway bond retirement fund, the highway infrastructure account, the highway safety ((account [fund])) fund, the high occupancy toll lanes operations account, the hospital safety net assessment fund, the industrial insurance premium refund account, the judges' retirement account, the judicial retirement administrative account, the judicial retirement principal account, the local leasehold excise tax account, the local real estate excise tax account, the local sales and use tax account, the marine resources stewardship trust account, the medical aid account, the mobile home park relocation fund, the motor vehicle fund, the motorcycle safety education account, the multimodal transportation account, the municipal criminal justice assistance account, the natural resources deposit account, the oyster reserve land account, the pension funding stabilization account, the perpetual surveillance and maintenance account, the public employees' retirement system plan 1 account, the public employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the public facilities construction loan revolving account beginning July 1, 2004, the public health supplemental account, ((the public transportation systems account,)) the public works assistance account, the Puget Sound capital construction account, the Puget Sound ferry operations account, ((the Puyallup tribal settlement account,)) the real estate appraiser commission account, the recreational vehicle account, the regional mobility grant program account, the resource management cost account, the rural arterial trust account, the rural mobility grant program account, the rural Washington loan fund, the site closure account, the skilled nursing facility safety net trust fund, the small city pavement and sidewalk account, the special category C account, the special wildlife account, the state employees' insurance account, the state employees' insurance reserve account, the state investment board expense account, the state investment board commingled trust fund accounts, the state patrol highway account, the state route number 520 civil penalties account, the state route number 520 corridor account, the state wildlife account, the supplemental pension account, the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account, the teachers' retirement system

plan 1 account, the teachers' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the tobacco prevention and control account, the tobacco settlement account, the toll facility bond retirement account, the transportation 2003 account (nickel account), the transportation equipment fund, the transportation fund, the transportation improvement account, the transportation improvement board bond retirement account, the transportation infrastructure account, the transportation partnership account, the traumatic brain injury account, the tuition recovery trust fund, the University of Washington bond retirement fund, the University of Washington building account, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' relief and pension principal fund, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' administrative fund, the Washington judicial retirement system account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 1 retirement account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 2 retirement account, the Washington public safety employees' plan 2 retirement account, the Washington school employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and 3 account, the Washington state economic development commission account, the Washington state health insurance pool account, the Washington state patrol retirement account, the Washington State University building account, the Washington State University bond retirement fund, the water pollution control revolving fund, and the Western Washington University capital projects account. Earnings derived from investing balances of the agricultural permanent fund, the normal school permanent fund, the permanent common school fund, the scientific permanent fund, the state university permanent fund, and the state reclamation revolving account shall be allocated to their respective beneficiary accounts.

- (b) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts or funds not statutorily required to be held in the state treasury that deposits funds into a fund or account in the state treasury pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period.
- (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state Constitution, no treasury accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.
- **Sec. 4.** RCW 43.84.092 and 2012 c 198 s 2, 2012 c 196 s 7, 2012 c 187 s 14, 2012 c 83 s 4, and 2012 c 36 s 5 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- (1) All earnings of investments of surplus balances in the state treasury shall be deposited to the treasury income account, which account is hereby established in the state treasury.
- (2) The treasury income account shall be utilized to pay or receive funds associated with federal programs as required by the federal cash management improvement act of 1990. The treasury income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for refunds or allocations of interest earnings required by the cash management improvement act. Refunds of interest to the federal treasury required under the cash management improvement act fall under RCW 43.88.180 and shall not require appropriation. The office of financial management shall determine the amounts due to or from the federal government pursuant to the cash management improvement act. The office of financial management may direct transfers of funds between accounts as deemed necessary to implement the provisions of the cash management improvement act, and this subsection. Refunds or allocations shall occur prior to the distributions of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.
- (3) Except for the provisions of RCW 43.84.160, the treasury income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services on behalf of treasury funds including, but not limited to, depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasury and affected state agencies. The treasury income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is

required for payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section

- (4) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings credited to the treasury income account. The state treasurer shall credit the general fund with all the earnings credited to the treasury income account except:
- (a) The following accounts and funds shall receive their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's and fund's average daily balance for the period: The aeronautics account, the aircraft search and rescue account, the Alaskan Way viaduct replacement project account, the budget stabilization account, the capital vessel replacement account, the capitol building construction account, the Cedar River channel construction and operation account, the Central Washington University capital projects account, the charitable, educational, penal and reformatory institutions account, the cleanup settlement account, the Columbia river basin water supply development account, the Columbia river basin taxable bond water supply development account, the Columbia river basin water supply revenue recovery account, the Columbia river crossing project account, the common school construction fund, the county arterial preservation account, the county criminal justice assistance account, the deferred compensation administrative account, the deferred compensation principal account, the department of licensing services account, the department of retirement systems expense account, the developmental disabilities community trust account, the drinking water assistance account, the drinking water assistance administrative account, the drinking water assistance repayment account, the Eastern Washington University capital projects account, the Interstate 405 express toll lanes operations account, the education construction fund, the education legacy trust account, the election account, the energy freedom account, the energy recovery act account, the essential rail assistance account, The Evergreen State College capital projects account, the federal forest revolving account, the ferry bond retirement fund, ((the freight congestion relief account,)) the freight mobility investment account, the freight mobility multimodal account, the grade crossing protective fund, the public health services account, the high capacity transportation account, the state higher education construction account, the higher education construction account, the highway bond retirement fund, the highway infrastructure account, the highway safety ((account [fund])) fund, the high occupancy toll lanes operations account, the hospital safety net assessment fund, the industrial insurance premium refund account, the judges' retirement account, the judicial retirement administrative account, the judicial retirement principal account, the local leasehold excise tax account, the local real estate excise tax account, the local sales and use tax account, the marine resources stewardship trust account, the medical aid account, the mobile home park relocation fund, the motor vehicle fund, the motorcycle safety education account, the multimodal transportation account, the municipal criminal justice assistance account, the natural resources deposit account, the oyster reserve land account, the pension funding stabilization account, the perpetual surveillance and maintenance account, the public employees' retirement system plan 1 account, the public employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the public facilities construction loan revolving account beginning July 1, 2004, the public health supplemental account, ((the public transportation systems account,)) the public works assistance account, the Puget Sound capital construction account, the Puget Sound ferry operations account, ((the Puyallup tribal settlement account,)) the real estate appraiser commission account, the recreational vehicle account, the regional mobility grant program account, the resource management cost account, the rural arterial trust account, the rural mobility grant program account, the rural Washington loan fund, the site closure account, the skilled nursing facility safety net trust fund, the small city pavement and sidewalk account, the special category C account, the
- special wildlife account, the state employees' insurance account, the state employees' insurance reserve account, the state investment board expense account, the state investment board commingled trust fund accounts, the state patrol highway account, the state route number 520 civil penalties account, the state route number 520 corridor account, the state wildlife account, the supplemental pension account, the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account, the teachers' retirement system plan 1 account, the teachers' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the tobacco prevention and control account, the tobacco settlement account, the toll facility bond retirement account, the transportation 2003 account (nickel account), the transportation equipment fund, the transportation fund, the transportation improvement account, the transportation improvement board bond retirement account, the transportation infrastructure account, the transportation partnership account, the traumatic brain injury account, the tuition recovery trust fund, the University of Washington bond retirement fund, the University of Washington building account, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' relief and pension principal fund, the volunteer firefighters' and reserve officers' administrative fund, the Washington judicial retirement system account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 1 retirement account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters' system plan 2 retirement account, the Washington public safety employees' plan 2 retirement account, the Washington school employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and 3 account, the Washington state economic development commission account, the Washington state health insurance pool account, the Washington state patrol retirement account, the Washington State University building account, the Washington State University bond retirement fund, the water pollution control revolving fund, and the Western Washington University capital projects account. Earnings derived from investing balances of the agricultural permanent fund, the normal school permanent fund, the permanent common school fund, the scientific permanent fund, the state university permanent fund, and the state reclamation revolving account shall be allocated to their respective beneficiary accounts.
- (b) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts or funds not statutorily required to be held in the state treasury that deposits funds into a fund or account in the state treasury pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period.
- (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state Constitution, no treasury accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.
- **Sec. 5.** RCW 43.79A.040 and 2012 c 198 s 8, 2012 c 196 s 6, 2012 c 187 s 13, and 2012 c 114 s 3 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- (1) Money in the treasurer's trust fund may be deposited, invested, and reinvested by the state treasurer in accordance with RCW 43.84.080 in the same manner and to the same extent as if the money were in the state treasury, and may be commingled with moneys in the state treasury for cash management and cash balance purposes.
- (2) All income received from investment of the treasurer's trust fund must be set aside in an account in the treasury trust fund to be known as the investment income account.
- (3) The investment income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services on behalf of treasurer's trust funds including, but not limited to, depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasurer or affected state agencies. The investment income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for payments to financial institutions. Payments must occur prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.

- (4)(a) Monthly, the state treasurer must distribute the earnings credited to the investment income account to the state general fund except under (b), (c), and (d) of this subsection.
- (b) The following accounts and funds must receive their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The Washington promise scholarship account, the Washington advanced college tuition payment program account, the accessible communities account, the community and technical college innovation account, the agricultural local fund, the American Indian scholarship endowment fund, the foster care scholarship endowment fund, the foster care endowed scholarship trust fund, ((the basic health plan self-insurance reserve account,)) the contract harvesting revolving account, the Washington state combined fund drive account, the commemorative works account, the county enhanced 911 excise tax account, the toll collection account, the developmental disabilities endowment trust fund, the energy account, the fair fund, the family leave insurance account, the food animal veterinarian conditional scholarship account, the fruit and vegetable inspection account, the future teachers conditional scholarship account, the game farm alternative account, the GET ready for math and science scholarship account, the Washington global health technologies and product development account, the grain inspection revolving fund, the industrial insurance rainy day fund, the juvenile accountability incentive account, the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' plan 2 expense fund, the local tourism promotion account, the multiagency permitting team account, the pilotage account, the produce railcar pool account, the regional transportation investment district account, the rural rehabilitation account, the stadium and exhibition center account, the youth athletic facility account, the self-insurance revolving fund, the children's trust fund, the Washington horse racing commission Washington bred owners' bonus fund and breeder awards account, the Washington horse racing commission class C purse fund account, the individual development account program account, the Washington horse racing commission operating account (earnings from the Washington horse racing commission operating account must be credited to the Washington horse racing commission class C purse fund account), the life sciences discovery fund, the Washington state heritage center account, ((and)) the reduced cigarette ignition propensity account, the center for childhood deafness and hearing loss account, ((and)) the school for the blind account, the Millersylvania park trust fund, the public employees' and retirees' insurance reserve fund, and the radiation perpetual maintenance fund.
- (c) The following accounts and funds must receive eighty percent of their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The advanced right-of-way revolving fund, the advanced environmental mitigation revolving account, the federal narcotics asset forfeitures account, the high occupancy vehicle account, the local rail service assistance account, and the miscellaneous transportation programs account.
- (d) Any state agency that has independent authority over accounts or funds not statutorily required to be held in the custody of the state treasurer that deposits funds into a fund or account in the custody of the state treasurer pursuant to an agreement with the office of the state treasurer shall receive its proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period.
- (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state Constitution, no trust accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings without the specific affirmative directive of this section.
- **Sec. 6.** RCW 64.44.060 and 2006 c 339 s 206 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A contractor, supervisor, or worker may not perform decontamination, demolition, or disposal work unless issued a certificate by the state department of health. The department shall establish performance standards for contractors, supervisors, and workers by rule in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW, the

- administrative procedure act. The department shall train and test, or may approve courses to train and test, contractors, supervisors, and workers on the essential elements in assessing property used as an illegal controlled substances manufacturing or storage site to determine hazard reduction measures needed, techniques for adequately reducing contaminants, use of personal protective equipment, methods for proper decontamination, demolition, removal, and disposal of contaminated property, and relevant federal and state regulations. Upon successful completion of the training, and after a background check, the contractor, supervisor, or worker shall be certified.
- (2) The department may require the successful completion of annual refresher courses provided or approved by the department for the continued certification of the contractor or employee.
- (3) The department shall provide for reciprocal certification of any individual trained to engage in decontamination, demolition, or disposal work in another state when the prior training is shown to be substantially similar to the training required by the department. The department may require such individuals to take an examination or refresher course before certification.
- (4) The department may deny, suspend, revoke, or place restrictions on a certificate for failure to comply with the requirements of this chapter or any rule adopted pursuant to this chapter. A certificate may be denied, suspended, revoked, or have restrictions placed on it on any of the following grounds:
- (a) Failing to perform decontamination, demolition, or disposal work under the supervision of trained personnel;
- (b) Failing to perform decontamination, demolition, or disposal work using department of health certified decontamination personnel;
  - (c) Failing to file a work plan;
  - (d) Failing to perform work pursuant to the work plan;
- (e) Failing to perform work that meets the requirements of the department and the requirements of the local health officers;
  - (f) Failing to properly dispose of contaminated property;
- (g) Committing fraud or misrepresentation in: (i) Applying for or obtaining a certification, recertification, or reinstatement; (ii) seeking approval of a work plan; and (iii) documenting completion of work to the department or local health officer;
- (h) Failing the evaluation and inspection of decontamination projects pursuant to RCW 64.44.075; or
- (i) If the person has been certified pursuant to RCW 74.20A.320 by the department of social and health services as a person who is not in compliance with a support order or a residential or visitation order. If the person has continued to meet all other requirements for reinstatement during the suspension, reissuance of the license or certificate shall be automatic upon the department's receipt of a release issued by the department of social and health services stating that the person is in compliance with the order.
- (5) A contractor, supervisor, or worker who violates any provision of this chapter may be assessed a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars for each violation.
- (6) The department of health shall prescribe fees as provided for in RCW 43.70.250 for: The issuance and renewal of certificates, conducting background checks of applicants, the administration of examinations, and the review of training courses.
- (((7) The decontamination account is hereby established in the state treasury. All fees collected under this chapter shall be deposited in this account. Moneys in the account may only be spent after appropriation for costs incurred by the department in the administration and enforcement of this chapter.))
- **Sec. 7.** RCW 70.47.100 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 9 s 4 and 2011 c 316 s 5 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- (1) A managed health care system participating in the plan shall do so by contract with the ((administrator)) director and shall provide, directly or by contract with other health care providers, covered basic health care services to each enrollee covered by its contract with the

- ((administrator)) director as long as payments from the ((administrator)) director on behalf of the enrollee are current. A participating managed health care system may offer, without additional cost, health care benefits or services not included in the schedule of covered services under the plan. A participating managed health care system shall not give preference in enrollment to enrollees who accept such additional health care benefits or services. Managed health care systems participating in the plan shall not discriminate against any potential or current enrollee based upon health status, sex, race, ethnicity, or religion. The ((administrator)) director may receive and act upon complaints from enrollees regarding failure to provide covered services or efforts to obtain payment, other than authorized copayments, for covered services directly from enrollees, but nothing in this chapter empowers the ((administrator)) director to impose any sanctions under Title 18 RCW or any other professional or facility licensing statute.
- (2) A managed health care system shall pay a nonparticipating provider that provides a service covered under this chapter to the system's enrollee no more than the lowest amount paid for that service under the managed health care system's contracts with similar providers in the state.
- (3) Pursuant to federal managed care access standards, 42 C.F.R. Sec. 438, managed health care systems must maintain a network of appropriate providers that is supported by written agreements sufficient to provide adequate access to all services covered under the contract with the authority, including hospital-based physician services. The authority will monitor and periodically report on the proportion of services provided by contracted providers and nonparticipating providers, by county, for each managed health care system to ensure that managed health care systems are meeting network adequacy requirements. No later than January 1st of each year, the authority will review and report its findings to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the legislature for the preceding state fiscal year.
- (4) The plan shall allow, at least annually, an opportunity for enrollees to transfer their enrollments among participating managed health care systems serving their respective areas. The ((administrator)) director shall establish a period of at least twenty days in a given year when this opportunity is afforded enrollees, and in those areas served by more than one participating managed health care system the ((administrator)) director shall endeavor to establish a uniform period for such opportunity. The plan shall allow enrollees to transfer their enrollment to another participating managed health care system at any time upon a showing of good cause for the transfer.
- (5) Prior to negotiating with any managed health care system, the ((administrator)) director shall determine, on an actuarially sound basis, the reasonable cost of providing the schedule of basic health care services, expressed in terms of upper and lower limits, and recognizing variations in the cost of providing the services through the various systems and in different areas of the state.
- (6) In negotiating with managed health care systems for participation in the plan, the ((administrator)) director shall adopt a uniform procedure that includes at least the following:
- (a) The ((administrator)) director shall issue a request for proposals, including standards regarding the quality of services to be provided; financial integrity of the responding systems; and responsiveness to the unmet health care needs of the local communities or populations that may be served;
- (b) The ((administrator)) director shall then review responsive proposals and may negotiate with respondents to the extent necessary to refine any proposals;
- (c) The ((administrator)) director may then select one or more systems to provide the covered services within a local area; and
- (d) The ((administrator)) director may adopt a policy that gives preference to respondents, such as nonprofit community health

- clinics, that have a history of providing quality health care services to low-income persons.
- (7)(a) The ((administrator)) director may contract with a managed health care system to provide covered basic health care services to subsidized enrollees, nonsubsidized enrollees, health coverage tax credit eligible enrollees, or any combination thereof. At a minimum, such contracts issued on or after January 1, 2012, must include:
- (i) Provider reimbursement methods that incentivize chronic care management within health homes;
- (ii) Provider reimbursement methods that reward health homes that, by using chronic care management, reduce emergency department and inpatient use; and
- (iii) Promoting provider participation in the program of training and technical assistance regarding care of people with chronic conditions described in RCW 43.70.533, including allocation of funds to support provider participation in the training unless the managed care system is an integrated health delivery system that has programs in place for chronic care management.
- (b) Health home services contracted for under this subsection may be prioritized to enrollees with complex, high cost, or multiple chronic conditions.
- (c) For the purposes of this subsection, "chronic care management," "chronic condition," and "health home" have the same meaning as in RCW 74.09.010.
- (d) Contracts that include the items in (a)(i) through (iii) of this subsection must not exceed the rates that would be paid in the absence of these provisions.
- (8) The ((administrator)) director may establish procedures and policies to further negotiate and contract with managed health care systems following completion of the request for proposal process in subsection (6) of this section, upon a determination by the ((administrator)) director that it is necessary to provide access, as defined in the request for proposal documents, to covered basic health care services for enrollees.
- (9) ((The administrator may implement a self-funded or self-insured method of providing insurance coverage to subsidized enrollees, as provided under RCW 41.05.140. Prior to implementing a self-funded or self-insured method, the administrator shall ensure that funding available in the basic health plan self-insurance reserve account is sufficient for the self-funded or self-insured risk assumed, or expected to be assumed, by the administrator. If implementing a self-funded or self-insured method, the administrator may request funds to be moved from the basic health plan trust account or the basic health plan subscription account to the basic health plan self-insurance reserve account established in RCW 41.05.140.
- (10))) Subsections (2) and (3) of this section expire July 1, 2016. **Sec. 8.** RCW 70.116.134 and 1991 c 18 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The secretary shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW establishing criteria for designating individuals or water purveyors as qualified satellite system management agencies. The criteria shall set forth minimum standards for designation as a satellite system management agency qualified to assume ownership, operation, or both, of an existing or proposed public water system. The criteria shall include demonstration of financial integrity and operational capability, and may require demonstration of previous experience in successful operation and management of a public water system.
- (2) Each county shall identify potential satellite system management agencies to the secretary for areas where: (a) No purveyor has been designated a future service area pursuant to this chapter, or (b) an existing purveyor is unable or unwilling to provide service. Preference shall be given to public utilities or utility districts or to investor-owned utilities under the jurisdiction of the utilities and transportation commission.

- (3) The secretary shall approve satellite system management agencies meeting the established criteria and shall maintain and make available to counties a list of approved agencies. Prior to the construction of a new public water system, the individual(s) proposing the new system or requesting service shall first be directed by the local agency responsible for issuing the construction or building permit to one or more qualified satellite system management agencies designated for the service area where the new system is proposed for the purpose of exploring the possibility of a satellite agency either owning or operating the proposed new water system.
- (4) Approved satellite system management agencies shall be reviewed periodically by the secretary for continued compliance with established criteria. The secretary may require status reports and other information necessary for such review. Satellite system management agencies shall be subject to reapproval at the discretion of the secretary but not less than once every five years.
- (5) The secretary may assess reasonable fees to process applications for initial approval and for periodic review of satellite system management agencies. ((A satellite system management account is hereby created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from satellite system management agencies or applicants under subsection (4) of this section shall be deposited into the account. Funds in this account may be used only for administration of the satellite system management program. Expenditures from the account shall be authorized by the secretary or the secretary's designee. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for expenditures.))
- (6) For purposes of this section, "satellite system management agency" and "satellite agency" shall mean a person or entity that is certified by the secretary to own or operate more than one public water system on a regional or countywide basis, without the necessity for a physical connection between such systems.
- **Sec. 9.** RCW 82.44.180 and 1999 c 402 s 5 and 1999 c 94 s 31 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

Moneys in the fund may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the fund may be used only for transportation purposes and activities and operations of the Washington state patrol not directly related to the policing of public highways and that are not authorized under Article II, section 40 of the state Constitution.

- (((2) There is hereby created the public transportation systems account within the transportation fund. Moneys deposited into the account under RCW 82.44.150(2) (b) and (c) shall be appropriated to the transportation improvement board and allocated by the transportation improvement board to public transportation projects submitted by the public transportation systems as defined by chapters 36.56, 36.57, and 36.57A RCW and RCW 35.84.060 and 81.112.030, and the Washington state ferry system, solely for:
  - (a) Planning;
  - (b) Development of capital projects;
- (c) Development of high capacity transportation systems as defined in RCW 81.104.015;
- (d) Development of high occupancy vehicle lanes and related facilities as defined in RCW 81.100.020;
- (e) Other public transportation system-related roadway projects
   on state highways, county roads, or city streets;
- (f) Public transportation system contributions required to fund projects under federal programs and those approved by the transportation improvement board from other fund sources; and
- (g) Reimbursement to the general fund of tax credits authorized under RCW 82.04.4453 and 82.16.048, subject to appropriation.))
- **Sec. 10.** RCW 41.05.140 and 2012 c 187 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) Except for property and casualty insurance, the authority may self-fund, self-insure, or enter into other methods of providing insurance coverage for insurance programs under its jurisdiction, including the basic health plan as provided in chapter 70.47 RCW. The authority shall contract for payment of claims or other administrative services for programs under its jurisdiction. If a program does not require the prepayment of reserves, the authority shall establish such reserves within a reasonable period of time for the payment of claims as are normally required for that type of insurance under an insured program. The authority shall endeavor to reimburse basic health plan health care providers under this section at rates similar to the average reimbursement rates offered by the statewide benchmark plan determined through the request for proposal process.
- (2) Reserves established by the authority for employee and retiree benefit programs shall be held in a separate account in the custody of the state treasurer and shall be known as the public employees' and retirees' insurance reserve fund. The state treasurer may invest the moneys in the reserve fund pursuant to RCW 43.79A.040.
- (3) Any savings realized as a result of a program created for employees and retirees under this section shall not be used to increase benefits unless such use is authorized by statute.
- (4) ((Reserves established by the authority to provide insurance coverage for the basic health plan under chapter 70.47 RCW shall be held in a separate trust account in the custody of the state treasurer and shall be known as the basic health plan self-insurance reserve account. The state treasurer may invest the moneys in the reserve fund pursuant to RCW 43.79A.040.
- (5))) Any program created under this section shall be subject to the examination requirements of chapter 48.03 RCW as if the program were a domestic insurer. In conducting an examination, the commissioner shall determine the adequacy of the reserves established for the program.
- (((6))) (5) The authority shall keep full and adequate accounts and records of the assets, obligations, transactions, and affairs of any program created under this section.
- ((<del>(7)</del>)) (<u>6)</u> The authority shall file a quarterly statement of the financial condition, transactions, and affairs of any program created under this section in a form and manner prescribed by the insurance commissioner. The statement shall contain information as required by the commissioner for the type of insurance being offered under the program. A copy of the annual statement shall be filed with the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate.
- $(((\frac{8}{})))$  (7) The provisions of this section do not apply to the administration of chapter 74.09 RCW.
- **Sec. 11.** RCW 82.45.180 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 26 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) For taxes collected by the county under this chapter, the county treasurer shall collect a five dollar fee on all transactions required by this chapter where the transaction does not require the payment of tax. A total of five dollars shall be collected in the form of a tax and fee, where the calculated tax payment is less than five dollars. Through June 30, 2006, the county treasurer shall place one percent of the taxes collected by the county under this chapter and the treasurer's fee in the county current expense fund to defray costs of collection. After June 30, 2006, the county treasurer shall place one and three-tenths percent of the taxes collected by the county under this chapter and the treasurer's fee in the county current expense fund to defray costs of collection. For taxes collected by the county under this chapter before July 1, 2006, the county treasurer shall pay over to the state treasurer and account to the department of revenue for the proceeds at the same time the county treasurer remits funds to the state under RCW 84.56.280. For taxes collected by the county under this chapter after June 30, 2006, on a monthly basis the county treasurer shall pay over to the state treasurer the month's transmittal. The month's transmittal must be received by the state treasurer by 12:00 p.m. on the last working day of each month. The county

treasurer shall account to the department for the month's transmittal by the twentieth day of the month following the month in which the month's transmittal was paid over to the state treasurer. The state treasurer shall deposit the proceeds in the general fund.

- (b) For purposes of this subsection, the definitions in this subsection apply.
- (i) "Close of business" means the time when the county treasurer makes his or her daily deposit of proceeds.
- (ii) "Month's transmittal" means all proceeds deposited by the county through the close of business of the day that is two working days before the last working day of the month. This definition of "month's transmittal" shall not be construed as requiring any change in a county's practices regarding the timing of its daily deposits of proceeds.
- (iii) "Proceeds" means moneys collected and receipted by the county from the taxes imposed by this chapter, less the county's share of the proceeds used to defray the county's costs of collection allowable in (a) of this subsection.
- (iv) "Working day" means a calendar day, except Saturdays, Sundays, and all legal holidays as provided in RCW 1.16.050.
- (2) For taxes collected by the department of revenue under this chapter, the department shall remit the tax to the state treasurer who shall deposit the proceeds of any state tax in the general fund. The state treasurer shall deposit the proceeds of any local taxes imposed under chapter 82.46 RCW in the local real estate excise tax account hereby created in the state treasury. Moneys in the local real estate excise tax account may be spent only for distribution to counties, cities, and towns imposing a tax under chapter 82.46 RCW. Except as provided in RCW 43.08.190, all earnings of investments of balances in the local real estate excise tax account shall be credited to the local real estate excise tax account and distributed to the counties, cities, and towns monthly. Monthly the state treasurer shall make distribution from the local real estate excise tax account to the counties, cities, and towns the amount of tax collected on behalf of each taxing authority. The state treasurer shall make the distribution under this subsection without appropriation.
- (3)(a) ((The real estate excise tax electronic technology account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. An appropriation is not required for expenditures and the account is not subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW.
- (b))) Through June 30, 2010, the county treasurer shall collect an additional five dollar fee on all transactions required by this chapter, regardless of whether the transaction requires the payment of tax. The county treasurer shall remit this fee to the state treasurer at the same time the county treasurer remits funds to the state under subsection (1) of this section. The state treasurer shall place money from this fee in the ((real estate excise tax electronic technology account)) general fund. By the twentieth day of the subsequent month, the state treasurer shall distribute to each county treasurer according to the following formula: Three-quarters of the funds available shall be equally distributed among the thirty-nine counties; and the balance shall be ratably distributed among the counties in direct proportion to their population as it relates to the total state's population based on most recent statistics by the office of financial management.
- (((e))) (b) When received by the county treasurer, the funds shall be placed in a special real estate excise tax electronic technology fund held by the county treasurer to be used exclusively for the development, implementation, and maintenance of an electronic processing and reporting system for real estate excise tax affidavits. Funds may be expended to make the system compatible with the automated real estate excise tax system developed by the department and compatible with the processes used in the offices of the county assessor and county auditor. Any funds held in the account that are not expended by the earlier of: July 1, 2015, or at such time that the county treasurer is utilizing an electronic processing and reporting

- system for real estate excise tax affidavits compatible with the department and compatible with the processes used in the offices of the county assessor and county auditor, revert to the special real estate and property tax administration assistance account in accordance with subsection (5)(c) of this section.
- (4) Beginning July 1, 2010, through December 31, 2013, the county treasurer shall continue to collect the additional five dollar fee in subsection (3) of this section on all transactions required by this chapter, regardless of whether the transaction requires the payment of tax. During this period, the county treasurer shall remit this fee to the state treasurer at the same time the county treasurer remits funds to the state under subsection (1) of this section. The state treasurer shall place money from this fee in the annual property revaluation grant account created in RCW 84.41.170.
- (5)(a) The real estate and property tax administration assistance account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. An appropriation is not required for expenditures and the account is not subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW.
- (b) Beginning January 1, 2014, the county treasurer must continue to collect the additional five dollar fee in subsection (3) of this section on all transactions required by this chapter, regardless of whether the transaction requires the payment of tax. The county treasurer shall deposit one-half of this fee in the special real estate and property tax administration assistance account in accordance with (c) of this subsection and remit the balance to the state treasurer at the same time the county treasurer remits funds to the state under subsection (1) of this section. The state treasurer must place money from this fee in the real estate and property tax administration assistance account. By the twentieth day of the subsequent month, the state treasurer must distribute the funds to each county treasurer according to the following formula: One-half of the funds available must be equally distributed among the thirty-nine counties; and the balance must be ratably distributed among the counties in direct proportion to their population as it relates to the total state's population based on most recent statistics by the office of financial management.
- (c) When received by the county treasurer, the funds must be placed in a special real estate and property tax administration assistance account held by the county treasurer to be used for:
- (i) Maintenance and operation of an annual revaluation system for property tax valuation; and
- (ii) Maintenance and operation of an electronic processing and reporting system for real estate excise tax affidavits.
- **Sec. 12.** RCW 70.122.130 and 2006 c 108 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The department of health shall establish and maintain a statewide health care declarations registry containing the health care declarations identified in subsection (2) of this section as submitted by residents of Washington. The department shall digitally reproduce and store health care declarations in the registry. The department may establish standards for individuals to submit digitally reproduced health care declarations directly to the registry, but is not required to review the health care declarations that it receives to ensure they comply with the particular statutory requirements applicable to the document. The department may contract with an organization that meets the standards identified in this section.
- (2)(a) An individual may submit any of the following health care declarations to the department of health to be digitally reproduced and stored in the registry:
  - (i) A directive, as defined by this chapter;
- (ii) A durable power of attorney for health care, as authorized in chapter 11.94 RCW;
- (iii) A mental health advance directive, as defined by chapter 71.32 RCW; or
- (iv) A form adopted pursuant to the department of health's authority in RCW 43.70.480.

- (b) Failure to submit a health care declaration to the department of health does not affect the validity of the declaration.
- (c) Failure to notify the department of health of a valid revocation of a health care declaration does not affect the validity of the revocation.
- (d) The entry of a health care directive in the registry under this section does not:
  - (i) Affect the validity of the document;
- (ii) Take the place of any requirements in law necessary to make the submitted document legal; or
  - (iii) Create a presumption regarding the validity of the document.
- (3) The department of health shall prescribe a procedure for an individual to revoke a health care declaration contained in the registry.
  - (4) The registry must:
- (a) Be maintained in a secure database that is accessible through a web site maintained by the department of health;
- (b) Send annual electronic messages to individuals that have submitted health care declarations to request that they review the registry materials to ensure that it is current;
- (c) Provide individuals who have submitted one or more health care declarations with access to their documents and the ability to revoke their documents at all times; and
- (d) Provide the personal representatives of individuals who have submitted one or more health care declarations to the registry, attending physicians, advanced registered nurse practitioners, health care providers licensed by a disciplining authority identified in RCW 18.130.040 who is acting under the direction of a physician or an advanced registered nurse practitioner, and health care facilities, as defined in this chapter or in chapter 71.32 RCW, access to the registry at all times
- (5) In designing the registry and web site, the department of health shall ensure compliance with state and federal requirements related to patient confidentiality.
- (6) The department shall provide information to health care providers and health care facilities on the registry web site regarding the different federal and Washington state requirements to ascertain and document whether a patient has an advance directive.
- (7) The department of health may accept donations, grants, gifts, or other forms of voluntary contributions to support activities related to the creation and maintenance of the health care declarations registry and statewide public education campaigns related to the existence of the registry. ((All funds received shall be transferred to the health care declarations registry account, created in RCW 70.122.140.)) All receipts from donations made under this section, and other contributions and appropriations specifically made for the purposes of creating and maintaining the registry established under this section and statewide public education campaigns related to the existence of the registry, shall be deposited into the general fund. These moneys in the general fund may be spent only after appropriation.
- (8) The department of health may adopt rules as necessary to implement chapter 108, Laws of 2006.
- (9) By December 1, 2008, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on health care the following information:
  - (a) Number of participants in the registry;
- (b) Number of health care declarations submitted by type of declaration as defined in this section;
- (c) Number of health care declarations revoked and the method of revocation:
- (d) Number of providers and facilities, by type, that have been provided access to the registry;
  - (e) Actual costs of operation of the registry((;
  - (f) Donations received by the department for deposit into the

health care declarations registry account, created in RCW 70.122.140 by type of donor)).

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 13.** The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:

- (1) RCW 43.19.730 (Public printing revolving account) and 2011 1st sp.s. c 43 s 307;
- (2) RCW 43.70.325 (Rural health access account) and 1992 c 120 s 1  $\cdot$
- (3) RCW 43.338.030 (Manufacturing innovation and modernization account) and 2008 c 315 s 5;
- (4) RCW 46.68.210 (Puyallup tribal settlement account) and 1991 sp.s. c 13 s 104 & 1990 c 42 s 411;
- (5) RCW 46.68.330 (Freight congestion relief account) and 2007 c 514 s 2;
- (6) RCW 70.122.140 (Health care declarations registry account) and 2006 c  $108\ s$  3; and
  - (7) 2006 c 372 s 715 (uncodified).

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 14.** The office of the state treasurer, the office of financial management, and the code reviser shall review state statutes relating to state capital construction funds and accounts and bond authorizations and submit to the appropriate fiscal committees of the 2015 legislature recommended legislation for the amendment, repeal, or decodification of those statutes that are inactive, obsolete, or no longer necessary for continued publication in the Revised Code of Washington.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 15.** Section 3 of this act expires if the requirements set out in section 7, chapter 36, Laws of 2012 are met.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 16.** Section 4 of this act takes effect if the requirements set out in section 7, chapter 36, Laws of 2012 are met.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 17. Any residual balance of funds remaining in the public printing revolving account repealed by section 13 of this act on the effective date of this section shall be transferred to the enterprise services account. Any residual balance of funds remaining in the Puyallup tribal settlement account repealed by section 13 of this act on the effective date of this section shall be transferred to the motor vehicle fund. Any residual balance of funds remaining in any other account abolished in this act on June 30, 2013, shall be transferred by the state treasurer to the state general fund.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 18.** Except for section 4 of this act, 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 June 30, 2013."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Hunter, Chair; Ormsby, Vice Chair; Alexander, Ranking Minority Member; Chandler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Wilcox, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Buys; Cody; Dahlquist; Dunshee; Fagan; Green; Haigh; Haler; Harris; Hudgins; Hunt; Jinkins; Kagi; Maxwell; Morrell; Parker; Pedersen; Pettigrew; Pike; Ross; Schmick; Seaquist; Springer; Sullivan and Taylor.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

ESB 5305

Prime Sponsor, Senator Becker: Requiring hospitals to report when providing treatment for bullet wounds, gunshot wounds, and stab wounds to all patients. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Riccelli; Rodne; Short and Tharinger.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Hope, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Green; Morrell; Ross and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

SSB 5315

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Human Services & Corrections: Implementing the recommendations made by the Powell fatality team. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 13.34.130 and 2011 c 309 s 27 and 2011 c 292 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

If, after a fact-finding hearing pursuant to RCW 13.34.110, it has been proven by a preponderance of the evidence that the child is dependent within the meaning of RCW 13.34.030 after consideration of the social study prepared pursuant to RCW 13.34.110 and after a disposition hearing has been held pursuant to RCW 13.34.110, the court shall enter an order of disposition pursuant to this section.

- (1) The court shall order one of the following dispositions of the case:
- (a) Order a disposition that maintains the child in his or her home, which shall provide a program designed to alleviate the immediate danger to the child, to mitigate or cure any damage the child has already suffered, and to aid the parents so that the child will not be endangered in the future. In determining the disposition, the court should choose services to assist the parents in maintaining the child in the home, including housing assistance, if appropriate, that least interfere with family autonomy and are adequate to protect the child.
- (b)(i) Order the child to be removed from his or her home and into the custody, control, and care of a relative or other suitable person, the department, or a supervising agency for supervision of the child's placement. If the court orders that the child be placed with a caregiver over the objections of the parent or the department, the court shall articulate, on the record, his or her reasons for ordering the placement. The court may not order an Indian child, as defined in RCW 13.38.040, to be removed from his or her home unless the court finds, by clear and convincing evidence including testimony of qualified expert witnesses, that the continued custody of the child by the parent or Indian custodian is likely to result in serious emotional or physical damage to the child.
- (ii) The department or supervising agency has the authority to place the child, subject to review and approval by the court (A) with a relative as defined in RCW 74.15.020(2)(a), (B) in the home of another suitable person if the child or family has a preexisting relationship with that person, and the person has completed all required criminal history background checks and otherwise appears to the department or supervising agency to be suitable and competent to provide care for the child, or (C) in a foster family home or group care facility licensed pursuant to chapter 74.15 RCW.
- (iii) The department may also consider placing the child, subject to review and approval by the court, with a person with whom the child's sibling or half-sibling is residing or a person who has adopted the sibling or half-sibling of the child being placed as long as the person has completed all required criminal history background checks and otherwise appears to the department or supervising agency to be competent to provide care for the child.
- (2) Absent good cause, the department or supervising agency shall follow the wishes of the natural parent regarding the placement of the child in accordance with RCW 13.34.260.

- (3) The department or supervising agency may only place a child with a person not related to the child as defined in RCW 74.15.020(2)(a), including a placement provided for in subsection (1)(b)(iii) of this section, when the court finds that such placement is in the best interest of the child. Unless there is reasonable cause to believe that the health, safety, or welfare of the child would be jeopardized or that efforts to reunite the parent and child will be hindered, the child shall be placed with a person who is willing, appropriate, and available to care for the child, and who is: (I) Related to the child as defined in RCW 74.15.020(2)(a) with whom the child has a relationship and is comfortable; or (II) a suitable person as described in subsection (1)(b) of this section. The court shall consider the child's existing relationships and attachments when determining placement.
- (4) When placing an Indian child in out-of-home care, the department or supervising agency shall follow the placement preference characteristics in RCW 13.38.180.
- (5) Placement of the child with a relative or other suitable person as described in subsection (1)(b) of this section shall be given preference by the court. An order for out-of-home placement may be made only if the court finds that reasonable efforts have been made to prevent or eliminate the need for removal of the child from the child's home and to make it possible for the child to return home, specifying the services, including housing assistance, that have been provided to the child and the child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian, and that preventive services have been offered or provided and have failed to prevent the need for out-of-home placement, unless the health, safety, and welfare of the child cannot be protected adequately in the home, and that:
  - (a) There is no parent or guardian available to care for such child;
- (b) The parent, guardian, or legal custodian is not willing to take custody of the child; or
- (c) The court finds, by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence, a manifest danger exists that the child will suffer serious abuse or neglect if the child is not removed from the home and an order under RCW 26.44.063 would not protect the child from danger.
- (6) If the court has ordered a child removed from his or her home pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of this section, the court shall consider whether it is in a child's best interest to be placed with, have contact with, or have visits with siblings.
- (a) There shall be a presumption that such placement, contact, or visits are in the best interests of the child provided that:
- (i) The court has jurisdiction over all siblings subject to the order of placement, contact, or visitation pursuant to petitions filed under this chapter or the parents of a child for whom there is no jurisdiction are willing to agree; and
- (ii) There is no reasonable cause to believe that the health, safety, or welfare of any child subject to the order of placement, contact, or visitation would be jeopardized or that efforts to reunite the parent and child would be hindered by such placement, contact, or visitation. In no event shall parental visitation time be reduced in order to provide sibling visitation.
- (b) The court may also order placement, contact, or visitation of a child with a stepbrother or stepsister provided that in addition to the factors in (a) of this subsection, the child has a relationship and is comfortable with the stepsibling.
- (7) If the court has ordered a child removed from his or her home pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of this section and placed into nonparental or nonrelative care, the court shall order a placement that allows the child to remain in the same school he or she attended prior to the initiation of the dependency proceeding when such a placement is practical and in the child's best interest.
- (8) If the court has ordered a child removed from his or her home pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of this section, the court may order that a petition seeking termination of the parent and child relationship be filed if the requirements of RCW 13.34.132 are met.

- (9) If there is insufficient information at the time of the disposition hearing upon which to base a determination regarding the suitability of a proposed placement with a relative or other suitable person, the child shall remain in foster care and the court shall direct the department or supervising agency to conduct necessary background investigations as provided in chapter 74.15 RCW and report the results of such investigation to the court within thirty days. However, if such relative or other person appears otherwise suitable and competent to provide care and treatment, the criminal history background check need not be completed before placement, but as soon as possible after placement. Any placements with relatives or other suitable persons, pursuant to this section, shall be contingent upon cooperation by the relative or other suitable person with the agency case plan and compliance with court orders related to the care and supervision of the child including, but not limited to, court orders regarding parent-child contacts, sibling contacts, and any other conditions imposed by the court. Noncompliance with the case plan or court order shall be grounds for removal of the child from the relative's or other suitable person's home, subject to review by the
- **Sec. 2.** RCW 13.34.136 and 2011 c 309 s 29 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Whenever a child is ordered removed from the home, a permanency plan shall be developed no later than sixty days from the time the supervising agency assumes responsibility for providing services, including placing the child, or at the time of a hearing under RCW 13.34.130, whichever occurs first. The permanency planning process continues until a permanency planning goal is achieved or dependency is dismissed. The planning process shall include reasonable efforts to return the child to the parent's home.
- (2) The agency supervising the dependency shall submit a written permanency plan to all parties and the court not less than fourteen days prior to the scheduled hearing. Responsive reports of parties not in agreement with the department's or supervising agency's proposed permanency plan must be provided to the department or supervising agency, all other parties, and the court at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The permanency plan shall include:

- (a) A permanency plan of care that shall identify one of the following outcomes as a primary goal and may identify additional outcomes as alternative goals: Return of the child to the home of the child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian; adoption, including a tribal customary adoption as defined in RCW 13.38.040; guardianship; permanent legal custody; long-term relative or foster care, until the child is age eighteen, with a written agreement between the parties and the care provider; successful completion of a responsible living skills program; or independent living, if appropriate and if the child is age sixteen or older. The department or supervising agency shall not discharge a child to an independent living situation before the child is eighteen years of age unless the child becomes emancipated pursuant to chapter 13.64 RCW;
- (b) Unless the court has ordered, pursuant to RCW 13.34.130(((6))) (8), that a termination petition be filed, a specific plan as to where the child will be placed, what steps will be taken to return the child home, what steps the supervising agency or the department will take to promote existing appropriate sibling relationships and/or facilitate placement together or contact in accordance with the best interests of each child, and what actions the department or supervising agency will take to maintain parent-child ties. All aspects of the plan shall include the goal of achieving permanence for the child.
- (i) The department's or supervising agency's plan shall specify what services the parents will be offered to enable them to resume custody, what requirements the parents must meet to resume custody, and a time limit for each service plan and parental requirement.

- (ii)(A) Visitation is the right of the family, including the child and the parent, in cases in which visitation is in the best interest of the child. Early, consistent, and frequent visitation is crucial for maintaining parent-child relationships and making it possible for parents and children to safely reunify. The supervising agency or department shall encourage the maximum parent and child and sibling contact possible, when it is in the best interest of the child, including regular visitation and participation by the parents in the care of the child while the child is in placement.
- (B) Visitation shall not be limited as a sanction for a parent's failure to comply with court orders or services where the health, safety, or welfare of the child is not at risk as a result of the visitation.
- (C) Visitation may be limited or denied only if the court determines that such limitation or denial is necessary to protect the child's health, safety, or welfare. When a parent or sibling has been identified as a suspect in an active criminal investigation for a violent crime that, if the allegations are true, would impact the safety of the child, the department shall make a concerted effort to consult with the assigned law enforcement officer in the criminal case before recommending any changes in parent/child or child/sibling contact. In the event that the law enforcement officer has information pertaining to the criminal case that may have serious implications for child safety or well-being, the law enforcement officer shall provide this information to the department during the consultation. The department may only use the information provided by law enforcement during the consultation to inform family visitation plans and may not share or otherwise distribute the information to any person or entity. Any information provided to the department by law enforcement during the consultation is considered investigative information and is exempt from public inspection pursuant to RCW 42.56.240. The results of the consultation shall be communicated to the court.
- (D) The court and the department or supervising agency should rely upon community resources, relatives, foster parents, and other appropriate persons to provide transportation and supervision for visitation to the extent that such resources are available, and appropriate, and the child's safety would not be compromised.
- (iii) A child shall be placed as close to the child's home as possible, preferably in the child's own neighborhood, unless the court finds that placement at a greater distance is necessary to promote the child's or parents' well-being.
- (iv) The plan shall state whether both in-state and, where appropriate, out-of-state placement options have been considered by the department or supervising agency.
- (v) Unless it is not in the best interests of the child, whenever practical, the plan should ensure the child remains enrolled in the school the child was attending at the time the child entered foster care.
- (vi) The supervising agency or department shall provide all reasonable services that are available within the department or supervising agency, or within the community, or those services which the department has existing contracts to purchase. It shall report to the court if it is unable to provide such services; and
- (c) If the court has ordered, pursuant to RCW 13.34.130(((6))) (8), that a termination petition be filed, a specific plan as to where the child will be placed, what steps will be taken to achieve permanency for the child, services to be offered or provided to the child, and, if visitation would be in the best interests of the child, a recommendation to the court regarding visitation between parent and child pending a fact-finding hearing on the termination petition. The department or supervising agency shall not be required to develop a plan of services for the parents or provide services to the parents if the court orders a termination petition be filed. However, reasonable efforts to ensure visitation and contact between siblings shall be made unless there is reasonable cause to believe the best interests of the child or siblings would be jeopardized.
- (3) Permanency planning goals should be achieved at the earliest possible date. If the child has been in out-of-home care for fifteen of

the most recent twenty-two months, the court shall require the department or supervising agency to file a petition seeking termination of parental rights in accordance with RCW 13.34.145(3)(b)(vi). In cases where parental rights have been terminated, the child is legally free for adoption, and adoption has been identified as the primary permanency planning goal, it shall be a goal to complete the adoption within six months following entry of the termination order.

- (4) If the court determines that the continuation of reasonable efforts to prevent or eliminate the need to remove the child from his or her home or to safely return the child home should not be part of the permanency plan of care for the child, reasonable efforts shall be made to place the child in a timely manner and to complete whatever steps are necessary to finalize the permanent placement of the child.
- (5) The identified outcomes and goals of the permanency plan may change over time based upon the circumstances of the particular case.
- (6) The court shall consider the child's relationships with the child's siblings in accordance with RCW 13.34.130(((4))) (6). Whenever the permanency plan for a child is adoption, the court shall encourage the prospective adoptive parents, birth parents, foster parents, kinship caregivers, and the department or other supervising agency to seriously consider the long-term benefits to the child adoptee and his or her siblings of providing for and facilitating continuing postadoption contact between the siblings. To the extent that it is feasible, and when it is in the best interests of the child adoptee and his or her siblings, contact between the siblings should be frequent and of a similar nature as that which existed prior to the adoption. If the child adoptee or his or her siblings are represented by an attorney or guardian ad litem in a proceeding under this chapter or in any other child custody proceeding, the court shall inquire of each attorney and guardian ad litem regarding the potential benefits of continuing contact between the siblings and the potential detriments of severing contact. This section does not require the department of social and health services or other supervising agency to agree to any specific provisions in an open adoption agreement and does not create a new obligation for the department to provide supervision or transportation for visits between siblings separated by adoption from foster care.
  - (7) For purposes related to permanency planning:
- (a) "Guardianship" means a dependency guardianship or a legal guardianship pursuant to chapter 11.88 RCW or equivalent laws of another state or a federally recognized Indian tribe.
- (b) "Permanent custody order" means a custody order entered pursuant to chapter 26.10 RCW.
- (c) "Permanent legal custody" means legal custody pursuant to chapter 26.10 RCW or equivalent laws of another state or a federally recognized Indian tribe.
- **Sec. 3.** RCW 13.34.380 and 2009 c 520 s 45 are each amended to read as follows:

The department shall develop consistent policies and protocols, based on current relevant research, concerning visitation for dependent children to be implemented consistently throughout the state. The department shall develop the policies and protocols in consultation with researchers in the field, community-based agencies, court-appointed special advocates, parents' representatives, and court representatives. The policies and protocols shall include, but not be limited to: The structure and quality of visitations; consultation with the assigned law enforcement officer in the event the parent or sibling of the child is identified as a suspect in an active criminal investigation for a violent crime that, if the allegations are true, would impact the safety of the child; and training for department and supervising agency caseworkers, visitation supervisors, and foster parents related to visitation.

The policies and protocols shall be consistent with the provisions of this chapter and implementation of the policies and protocols shall be consistent with relevant orders of the court.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 13.34 RCW to read as follows:

In the event a judge orders a parent to undergo a psychosexual evaluation, and pending the outcome of the evaluation, the department, subject to the approval of the court, may reassess visitation duration, supervision, and location, if appropriate. If the assessment indicates the current visitation plan is contrary to the child's health, safety, or welfare, the department, subject to approval by the court, may alter the visitation plan pending the outcome of the investigation.

- **Sec. 5.** RCW 74.14B.010 and 1999 c 389 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Caseworkers employed in children services shall meet minimum standards established by the department of social and health services. Comprehensive training for caseworkers shall be completed before such caseworkers are assigned to case-carrying responsibilities without direct supervision. Intermittent, part-time, and standby workers shall be subject to the same minimum standards and training.
- (2) Ongoing specialized training shall be provided for persons responsible for investigating child sexual abuse. Training participants shall have the opportunity to practice interview skills and receive feedback from instructors.
- (3) The department, the criminal justice training commission, the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, and the Washington association of prosecuting attorneys shall design and implement statewide training that contains consistent elements for persons engaged in the interviewing of children, including law enforcement, prosecution, and child protective services.
- (4) The training shall: (a) Be based on research-based practices and standards; (b) minimize the trauma of all persons who are interviewed during abuse investigations; (c) provide methods of reducing the number of investigative interviews necessary whenever possible; (d) assure, to the extent possible, that investigative interviews are thorough, objective, and complete; (e) recognize needs of special populations, such as persons with developmental disabilities; (f) recognize the nature and consequences of victimization; (g) require investigative interviews to be conducted in a manner most likely to permit the interviewed persons the maximum emotional comfort under the circumstances; (h) address record retention and retrieval; and (i) documentation of investigative interviews.
- (5) The identification of domestic violence is critical in ensuring the safety of children in the child welfare system. As a result, ongoing domestic violence training and consultation shall be provided to caseworkers, including how to use the children's administration's practice guide to domestic violence."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Kagi, Chair; Freeman, Vice Chair; Walsh, Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; MacEwen; Overstreet; Roberts; Sawyer and Zeiger.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health & Human Services.

March 28, 2013

SSB 5316

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Human Services & Corrections: Adopting a model policy to require a third person to be present during interviews. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Kagi, Chair; Freeman, Vice Chair; Walsh, Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; MacEwen; Overstreet; Roberts; Sawyer and Zeiger.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2013

SB 5344 Prime Sponsor, Senator Mullet: Revising state statutes concerning trusts. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- "Sec. 1. RCW 11.36.010 and 1983 c 51 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), and (4) of this section, the following persons are not qualified to act as personal representatives: Corporations, limited liability companies, limited liability partnerships, minors, persons of unsound mind, or persons who have been convicted of (a) any felony or ((of a misdemeanor)) (b) any crime involving moral turpitude((: PROVIDED, That)).
- (2) Trust companies regularly organized under the laws of this state and national banks when authorized so to do may act as the personal representative of ((decedents' or incompetents' estates)) an individual's estate or of the estate of an incapacitated person upon petition of any person having a right to such appointment and may act as ((executors)) personal representatives or guardians when so appointed by will((: PROVIDED FURTHER, That professional service corporations regularly organized under the laws of this state whose shareholder or shareholders are exclusively attorneys may act as personal representatives)). No trust company or national bank may qualify as such ((executor)) personal representative or guardian under any will hereafter drawn by it or its agents or employees, and no salaried attorney of any such company may be allowed any attorney fee for probating any such will or in relation to the administration or settlement of any such estate, and no part of any attorney fee may inure, directly or indirectly, to the benefit of any trust company or national bank.
- (3) Professional service corporations, professional limited liability companies, or limited liability partnerships, that are duly organized under the laws of this state and whose shareholders, members, or partners, respectively, are exclusively attorneys, may act as personal representatives.
- (4) Any nonprofit corporation may act as personal representative if the articles of incorporation or bylaws of that corporation permit the action and the corporation is in compliance with all applicable provisions of Title 24 RCW.
- (5) When any person to whom letters testamentary or of administration have been issued becomes disqualified to act because of becoming of unsound mind or being convicted of (a) any felony or (b) any crime ((or misdemeanor)) involving moral turpitude, the court having jurisdiction ((shall)) must revoke his or her letters.
- (6) A nonresident may be appointed to act as personal representative if the nonresident appoints an agent who is a resident of the county where such estate is being probated or who is an attorney of record of the estate, upon whom service of all papers may be made; such appointment to be made in writing and filed by the clerk with other papers of such estate; and, unless bond has been waived as provided by RCW 11.28.185, such nonresident personal representative ((shall)) must file a bond to be approved by the court.
- Sec. 2. RCW 11.36.021 and 1991 c 72 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1) The following may serve as trustees:

- (a) Any suitable persons over the age of eighteen years, if not otherwise disqualified;
- (b) Any trust company regularly organized under the laws of this state and national banks when authorized to do so;
- (c) Any nonprofit corporation, if the articles of incorporation or bylaws of that corporation permit the action and <u>if</u> the corporation is in compliance with all applicable provisions of Title 24 RCW;
- (d) Any professional service corporations ((regularly)), professional limited liability companies, or limited liability partnerships, that are duly organized under the laws of this state and whose ((shareholder or)) shareholders, members, or partners, respectively, are exclusively attorneys; ((and))
- (e) Any state or regional college or university, as those institutions are defined in RCW 28B.10.016;
- (f) Any community or technical college, as those institutions are defined in RCW 28B.50.030; and
- (g) Any other entity so authorized under the laws of the state of Washington.
  - (2) The following are disqualified to serve as trustees:
- (a) Minors, persons of unsound mind, or persons who have been convicted of (i) any felony or ((a misdemeanor)) (ii) any crime involving moral turpitude; and
- (b) A corporation organized under Title 23B RCW that is not authorized under the laws of the state of Washington to act as a fiduciary.
- **Sec. 3.** RCW 11.96A.050 and 2011 c 327 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1) Venue for proceedings pertaining to trusts ((shall be)) is:
- (a) For testamentary trusts established under wills probated in the state of Washington, in the superior court of the county where the probate of the will is being administered or was completed or, in the alternative, the superior court of the county where any qualified beneficiary of the trust ((entitled to notice under RCW 11.97.010)) as defined in section 8 of this act resides, the county where any trustee resides or has a place of business, or the county where any real property that is an asset of the trust is located; and
- (b) For all other trusts, in the superior court of the county where any <u>qualified</u> beneficiary of the trust ((entitled to notice under RCW 11.97.010)) as defined in section 8 of this act resides, the county where any trustee resides or has a place of business, or the county where any real property that is an asset of the trust is located. If no county has venue for proceedings pertaining to a trust under the preceding sentence, then in any county.
- (2) A party to a proceeding pertaining to a trust may request that venue be changed. If the request is made within four months of the giving of the first notice of a proceeding pertaining to the trust, except for good cause shown, venue must be moved to the county with the strongest connection to the trust as determined by the court, considering such factors as the residence of a qualified beneficiary of the trust ((entitled to notice under RCW 11.97.010)) as defined in section 8 of this act, the residence or place of business of a trustee, and the location of any real property that is an asset of the trust.
- (3) Venue for proceedings subject to chapter 11.88 or 11.92 RCW ((shall)) must be determined under the provisions of those chapters.
- (4) Venue for proceedings pertaining to the probate of wills, the administration and disposition of a decedent's property, including nonprobate assets, and any other matter not identified in subsection (1), (2), or (3) of this section, ((shall)) must be in any county in the state of Washington that the petitioner selects. A party to a proceeding may request that venue be changed if the request is made within four months of the mailing of the notice of appointment and pendency of probate required by RCW 11.28.237, and except for good cause shown, venue must be moved as follows:
- (a) If the decedent was a resident of the state of Washington at the time of death, to the county of the decedent's residence; or

- (b) If the decedent was not a resident of the state of Washington at the time of death, to any of the following:
  - (i) Any county in which any part of the probate estate might be;
- (ii) If there are no probate assets, any county where any nonprobate asset might be; or
  - (iii) The county in which the decedent died.
- (5) Once letters testamentary or of administration have been granted in the state of Washington, all orders, settlements, trials, and other proceedings under this title ((shall)) <u>must</u> be had or made in the county in which such letters have been granted unless venue is moved as provided in subsection (4) of this section.
- (6) Venue for proceedings pertaining to powers of attorney ((shall)) <u>must</u> be in the superior court of the county of the principal's residence, except for good cause shown.
- (7) If venue is moved, an action taken before venue is changed is not invalid because of the venue.
- (8) Any request to change venue that is made more than four months after the commencement of the action may be granted in the discretion of the court.
- **Sec. 4.** RCW 11.96A.070 and 2011 c 327 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) A beneficiary of an express trust may not commence a proceeding against a trustee for breach of trust more than three years after the date <u>a report was delivered in the manner provided in RCW 11.96A.110 to</u> the beneficiary or <u>to</u> a representative of the beneficiary ((<del>was sent a report that</del>)) if the report adequately disclosed the existence of a potential claim for breach of trust and informed the beneficiary of the time allowed for commencing a proceeding.
- (b) A report adequately discloses the existence of a potential claim for breach of trust if it provides sufficient information so that the beneficiary or representative knows or should have known of the potential claim ((or should have inquired into its existence)). A report that includes ((the following information)) all of the items described in this subsection (b) that are relevant for the reporting period is presumed to have provided such sufficient information regarding the existence of potential claims for breach of trust for such period:
- (i) A statement of receipts and disbursements of principal and income that have occurred during the accounting period;
- (ii) A statement of the assets and liabilities of the trust and their values at the beginning and end of the period;
  - (iii) The trustee's compensation for the period;
- (iv) The agents hired by the trustee, their relationship to the trustee, if any, and their compensation, for the period;
- (v) Disclosure of any pledge, mortgage, option, or lease of trust property, or other agreement affecting trust property binding for a period of five years or more that was granted or entered into during the accounting period;
- (vi) Disclosure of all transactions during the period that are equivalent to one of the types of transactions described in RCW 11.98.078 or otherwise could have been affected by a conflict between the trustee's fiduciary and personal interests;
- (vii) A statement that the recipient of the account information may petition the superior court pursuant to chapter 11.106 RCW to obtain review of the statement and of acts of the trustee disclosed in the statement; and
- (viii) A statement that claims against the trustee for breach of trust may not be made after the expiration of three years from the date the ((beneficiary receives the statement)) trustee delivers the report in the manner provided in RCW 11.96A.110.
- (c) If (a) of this subsection does not apply, a judicial proceeding by a beneficiary against a trustee for breach of trust must be commenced within three years after the first to occur of:
  - (i) The removal, resignation, or death of the trustee;
  - (ii) The termination of the beneficiary's interest in the trust; or
  - (iii) The termination of the trust.

- (d) For purposes of this section, "express trust" does not include resulting trusts, constructive trusts, business trusts in which certificates of beneficial interest are issued to the beneficiary, investment trusts, voting trusts, trusts in the nature of mortgages or pledges, liquidation trusts, or trusts for the sole purpose of paying dividends, interest, interest coupons, salaries, wages, pensions, or profits, trusts created in deposits in any financial institution under chapter 30.22 RCW, unless any such trust that is created in writing specifically incorporates this chapter in whole or in part.
- (2) Except as provided in RCW 11.96A.250 with respect to special representatives, an action against a personal representative for alleged breach of fiduciary duty by an heir, legatee, or other interested party must be brought before discharge of the personal representative.
- (3) The legislature hereby confirms the long standing public policy of promoting the prompt and efficient resolution of matters involving trusts and estates. To further implement this policy, the legislature adopts the following statutory provisions in order to:
- (a) Encourage and facilitate the participation of qualified individuals as special representatives;
- (b) Serve the public's interest in having a prompt and efficient resolution of matters involving trusts or estates; and
- (c) Promote complete and final resolution of proceedings involving trusts and estates.
- (i) Actions against a special representative must be brought before the earlier of:
- (A) Three years from the discharge of the special representative as provided in RCW 11.96A.250; or
- (B) The entry of an order by a court of competent jurisdiction under RCW 11.96A.240 approving the written agreement executed by all interested parties in accord with the provisions of RCW 11.96A.220.
- (ii) If a legal action is commenced against the special representative after the expiration of the period during which claims may be brought against the special representative as provided in (c)(i) of this subsection, alleging property damage, property loss, or other civil liability caused by or resulting from an alleged act or omission of the special representative arising out of or by reason of the special representative's duties or actions as special representative, the special representative ((shall)) must be indemnified: (A) From the assets held in the trust or comprising the estate involved in the dispute; and (B) by the persons bringing the legal action, for all expenses, attorneys' fees, judgments, settlements, decrees, or amounts due and owing or paid in satisfaction of or incurred in the defense of the legal action. To the extent possible, indemnification must be made first by the persons bringing the legal action, second from that portion of the trust or estate that is held for the benefit of, or has been distributed or applied to, the persons bringing the legal action, and third from the other assets held in the trust or comprising the estate involved in the dispute.
- (4) The tolling provisions of RCW 4.16.190 apply to this chapter except that the running of a statute of limitations under subsection (1) or (2) of this section, or any other applicable statute of limitations for any matter that is the subject of dispute under this chapter, is not tolled as to an individual who had a guardian ad litem, limited or general guardian of the estate, or a special representative to represent the person during the probate or dispute resolution proceeding.
- Sec. 5. RCW 11.96A.120 and 2011 c 327 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) ((With respect to a particular matter that affects a trust, probate estate, guardianship estate, or property subject to a power of attorney, in which the interests of such fiduciary estate and the beneficiaries are not in conflict:)) Notice to a person who may represent and bind another person under this section has the same effect as if notice were given directly to the other person.
- (2) The consent of a person who may represent and bind another person under this section is binding on the person represented unless

- the person represented objects to the representation before the consent would otherwise have become effective.

  (3) The following limitations on the ability to serve as a virtual representative apply:
- (a) A trustor may not represent and bind a beneficiary under this section with respect to the termination and modification of an irrevocable trust; and
- (b) Representation of an incapacitated trustor with respect to his or her powers over a trust is subject to the provisions of RCW 11.103.030, and chapters 11.96A, 11.88, and 11.92 RCW.
- (4) To the extent there is no conflict of interest between the representative and the person represented or among those being represented with respect to the particular question or dispute:
- (a) A guardian may represent and bind the estate that the guardian controls, subject to chapters 11.96A, 11.88, and 11.92 RCW;
- (b) A guardian of the person may represent and bind the incapacitated person if a guardian of the incapacitated person's estate has not been appointed;
- (c) An agent having authority to act with respect to the particular question or dispute may represent and bind the principal;
- (((e))) (d) A trustee may represent and bind the beneficiaries of the trust; ((and)
- (d))) (e) A personal representative of a decedent's estate may represent and bind persons interested in the estate(( (2) This section is intended to adopt the common law concept of virtual representation. This section supplements the common law
- relating to the doctrine of virtual representation and shall not be construed as limiting the application of that common law doctrine.

  (3) Any notice requirement in this title is satisfied if:
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  and
- (f) A parent may represent and bind the parent's minor or unborn child or children if a guardian for the child or children has not been appointed.
- (5) Unless otherwise represented, a minor, incapacitated, or unborn individual, or a person whose identity or location is unknown and not reasonably ascertainable, may be represented by and bound by another having a substantially identical interest with respect to the particular question or dispute, but only to the extent there is no conflict of interest between the representative and the person represented with regard to the particular question or dispute.
- (6) Where an interest ((in an estate, trust, or nonprobate asset or an interest that may be affected by a power of attorney)) has been given to persons who comprise a certain class upon the happening of a certain event, ((notice may be given to the living persons who would constitute the class if the event had happened immediately before the commencement of the proceeding requiring notice, and the persons shall virtually represent all other members of the class;

  (b)) the living persons who would constitute the class as of the
- (b))) the living persons who would constitute the class as of the date the representation is to be determined may virtually represent all other members of the class as of that date, but only to the extent that there is no conflict of interest between the representative and the person(s) represented with regard to the particular question or dispute.
- (7) Where an interest ((in an estate, trust, or nonprobate asset or an interest that may be affected by a power of attorney)) has been given to a living person, and the same interest, or a share in it, is to pass to the surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner or to persons who are, or might be, the ((distributees,)) heirs, issue, or other kindred of that living person ((upon the happening of a future event, notice may be given to that living person, and the living person shall virtually represent the surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner, distributees, heirs, issue, or other kindred of the person;

  (e))) or the distributees of the estate of that living person upon the happening of a future event, that living person may virtually represent the surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner, heirs, issue, or

other kindred of the person, and the distributees of the estate of the

person, but only to the extent that there is no conflict of interest

- between the representative and the person(s) represented with regard the particular question or (8) Except as otherwise provided in ((this)) subsection (7) of this section, where an interest ((in an estate, trust, or nonprobate asset or an interest that may be affected by a power of attorney)) has been given to a person or a class of persons, or both, upon the happening of any future event, and the same interest or a share of the interest is to pass to another person or class of persons, or both, upon the happening of an additional future event, ((notice may be given to)) the living person or persons who would take the interest upon the happening of the first event((, and the living person or persons shall)) may virtually represent the persons and classes of persons who might take on the happening of the additional future event((; and (d) The holder of a general power of appointment, exercisable either during the power holder's life or by will, or a limited power of appointment, exercisable either during the power holder's life or by will, that excludes as possible appointees only the power holder, his or her estate, his or her creditors, and the creditors of his or her estate, may accept notice and virtually represent and bind persons whose interests, as permissible appointees, takers in default, or otherwise, are subject to the power, to the extent there is no conflict of interest between the holder of the power of appointment and the persons represented with respect to the particular question or dispute. (4) A party is not virtually represented by a person receiving notice if a conflict of interest involving the matter is known to exist between the notified person and the party)), but only to the extent that there is no conflict of interest between the representative and the person(s) represented with regard to the particular question or dispute.
- (((5))) (9) To the extent there is no conflict of interest between the holder of the power of appointment and the persons represented with respect to the particular question or dispute, the holder of a lifetime or testamentary power of appointment may virtually represent and bind persons who are permissible appointees or takers in default (but only to the extent that they are permissible appointees in the case of a limited power of appointment) under the power, and who are not permissible distributees as defined in section 8 of this act.
- (10) The attorney general may virtually represent and bind a charitable organization if:
- (a) The charitable organization is not a qualified beneficiary as defined in section 8 of this act specified in the trust instrument or acting as trustee: or
- (b) The charitable organization is a qualified beneficiary, but is not a permissible distributee, as those terms are defined in section 8 of this act, and its beneficial interest in the trust is subject to change by the trustor or by a person designated by the trustor.
- (11) An action taken by the court is conclusive and binding upon each person receiving actual or constructive notice or who is otherwise represented under this section.
- (12) This section is intended to adopt the common law concept of virtual representation. This section supplements the common law relating to the doctrine of virtual representation and may not be construed as limiting the application of that common law doctrine.
- Sec. 6. RCW 11.96A.125 and 2011 c 327 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

The terms of a will or trust, even if unambiguous, may be reformed by judicial proceedings ((or binding nonjudicial procedure)) under this chapter to conform the terms to the intention of the testator or trustor if it is proved by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence((or the parties to a binding nonjudicial agreement agree that there is clear, cogent, and convincing evidence,)) that both the intent of the testator or trustor and the terms of the will or trust were affected by a mistake of fact or law, whether in expression or inducement. This does not limit the ability to reform the will or trust using the binding nonjudicial procedures of RCW 11.96A.220.

**Sec. 7.** RCW 11.97.010 and 2011 c 327 s 12 are each amended to read as follows:

- (((1))) The trustor of a trust may by the provisions of the trust relieve the trustee from any or all of the duties, restrictions, and liabilities which would otherwise be imposed by chapters 11.95, 11.98, 11.100, and 11.104A RCW and RCW 11.106.020, or may alter or deny any or all of the privileges and powers conferred by those provisions; or may add duties, restrictions, liabilities, privileges, or powers to those imposed or granted by those provisions. If any specific provision of those chapters is in conflict with the provisions of a trust, the provisions of the trust control whether or not specific reference is made in the trust to any of those chapters, except as provided in RCW 6.32.250, 11.96A.190, 19.36.020, section 8 of this act, 11.98.200 through 11.98.240, section 16(1) of this act, 11.95.100 through 11.95.150, and chapter 11.103 RCW. In no event may a trustee be relieved of the duty to act in good faith and with honest judgment ((or the duty to provide information to beneficiaries as required in this section)). Notwithstanding the breadth of discretion granted to a trustee in the terms of the trust, including the use of such terms as "absolute," "sole," or "uncontrolled," the trustee ((shall)) must exercise a discretionary power in good faith and in accordance with the terms and purposes of the trust and the interests of the
- (((2) Within sixty days after the date of acceptance of the position of trustee of an irrevocable trust, or the date the trustee of a formerly revocable trust acquires knowledge that the trust has become irrevocable, whether by the death of the trustor or otherwise, the trustee shall give notice of: (a) The existence of the trust, (b) the identity of the trustor or trustors, (c) the trustee's name, address, and telephone number, and (d) the right to request such information as is reasonably necessary to enable the notified person to enforce his or her rights under the trust, to all persons interested in the trust, as defined in RCW 11.96A.030, and who would be entitled to notice under RCW 11.96A.110 and 11.96A.120 if they were a party to judicial proceedings regarding the trust. If any such person is a minor and no guardian has been appointed for such person by any court, then such notice may be given to a parent of the person. If a person otherwise entitled to notice under this section is a charitable organization, and the charitable organization's only interest in the trust is a future interest that may be revoked, then such notice shall instead be given to the attorney general. A trustee who gives notice pursuant to this section satisfies the duty to inform the beneficiaries of the existence of the trust. The notice required under this subsection (2) applies only to irrevocable trusts created after December 31, 2011, and revocable trusts that become irrevocable after December 31, 2011, provided that all common law duties of a trustee to notify beneficiaries applicable to trusts created or that became irrevocable before such date are
- (3) A trustee shall keep all persons interested in the trust, as defined in RCW 11.96A.030, and who would be entitled to notice under RCW 11.96A.110 and 11.96A.120 if they were a party to judicial proceedings regarding the trust, reasonably informed about the administration of the trust and of the material facts necessary for them to protect their interests. A report that contains the following is presumed to satisfy the trustee's duty to keep such persons reasonably informed for the relevant period of trust administration:
- (a) A statement of receipts and disbursements of principal and income that have occurred during the accounting period;
- (b) A statement of the assets and liabilities of the trust and their values at the beginning and end of the period;
  - (c) The trustee's compensation for the period;
- (d) The agents hired by the trustee, their relationship to the trustee, if any, and their compensation, for the period;
- (e) Disclosure of any pledge, mortgage, option, or lease of trust property, or other agreement affecting trust property binding for a period of five years or more that was granted or entered into during the accounting period;
  - (f) Disclosure of all transactions during the period that are

- equivalent to one of the types of transactions described in RCW 11.98.078 or otherwise could have been affected by a conflict between the trustee's fiduciary and personal interests;
- (g) A statement that the recipient of the account information may petition the superior court pursuant to chapter 11.106 RCW to obtain review of the statement and of acts of the trustee disclosed in the statement:
- (h) A statement that claims against the trustee for breach of trust may not be made after the expiration of three years from the date the beneficiary receives the statement.
- (4) Unless unreasonable under the circumstances, a trustee shall promptly respond to any beneficiary's request for information related to the administration of the trust.
- (5) If a person entitled to notice under this section requests information reasonably necessary to enable the notified person to enforce his or her rights under the trust, then the trustee must provide such information within sixty days of receipt of such request. Delivery of the entire trust instrument to the persons entitled to notice under this section who request information concerning the terms of the trust reasonably necessary to enable the notified person to enforce his or her rights under the trust is deemed to satisfy the trustee's obligations under this subsection.))

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 11.98 RCW to be codified before RCW 11.98.005 to read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter, and throughout this title where specifically referenced, unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Permissible distributee" means a trust beneficiary who is currently eligible to receive distributions of trust income or principal, whether the distribution is mandatory or discretionary.
- (2) "Qualified beneficiary" means a trust beneficiary who, on the date that such beneficiary's qualification is determined:
  - (a) Is a permissible distributee;
- (b) Would be a permissible distributee if the interests of the distributees described in (a) of this subsection terminated on that date;
- (c) Would be a permissible distributee if the trust terminated on that date.
- Sec. 9. RCW 11.98.005 and 2011 c 327 s 22 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) If provisions of a trust instrument designate Washington as the situs of the trust or designate Washington law to govern the trust or any of its terms, then the situs of the trust is Washington provided that one of the following conditions is met:
- (a) A trustee has a place of business in or a trustee is a resident of Washington; or
- (b) More than an insignificant part of the trust administration occurs in Washington; or
- (c) The trustor resides in Washington at the time situs is being established, or resided in Washington at the time the trust became irrevocable; or
- (d) One or more of the <u>qualified</u> beneficiaries resides in Washington; or
- (e) An interest in real property located in Washington is an asset of the trust.
- (2)(a) Unless the trust instrument designates a state other than Washington as the situs of the trust and does not expressly authorize transfer of situs, the trustee may register the trust as a Washington trust if any of the factors in subsection (1)(a) through (e) of this section are present. The trustee ((shall)) must register the trust by filing with the clerk of the court in any county where venue lies for the trust under RCW 11.96A.050, a statement including the following information:
  - (i) The name and address of the trustee;
- (ii) The date of the trust, name of the trustor, and name of the trust, if any;

- (iii) The factor or factors listed in subsection (1)(a) through (e) of this section that are present for the trust and which qualify the trust for registration.
- (b) Within five days of filing the registration with the court, the trustee ((shall)) must mail a copy of the registration to each ((person who would be entitled to notice under RCW 11.97.010 and)) qualified beneficiary who has not waived notice of the registration, in writing, filed in the cause, together with a notice that must be in substantially the same form as set forth in this section. Persons receiving such notice ((shall)) have thirty days from the date of filing the registration to file a petition in the court objecting to such registration and requesting the court to issue an order that Washington is not the proper situs of the trust, and to serve a copy of such petition upon the trustee or the trustee's lawyer. If a petition objecting to the registration is filed within thirty days of the date of filing the registration, the trustee must request the court to fix a time and place for the hearing of the petition and notify by mail, personal service or electronic transmission, if a valid consent to electronic transmission is in effect under the terms of RCW 11.96A.110, all ((persons who were entitled to notice of the registration)) qualified beneficiaries of the time and place of the hearing, not less than ten days before the hearing on the petition.
- (c) Unless a person receiving notice of the registration files a petition with the court objecting to the registration within thirty days of the date of filing the registration, the registration ((shall)) will be deemed the equivalent of an order entered by the court declaring that the situs of the trust is Washington. After expiration of the thirty-day period following filing of the registration, the trustee may obtain a certificate of registration signed by the clerk, and issued under the seal of the court, which may be in the form specified in (d) of this subsection
- (d) Notice of registration and certificates of registration may be in the following form:
  - (i) Notice form:

# NOTICE OF FILING OF REGISTRATION OF [NAME AND DATE OF TRUST] AS A WASHINGTON TRUST

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the attached Registration of Trust was filed by the undersigned in the above-entitled court on the . . . . day of . . . . . , 20. . .; unless you file a petition in the above-entitled court objecting to such registration and requesting the court to issue an order that Washington is not the proper situs of the trust, and serve a copy thereof upon the trustee or the trustee's lawyer, within thirty days after the date of the filing, the registration will be deemed the equivalent of an order entered by the court declaring that the situs of the trust is Washington.

If you file and serve a petition within the period specified, the undersigned will request the court to fix a time and place for the hearing of your petition, and you will be notified of the time and place thereof, by mail, or personal service, not less than ten days before the hearing on the petition.

(ii) Certificate of Registration:

State of Washington, County of . . . . . . In the superior court of the county of . . . . . .

Whereas, the attached Registration of Trust was filed with this court on ..., the attached Notice of Filing Registration of Trust and Affidavit of Mailing Notice of Filing Registration of Trust were filed with this court on ..., and no objections to such Registration have been filed with this court, the trust known as ..., under trust agreement dated ..., between ... as Trustor and ... as Trustee, is hereby registered as a Washington trust.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this  $\dots$  day of  $\dots$ ,  $20\dots$ 

- (3) If the instrument establishing a trust does not designate ((Washington as the situs or designate Washington)) any jurisdiction as the situs or designate any jurisdiction's governing law to apply to the trust, and the trustee of the trust has not registered the trust as allowed in subsection (2) of this section, the situs of the trust is Washington if ((the)) situs has not previously been established by any court proceeding and the additional conditions specified in this subsection (3) are met.
  - (a) For a testamentary trust, the situs of the trust is Washington if:
  - (i) The will was admitted to probate in Washington; or
- (ii) The will has not been admitted to probate in Washington, but any trustee of the trust resides or has a place of business in Washington, any <u>qualified</u> beneficiary ((entitled to notice under RCW 11.97.010)) resides in Washington, or any real property that is an asset of the trust is located in Washington.
- (b) For an inter vivos trust ((where the trustor is domiciled in Washington either when the trust becomes irrevocable or, in the case of a revocable trust, when judicial proceedings under chapter 11.96A RCW are commenced)), the situs of the trust is Washington if:
- (i) The trustor is living and Washington is the trustor's domicile or any of the trustees reside in or have a place of business in Washington; or
- (ii) The trustor is deceased((, situs has not previously been established by any court proceeding,)); and:
  - (A) The trustor's will was admitted to probate in Washington; or
- (B) The trustor's will was not admitted to probate in Washington, but any ((person entitled to notice under RCW 11.97.010)) qualified beneficiary resides in Washington, any trustee resides or has a place of business in Washington, or any real property that is an asset of the trust is located in Washington.
- (c) If the situs of the trust is not determined under (a) or (b) of this subsection, the determination regarding the situs of the trust is a matter for purposes of RCW 11.96A.030. Whether Washington is the situs ((shall)) must be determined by a court in a judicial proceeding conducted under RCW 11.96A.080 if:
- (i) A trustee has a place of business in or a trustee is a resident of Washington; or
- (ii) More than an insignificant part of the trust administration occurs in Washington; or
- (iii) One or more of the <u>qualified</u> beneficiaries resides in Washington; or
- (iv) An interest in real property located in Washington is an asset of the trust.
- (d) Determination of situs under (c) of this subsection (3) cannot be made by nonjudicial agreement under RCW 11.96A.220.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 10.** A new section is added to chapter 11.98 RCW to be codified between RCW 11.98.016 and 11.98.019 to read as follows:

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, a person designated as trustee accepts the trusteeship:
- (a) By substantially complying with a method of acceptance provided in the terms of the trust; or
- (b) If the terms of the trust do not provide a method of acceptance or the method provided in the terms is not expressly made exclusive, by accepting delivery of the trust property, exercising powers or performing duties as trustee, or otherwise indicating acceptance of the trusteeship.
- (2) A person designated as trustee who has not yet accepted the trusteeship may decline the trusteeship by delivering a written declination of the trusteeship to the trustor or, if the trustor is deceased or is incapacitated, to a successor trustee, if any, and if none, to a qualified beneficiary.
- (3) A person designated as trustee, without accepting the trusteeship, may:
- (a) Act to preserve the trust property if, within a reasonable time after acting, the person sends a written declination of the trusteeship

to the trustor or, if the trustor is dead or is incapacitated, to a successor trustee, if any, and if none, to a qualified beneficiary; and

- (b) Inspect or investigate trust property to determine potential liability under environmental or other law or for any other purpose.
- **Sec. 11.** RCW 11.98.019 and 1985 c 30 s 42 are each amended to read as follows:

Any trustee may, by written instrument delivered to any then acting co-trustee and to the ((current adult income beneficiaries)) permissible distributees of the trust, relinquish to any extent and upon any terms any or all of the trustee's powers, rights, authorities, or discretions that are or may be tax sensitive in that they cause or may cause adverse tax consequences to the trustee or the trust. Any trustee not relinquishing such a power, right, authority, or discretion and upon whom it is conferred continues to have full power to exercise it.

**Sec. 12.** RCW 11.98.039 and 2011 c 327 s 21 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) Where a vacancy occurs in the office of the trustee and there is a successor trustee who is willing to serve as trustee and (a) is named in the governing instrument as successor trustee or (b) has been selected to serve as successor trustee under the procedure established in the governing instrument for the selection of a successor trustee, the outgoing trustee, or any other interested party, ((shall)) must give notice of such vacancy, whether arising because of the trustee's resignation or because of any other reason, and of the successor trustee's agreement to serve as trustee, to each ((adult distributee or permissible distributee of trust income or of trust principal or of both trust income and trust principal. If there are no such adults, no notice need be given)) permissible distributee. The successor trustee named in the governing instrument or selected pursuant to the procedure therefor established in the governing instrument ((shall be)) is entitled to act as trustee except for good cause or disqualification. The successor trustee ((shall-serve)) is deemed to have accepted the trusteeship as of the effective date of the discharge of the predecessor trustee as provided in RCW 11.98.041.
- (2) Where a vacancy exists or occurs in the office of the trustee and there is no successor trustee who is named in the governing instrument or who has been selected to serve as successor trustee under the procedure established in the governing instrument for the selection of a successor trustee, and who is willing to serve as trustee, then all parties with an interest in the trust may agree to a nonjudicial change of the trustee under RCW 11.96A.220. The successor trustee ((shall serve)) is deemed to have accepted the trusteeship as of the effective date of the discharge of the predecessor trustee as provided in RCW 11.98.041 or, in circumstances where there is no predecessor trustee, as of the effective date of the trustee's appointment.
- (3) When there is a desire to name one or more cotrustees to serve with the existing trustee, then all parties with an interest in the trust may agree to the nonjudicial addition of one or more cotrustees under RCW 11.96A.220. The additional cotrustee ((shall serve)) is deemed to have accepted the trusteeship as of the effective date of the cotrustee's appointment.
- (4) Unless subsection (1), (2), or (3) of this section applies, any beneficiary of a trust, the trustor, if alive, or the trustee may petition the superior court having jurisdiction for the appointment or change of a trustee or cotrustee under the procedures provided in RCW 11.96A.080 through 11.96A.200: (a) Whenever the office of trustee becomes vacant; (b) upon filing of a petition of resignation by a trustee; or (c) for any other reasonable cause.
- (5) For purposes of this subsection, the term fiduciary includes both trustee and personal representative.
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in the governing instrument, a successor fiduciary, absent actual knowledge of a breach of fiduciary duty: (i) Is not liable for any act or omission of a predecessor fiduciary and is not obligated to inquire into the validity or propriety of any such act or omission; (ii) is authorized to accept as conclusively accurate any accounting or statement of assets tendered

- to the successor fiduciary by a predecessor fiduciary; and (iii) is authorized to receipt only for assets actually delivered and has no duty to make further inquiry as to undisclosed assets of the trust or estate.
- (b) Nothing in this section relieves a successor fiduciary from liability for retaining improper investments, nor does this section in any way bar the successor fiduciary, trust beneficiaries, or other party in interest from bringing an action against a predecessor fiduciary arising out of the acts or omissions of the predecessor fiduciary, nor does it relieve the successor fiduciary of liability for its own acts or omissions except as specifically stated or authorized in this section.
- (6) A change of trustee to a foreign trustee does not change the situs of the trust. Transfer of situs of a trust to another jurisdiction requires compliance with RCW 11.98.005 and RCW 11.98.045 through 11.98.055.
- **Sec. 13.** RCW 11.98.041 and 1985 c 30 s 141 are each amended to read as follows:

Where a vacancy occurs in the office of trustee under the circumstances described in RCW 11.98.039 (1) or (2), the outgoing trustee ((shall be)) is discharged upon the agreement of all parties entitled to notice or upon the expiration of thirty days after notice is given of such vacancy as required by the applicable subsection of RCW 11.98.039, whichever occurs first, or if no notice is required under RCW 11.98.039(1), upon the date the vacancy occurs, unless before the effective date of such discharge a petition is filed under RCW 11.98.039(((3))) (4) regarding the appointment or change of a trustee of the trust. Where a petition is filed under RCW 11.98.039(((3))) (4) regarding the appointment or change of a trustee, the superior court having jurisdiction may discharge the trustee from the trust and may appoint a successor trustee upon such terms as the court may require.

**Sec. 14.** RCW 11.98.045 and 2011 c 327 s 23 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) If a trust is a Washington trust under RCW 11.98.005, a trustee may transfer the situs of the trust to a jurisdiction other than Washington if the trust instrument so provides or in accordance with RCW 11.98.051 or 11.98.055.
  - (2) Transfer under this section is permitted only if:
- (a) The transfer would facilitate the economic and convenient administration of the trust;
- (b) The transfer would not materially impair the interests of the <u>qualified</u> beneficiaries or others interested in the trust;
  - (c) The transfer does not violate the terms of the trust;
- (d) The new trustee is qualified and able to administer the trust or such assets on the terms set forth in the trust; and
- (e) The trust meets at least one condition for situs listed in RCW 11.98.005(1) with respect to the new jurisdiction.
- (3) Acceptance of such transfer by a foreign corporate trustee or trust company under this section or RCW 11.98.051 or 11.98.055 ((shall)) may not be construed to be doing a "trust business" as described in RCW 30.08.150(9).
- **Sec. 15.** RCW 11.98.051 and 2011 c 327 s 24 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The trustee may transfer trust situs (a) in accordance with RCW 11.96A.220; or (b) by giving written notice to ((those persons entitled to notice as provided for under RCW 11.96A.110 and to)) the attorney general in the case of a charitable trust subject to chapter 11.110 RCW and to the qualified beneficiaries not less than sixty days before initiating the transfer. The notice must:
  - (a) State the name and mailing address of the trustee;
  - (b) Include a copy of the governing instrument of the trust;
- (c) Include a statement of assets and liabilities of the trust dated within ninety days of the notice;
- (d) State the name and mailing address of the trustee to whom the trust will be transferred together with evidence that the trustee has agreed to accept the trust in the manner provided by law of the new situs. The notice must also contain a statement of the trustee's

qualifications and the name of the court, if any, having jurisdiction of that trustee or in which a proceeding with respect to the administration of the trust may be heard;

- (e) State the facts supporting the requirements of RCW 11.98.045(2);
- (f) Advise the ((beneficiaries)) recipients of the notice of the date, not less than sixty days after the giving of the notice, by which ((the beneficiary)) such recipients must notify the trustee of an objection to the proposed transfer; and
- (g) Include a form on which the recipient may ((indicate consent or objection)) object to the proposed transfer.
- (2) If the date upon which the ((beneficiaries')) right to object to the transfer expires without receipt by the trustee of any objection, the trustee may transfer the trust situs as provided in the notice. If the trust was registered under RCW 11.98.045(2), the trustee must file a notice of transfer of situs and termination of registration with the court of the county where the trust was registered.
- (3) The authority of a trustee under this section to transfer a trust's situs terminates if a ((beneficiary)) recipient of the notice notifies the trustee of an objection to the proposed transfer on or before the date specified in the notice.
- (4) A change of trust situs does not authorize a change of trustee. Change of trustee of a trust requires compliance with RCW 11.98.039.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 16.** A new section is added to chapter 11.98 RCW between RCW 11.98.070 and 11.98.080 to read as follows:

- (1) A trustee must keep all qualified beneficiaries of a trust reasonably informed about the administration of the trust and of the material facts necessary for them to protect their interests. Unless unreasonable under the circumstances, a trustee must promptly respond to any beneficiary's request for information related to the administration of the trust. The trustee is deemed to have satisfied the request of a qualified beneficiary who requests information concerning the terms of the trust reasonably necessary to enable such beneficiary to enforce his or her rights under the trust if the trustee provides a copy of the entire trust instrument. If a qualified beneficiary must compel production of information from the trustee by order of the court, then the court may order costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, to be awarded to such beneficiary pursuant to RCW 11.96A.150.
- (2)(a) Except to the extent waived or modified as provided in subsection (5) of this section, within sixty days after the date of acceptance of the position of trustee, the trustee must give notice to the qualified beneficiaries of the trust of:
  - (i) The existence of the trust;
  - (ii) The identity of the trustor or trustors;
  - (iii) The trustee's name, address, and telephone number; and
- (iv) The right to request such information as is reasonably necessary to enable the notified person to enforce his or her rights under the trust.
- (b) The notice required under this subsection (2) applies only to irrevocable trusts created after December 31, 2011, and revocable trusts that become irrevocable after December 31, 2011.
- (3) Despite any other provision of this section, and except to the extent waived or modified as provided in subsection (5) of this section, the trustee may not be required to provide any information described in subsection (1) or (2) of this section to any beneficiary of a trust other than the trustor's spouse or domestic partner if:
  - (a) Such spouse or domestic partner has capacity;
- (b) Such spouse or domestic partner is the only permissible distributee of the trust; and
- (c) All of the other qualified beneficiaries of the trust are the descendants of the trustor and the trustor's spouse or domestic partner.

- (4) While the trustor of a revocable trust is living, no beneficiary other than the trustor is entitled to receive any information under this section
- (5) The trustor may waive or modify the notification requirements of subsections (2) and (3) of this section in the trust document or in a separate writing, made at any time, that is delivered to the trustee.
- **Sec. 17.** RCW 11.98.080 and 1999 c 42 s 621 are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1)(a) Two or more trusts may be consolidated if:
  - $((\frac{a}{a}))$  (i) The trusts so provide; or
- (((b))) (ii) Whether provided in the trusts or not, ((in accordance with subsection (2) of this section, if all interested persons consent as provided in subsection (2)(b) of this section and the requirements of subsection (1)(d) of this section are satisfied; or
- (c) Whether provided in the trusts or not, in accordance with subsection (3) of this section if the requirements of subsection (1)(d) of this section are satisfied;
- (d))) the requirements of subsection (2), (3), or (4) of this section are satisfied.
- (b) Consolidation under subsection (2) ((or)), (3), or (4) of this section is permitted only if:
- (i) The dispositive provisions of each trust to be consolidated are substantially similar;
- (ii) Consolidation is not inconsistent with the intent of the trustor with regard to any trust to be consolidated; and
- (iii) Consolidation would facilitate administration of the trusts and would not materially impair the interests of the beneficiaries((\(\frac{1}{2}\))).
- <u>(c)</u> Trusts may be consolidated whether created inter vivos or by will, by the same or different instruments, by the same or different trustors, whether the trustees are the same, and regardless of where the trusts were created or administered.
- (2) ((The trustees of two or more trusts may consolidate the trusts on such terms and conditions as appropriate without court approval as provided in RCW 11.96A.220.))
- (a) ((The trustee shall give written notice of proposed consolidation by personal service or by certified mail to the)) A trustee must deliver sixty days in advance written notice of a proposed consolidation in the manner provided in RCW 11.96A.110 to the qualified beneficiaries of every trust affected by the consolidation ((as provided in RCW 11.96A.110)) and to any trustee of such trusts who does not join in the notice. The notice ((shall)) must: (i) State the name and mailing address of the trustee; (ii) include a copy of the governing instrument of each trust to be consolidated; (iii) include a statement of assets and liabilities of each trust to be consolidated, dated within ninety days of the notice; (iv) fully describe the terms and manner of consolidation; and (v) state the reasons supporting the requirements of subsection  $(1)((\frac{d}{d}))$  (b) of this section. The notice ((shall)) must advise the recipient of the right to petition for a judicial determination of the proposed consolidation as provided in subsection (((3))) (4) of this section((. The notice shall include a form on which consent or objection to the proposed indicated. consolidation - be may (b) If the trustee receives written consent to the proposed
- consolidation from all persons entitled to notice as provided in RCW 11.96A.110 or from their representatives, the trustee may consolidate the trustee as provided in the notice. Any person dealing with the trustee of the resulting consolidated trust is entitled to rely on the authority of that trustee to act and is not obliged to inquire into the validity or propriety of the consolidation under this section.
- (3)(a) Any trustee, beneficiary, or special representative may petition the superior court of the county in which the principal place of administration of a trust is located for an order consolidating two or more trusts under RCW 11.96A.080 through 11.96A.200. If nonjudicial consolidation has been commenced pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, a petition may be filed under this

section unless the trustee has received all necessary consents. The principal place of administration of the trust is the trustee's usual place of business where the records pertaining to the trust are kept, or the trustee's residence if the trustee has no such place of business)), and must indicate that the recipient has thirty days to object to the proposed

- (b) If the trustee receives written objection to the proposed consolidation from any trustee or beneficiary entitled to notice or from their representatives within the objection period provided in subsection (a) of this section, the trustee(s) may not consolidate the trusts as provided in the notice, though an objection does not preclude the trustee or a beneficiary's right to petition for a judicial determination of the proposed consolidation as provided in subsection (4) of this section. If the trustee does not receive any objection within the objection period provided above, then the trustee may consolidate the trusts, and such will be deemed the equivalent of an order entered by the court declaring that the trusts were combined in the manner provided in the initial notice.
- (3) The trustees of two or more trusts may consolidate the trusts on such terms and conditions as appropriate without court approval as provided in RCW 11.96A.220.
- (4)(a) Any trustee, beneficiary, or special representative may petition the superior court of the county in which the situs of a trust is located for an order consolidating two or more trusts under RCW 11.96A.080 through 11.96A.200.
- (b) At the conclusion of the hearing, if the court finds that the requirements of subsection (1)(((d))) (b) of this section have been satisfied, it may direct consolidation of two or more trusts on such terms and conditions as appropriate. The court in its discretion may provide for payment from one or more of the trusts of reasonable fees and expenses for any party to the proceeding.
- (((4))) (5) This section applies to all trusts whenever created. Any person dealing with the trustee of the resulting consolidated trust is entitled to rely on the authority of that trustee to act and is not obliged to inquire into the validity or propriety of the consolidation under this section.
- $(((\frac{5}{2})))$  (6) For powers of fiduciaries to divide trusts, see RCW 11.108.025.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 18.** RCW 11.98.090 (Nonliability of third persons without knowledge of breach) and 1985 c 30 s 52 are each repealed.

**Sec. 19.** RCW 11.103.040 and 2011 c 327 s 37 are each amended to read as follows:

While ((a trust is revocable by the trustor,)) the trustor of a revocable trust is living, the rights of the beneficiaries are subject to the control of, and the duties of the trustee are owed exclusively to, the trustor. If a revocable trust has more than one trustor, the duties of the trustee are owed to all of the living trustors having the right to revoke the trust.

**Sec. 20.** RCW 11.103.050 and 2011 c 327 s 38 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) A person may commence a judicial proceeding to contest the validity of a trust that was revocable at the trustor's death within the earlier of:
  - (a) Twenty-four months after the trustor's death; or
- (b) Four months after the trustee sent to the person by personal service, mail, or in an electronic transmission if there is a consent of the recipient to electronic transmission then in effect under the terms of RCW 11.96A.110, a notice ((with the information required in 11.97.010, RCW and)) including: (i) The name and date (ii) The identity of the trustor or (iii) The trustee's name, address, and telephone number; and (iv) Notice of the time allowed for commencing a proceeding.

- (2) Upon the death of the trustor of a trust that was revocable at the trustor's death, the trustee may proceed to distribute the trust property in accordance with the terms of the trust, unless:
- (a) The trustee knows of a pending judicial proceeding contesting the validity of the trust; or
- (b) A potential contestant has notified the trustee of a possible judicial proceeding to contest the trust and a judicial proceeding is commenced within sixty days after the contestant sent the notification.
- (3) A beneficiary of a trust that is determined to have been invalid is liable to return any distribution received.
- **Sec. 21.** RCW 11.96A.250 and 2001 c 14 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1)(a) ((The personal representative or trustee may petition the court having jurisdiction over the matter for the appointment of a special representative to represent a person who is interested in the estate or trust and)) Any party or the parent of a minor or unborn party may petition the court for the appointment of a special representative to represent a party: (i) Who is a minor; (ii) who is ((incompetent or disabled)) incapacitated without an appointed guardian of his or her estate; (iii) who is yet unborn or unascertained; or (iv) whose identity or address is unknown. The petition may be heard by the court without notice.
- (b) In appointing the special representative the court shall give due consideration and deference to any nomination(s) made in the petition, the special skills required in the representation, and the need for a representative who will act independently and prudently. The nomination of a person as special representative by the ((personal representative or trustee)) petitioner and the person's willingness to serve as special representative are not grounds by themselves for finding a lack of independence, however, the court may consider any interests that the nominating ((fiduciary)) party may have in the estate or trust in making the determination.
- (c) The special representative may enter into a binding agreement on behalf of the person or beneficiary. The special representative may be appointed for more than one person or class of persons if the interests of such persons or class are not in conflict. The petition ((shall)) must be verified. The petition and order appointing the special representative may be in the following form:

**CAPTION** 

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT
OF CASE
SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

UNDER RCW

OF

11.96A.250

The undersigned petitioner petitions the court for the appointment of a special representative in accordance with RCW 11.96A.250 and shows the court as follows:

- 1. Petitioner. Petitioner . . . [is the qualified and presently acting (personal representative) (trustee) of the above (estate) (trust) having been named (personal representative) (trustee) under (describe will and reference probate order or describe trust instrument)] or [is the (describe relationship of the petitioner to the party to be represented or to the matter at issue).].
- 2. ((Issue Concerning (Estate) (Trust) Administration)) Matter. A question concerning ((administration of the (estate) (trust))) ... has arisen as to (describe issue, for example: Related to interpretation, construction, administration, distribution). The ((issues are appropriate for determination under RCW 11.96A.250.

  3. Beneficiaries. The beneficiaries of the (estate) (trust) include persons who are unborn, unknown, or unascertained persons, or who are under eighteen years of age)) issue is a matter as defined in RCW 11.96A.030 and is appropriate for determination under RCW 11.96A.250.

- 3. Party/Parties to be Represented. This matter involves (include description of asset(s) and related beneficiaries and/or interested parties). Resolution of this matter will require the involvement of ..... (name of person or class of persons), who is/are (minors), (incapacitated and without an appointed guardian), (unborn or unascertained) (whose identity or address is unknown).
- 4. Special Representative. The nominated special representative . . . is a lawyer licensed to practice before the courts of this state or an individual with special skill or training in the administration of estates or trusts. The nominated special representative does not have an interest in the ((affected estate or trust)) matter and is not related to any person interested in the ((estate or trust)) matter. The nominated special representative is willing to serve. The petitioner has no reason to believe that the nominated special representative will not act in an independent and prudent manner and in the best interests of the represented parties. (It is recommended that the petitioner also include information specifying the particular skills of the nominated special representative that relate to the matter in issue.)
- 5. Resolution. Petitioner desires to achieve a resolution of the questions that have arisen ((concerning the (estate) (trust))) in this matter. Petitioner believes that proceeding in accordance with the procedures permitted under RCW 11.96A.210 through 11.96A.250 would be in the best interests of the (((estate) (trust) and the beneficiaries)) parties, including the party requiring a special representative.
- 6. Request of Court. Petitioner requests that  $\ldots((x))$  ... an attorney licensed to practice in the State of Washington((x)),

(OR)

.... an individual with special skill or training in the administration of estates or trusts

be appointed special representative for ((those beneficiaries who are not yet adults, as well as for the unborn, unknown, and unascertained beneficiaries)) ... (describe party or parties being represented), who is/are (minors), (incapacitated and without an appointed guardian), (unborn or unascertained) (whose identity or address is unknown), as provided under RCW 11.96A.250.

DATED this day of ,		
petitioner's	(Petitioner	((or
representative)))	legal	

## VERIFICATION

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED , (( <del>2000</del> )) <u>20</u> , at , V	Washington.	
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CAPTION ORDER FOR APPOINTMENT

## OF CASE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

THIS MATTER having come on for hearing before this Court on Petition for Appointment of Special Representative filed herein, and it appearing that it would be in the best interests of the (((estate) (trust))) parties related to the matter described in the Petition to appoint a special representative to address the issues that have arisen ((eoncerning the (estate) (trust))) in the matter and the Court finding that the facts stated in the Petition are true, now, therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that ... is appointed under RCW 11.96A.250 as special representative ((for the (estate) (trust) beneficiaries who are not yet adult age, and for unborn, unknown, or unascertained beneficiaries to represent their respective interests in the (estate) (trust))) (describe party or parties being represented) who is/are (minors), (incapacitated and without an appointed guardian), (unborn or unascertained) (whose identity or address is unknown), to represent their respective interests in the matter as provided in RCW 11.96A.250. The special representative shall be discharged of responsibility with respect to the matter as provided in RCW 11.96A.250. The special representative ((shall be)) is discharged of responsibility with respect to the (((estate) (trust))) matter at such time as a written agreement is executed resolving the present issues, all as provided in that statute, or if an agreement is not reached within six months from entry of this Order, the special representative appointed under this Order ((shall be)) is discharged of responsibility, subject to subsequent reappointment under RCW 11.96A.250.

DONE IN OPEN COURT this day of ,						

## JUDGE/COURT COMMISSIONER

- (2) Upon appointment by the court, the special representative ((shall)) must file a certification made under penalty of perjury in accordance with RCW 9A.72.085 that he or she (a) is not interested in the ((estate or trust)) matter; (b) is not related to any person interested in the ((estate or trust)) matter; (c) is willing to serve; and (d) will act independently, prudently, and in the best interests of the represented parties.
- (3) The special representative must be a lawyer licensed to practice before the courts of this state or an individual with special skill or training in the administration of estates or trusts. The special representative may not have an interest in the ((affected estate or trust)) matter, and may not be related to a person interested in the ((estate or trust)) matter. The special representative is entitled to reasonable compensation for services that must be paid from the principal of ((the estate or trust whose beneficiaries are represented)) an asset involved in the matter.
- (4) The special representative ((shall be)) is discharged from any responsibility and ((shall)) will have no further duties with respect to the ((estate or trust)) matter or with respect to any ((person interested in the estate or trust)) party, on the earlier of: (a) The expiration of six months from the date the special representative was appointed unless the order appointing the special representative provides otherwise, or (b) the execution of the written agreement by all parties or their virtual representatives. Any action against a special representative must be brought within the time limits provided by RCW 11.96A.070(3)(c)(i).
- **Sec. 22.** RCW 11.98.015 and 2011 c 327 s 20 are each amended to read as follows:

Except as otherwise provided in chapter 11.118 RCW or by another statute, the following rules apply:

- (1) A trust may be created for a noncharitable purpose without a definite or definitely ascertainable beneficiary or for a noncharitable but otherwise valid purpose to be selected by the trustee. The trust may not be enforced for longer than the time period specified in RCW 11.98.130 as the period during which a trust cannot be deemed to violate the rule against perpetuities;
- (2) A trust authorized by this section may be enforced by a person appointed in the terms of the trust or, if no person is so appointed, by a person appointed by the court. Such person is considered to be a permissible distributee of the trust; and
- (3) Property of a trust authorized by this section may be applied only to its intended use, except to the extent the court determines that the value of the trust property exceeds the amount required for the intended use. Except as otherwise provided in the terms of the trust, property not required for the intended use must be distributed to the trustor, if then living, otherwise to the trustor's successors in interest. Successors in interest include the beneficiaries under the trustor's will, if the trustor has a will, or, in the absence of an effective will provision, the trustor's heirs.
- **Sec. 23.** RCW 11.98.078 and 2011 c 327 s 32 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) A trustee ((shall)) <u>must</u> administer the trust solely in the interests of the beneficiaries.
- (2) Subject to the rights of persons dealing with or assisting the trustee as provided in RCW ((11.98.090)) 11.98.105, a sale, encumbrance, or other transaction involving the investment or management of trust property entered into by the trustee for the trustee's own personal account or which is otherwise affected by a conflict between the trustee's fiduciary and personal interests is voidable by a beneficiary affected by the transaction unless:
  - (a) The transaction was authorized by the terms of the trust;
- (b) The transaction was approved by the court or approved in a nonjudicial binding agreement in compliance with RCW 11.96A.210 through 11.96A.250;
- (c) The beneficiary did not commence a judicial proceeding within the time allowed by RCW 11.96A.070;
- (d) The beneficiary consented to the trustee's conduct, ratified the transaction, or released the trustee in compliance with RCW 11.98.108; or
- (e) The transaction involves a contract entered into or claim acquired by the trustee before the person became or contemplated becoming trustee.
- (3)(a) A sale, encumbrance, or other transaction involving the investment or management of trust property is presumed to be "otherwise affected" by a conflict between fiduciary and personal interests under this section if it is entered into by the trustee with:
  - (i) The trustee's spouse or registered domestic partner;
- (ii) The trustee's descendants, siblings, parents, or their spouses or registered domestic partners;
  - (iii) An agent or attorney of the trustee; or
- (iv) A corporation or other person or enterprise in which the trustee, or a person that owns a significant interest in the trustee, has an interest that might affect the trustee's best judgment.
- (b) The presumption is rebutted if the trustee establishes that the conflict did not adversely affect the interests of the beneficiaries.
- (4) A sale, encumbrance, or other transaction involving the investment or management of trust property entered into by the trustee for the trustee's own personal account that is voidable under subsection (2) of this section may be voided by a beneficiary without further proof.
- (5) An investment by a trustee in securities of an investment company or investment trust to which the trustee, or its affiliate, provides services in a capacity other than as trustee is not presumed to be affected by a conflict between personal and fiduciary interests if the investment complies with the prudent investor rule of chapter 11.100 RCW. In addition to its compensation for acting as trustee,

- the trustee may be compensated by the investment company or investment trust for providing those services out of fees charged to the trust. If the trustee receives compensation from the investment company or investment trust for providing investment advisory or investment management services, the trustee must at least annually notify the ((persons entitled under RCW 11.106.020 to receive a copy of the trustee's annual report of the rate and method by which that compensation was determined)) permissible distributees of the rate and method by which that compensation was determined. The obligation of the trustee to provide the notice described in this section may be waived or modified by the trustor in the trust document or in a separate writing, made at any time, that is delivered to the trustee.
- (6) The following transactions, if fair to the beneficiaries, cannot be voided under this section:
- (a) An agreement between a trustee and a beneficiary relating to the appointment or compensation of the trustee;
- (b) Payment of reasonable compensation to the trustee and any affiliate providing services to the trust, provided total compensation is reasonable:
- (c) A transaction between a trust and another trust, decedent's estate, or guardianship of which the trustee is a fiduciary or in which a beneficiary has an interest;
- (d) A deposit of trust money in a regulated financial-service institution operated by the trustee or its affiliate;
- (e) A delegation and any transaction made pursuant to the delegation from a trustee to an agent that is affiliated or associated with the trustee; or
  - (f) Any loan from the trustee or its affiliate.
- (7) The court may appoint a special fiduciary to make a decision with respect to any proposed transaction that might violate this section if entered into by the trustee.
- (8) If a trust has two or more beneficiaries, the trustee  $((\frac{\text{shall}}{\text{shall}}))$  must act impartially in administering the trust and distributing the trust property, giving due regard to the beneficiaries' respective interests.
- **Sec. 24.** RCW 11.103.030 and 2011 c 327 s 36 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Unless the terms of a trust expressly provide that the trust is revocable, the trustor may not revoke or amend the trust.
- (2) If a revocable trust is created or funded by more than one trustor and unless the trust agreement provides otherwise:
- (a) To the extent the trust consists of community property, the trust may be revoked by either spouse or either domestic partner acting alone but may be amended only by joint action of both spouses or both domestic partners;
- (b) To the extent the trust consists of property other than community property, each trustor may revoke or amend the trust with regard to the portion of the trust property attributable to that trustor's contribution;
- (c) The character of community property or separate property is unaffected by its transfer to and from a revocable trust; and
- (d) Upon the revocation or amendment of the trust by fewer than all of the trustors, the trustee ((shall)) <u>must</u> promptly notify the other trustors of the revocation or amendment.
  - (3) The trustor may revoke or amend a revocable trust:
- (a) By substantial compliance with a method provided in the terms of the trust; or
- (b)(i) If the terms of the trust do not provide a method or the method provided in the terms is not expressly made exclusive, by:
- (A) A later will or codicil that expressly refers to the trust or specifically devises property that would otherwise have passed according to the terms of the trust; or
- (B) A written instrument signed by the trustor evidencing intent to revoke or amend.

- (ii) The requirements of chapter 11.11 RCW do not apply to revocation or amendment of a revocable trust under (b)(i) of this subsection
- (4) Upon revocation of a revocable trust, the trustee ((shall)) must deliver the trust property as the trustor directs.
- (5) A trustor's powers with respect to ((revocation, amendment, or distribution of trust property may be exercised by an agent under a power of attorney only to the extent expressly authorized by the terms of the power)) the revocation or amendment of a trust or distribution of the property of a trust, may be exercised by the trustor's agent under a power of attorney only to the extent specified in the power of attorney document, as provided in RCW 11.94.050(1) and to the extent consistent with or expressly authorized by the trust agreement.
- (6) A guardian of the trustor may exercise a trustor's powers with respect to revocation, amendment, or distribution of trust property only with the approval of the court supervising the guardianship pursuant to RCW 11.92.140.
- (7) A trustee who does not know that a trust has been revoked or amended is not liable to the trustor or trustor's successors in interest for distributions made and other actions taken on the assumption that the trust had not been amended or revoked.
- (8) This section does not limit or affect operation of RCW 11.96A.220 through 11.96A.240.
- **Sec. 25.** RCW 11.106.010 and 1985 c 30 s 95 are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter does not apply to resulting trusts, constructive trusts, business trusts where certificates of beneficial interest are issued to the beneficiaries, investment trusts, voting trusts, insurance trusts prior to the death of the insured, trusts in the nature of mortgages or pledges((, trusts created by judgment or decree of a federal court or of the superior court when not sitting in probate)), liquidation trusts or trusts for the sole purpose of paying dividends, interest or interest coupons, salaries, wages or pensions; nor does this chapter apply to personal representatives.

**Sec. 26.** RCW 11.106.020 and 1985 c 30 s 96 are each amended to read as follows:

The trustee or trustees appointed by any will, deed, or agreement executed ((shall)) <u>must</u> mail or deliver at least annually to each ((adult income trust beneficiary)) permissible distributee, as defined in section 8 of this act, a written itemized statement of all current receipts and disbursements made by the trustee of the funds of the trust both principal and income, and upon the request of any such beneficiary ((shall)) <u>must</u> furnish the beneficiary an itemized statement of all property then held by that trustee, and may also file any such statement in the superior court of the county in which the trustee or one of the trustees resides.

**Sec. 27.** RCW 11.118.050 and 2001 c 327 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:

The intended use of the principal or income can be enforced by a person designated for that purpose in the trust instrument, by the person having custody of an animal that is a beneficiary of the trust, or by a person appointed by a court upon application to it by any person. Such person is considered to be a permissible distributee, as defined in section 8 of this act, of the trust. A person with an interest in the welfare of the animal may petition for an order appointing or removing a person designated or appointed to enforce the trust.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 28.** Except as otherwise provided in this act:

- (1) This act applies to all trusts created before, on, or after January 1, 2013;
- (2) This act applies to all judicial proceedings concerning trusts commenced on or after January 1, 2013;
- (3) An action taken before January 1, 2013, is not affected by this act; and
- (4) If a right is acquired, extinguished, or barred upon the expiration of a prescribed period that has commenced to run under

any other statute before January 1, 2013, that statute continues to apply to the right even if it has been repealed or superseded."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Pedersen, Chair; Hansen, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; O'Ban, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; Hope; Jinkins; Kirby; Klippert; Nealey; Orwall; Roberts and Shea.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

E2SSB 5389 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means:
Concerning sibling visitation and sibling contact
for children in foster care. Reported by
Committee on Early Learning & Human Services

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The Washington state legislature recognizes the importance of frequent and meaningful contact for siblings separated due to involvement in the foster care system. The legislature also recognizes that children and youth in foster care have not always been provided adequate opportunities for visitation with their siblings. It is the intent of the legislature to encourage appropriate facilitation of sibling visits.

- **Sec. 2.** RCW 13.34.136 and 2011 c 309 s 29 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Whenever a child is ordered removed from the home, a permanency plan shall be developed no later than sixty days from the time the supervising agency assumes responsibility for providing services, including placing the child, or at the time of a hearing under RCW 13.34.130, whichever occurs first. The permanency planning process continues until a permanency planning goal is achieved or dependency is dismissed. The planning process shall include reasonable efforts to return the child to the parent's home.
- (2) The agency supervising the dependency shall submit a written permanency plan to all parties and the court not less than fourteen days prior to the scheduled hearing. Responsive reports of parties not in agreement with the department's or supervising agency's proposed permanency plan must be provided to the department or supervising agency, all other parties, and the court at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The permanency plan shall include:

- (a) A permanency plan of care that shall identify one of the following outcomes as a primary goal and may identify additional outcomes as alternative goals: Return of the child to the home of the child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian; adoption, including a tribal customary adoption as defined in RCW 13.38.040; guardianship; permanent legal custody; long-term relative or foster care, until the child is age eighteen, with a written agreement between the parties and the care provider; successful completion of a responsible living skills program; or independent living, if appropriate and if the child is age sixteen or older. The department or supervising agency shall not discharge a child to an independent living situation before the child is eighteen years of age unless the child becomes emancipated pursuant to chapter 13.64 RCW;
- (b) Unless the court has ordered, pursuant to RCW 13.34.130(((6))) (8), that a termination petition be filed, a specific plan as to where the child will be placed, what steps will be taken to return the child home, what steps the supervising agency or the department will take to promote existing appropriate sibling relationships and/or facilitate placement together or contact in accordance with the best interests of each child, and what actions the

department or supervising agency will take to maintain parent-child ties. All aspects of the plan shall include the goal of achieving permanence for the child.

- (i) The department's or supervising agency's plan shall specify what services the parents will be offered to enable them to resume custody, what requirements the parents must meet to resume custody, and a time limit for each service plan and parental requirement.
- (ii) Visitation is the right of the family, including the child and the parent, in cases in which visitation is in the best interest of the child. Early, consistent, and frequent visitation is crucial for maintaining parent-child relationships and making it possible for parents and children to safely reunify. The supervising agency or department shall encourage the maximum parent and child and sibling contact possible, when it is in the best interest of the child, including regular visitation and participation by the parents in the care of the child while the child is in placement. Visitation shall not be limited as a sanction for a parent's failure to comply with court orders or services where the health, safety, or welfare of the child is not at risk as a result of the visitation. Visitation may be limited or denied only if the court determines that such limitation or denial is necessary to protect the child's health, safety, or welfare. The court and the department or supervising agency should rely upon community resources, relatives, foster parents, and other appropriate persons to provide transportation and supervision for visitation to the extent that such resources are available, and appropriate, and the child's safety would not be compromised.
- (iii)(A) The department, court, or caregiver in the out-of-home placement may not limit visitation or contact between a child and sibling as a sanction for a child's behavior or as an incentive to the child to change his or her behavior.
- (B) Any exceptions, limitation, or denial of contacts or visitation must be approved by the supervisor of the department caseworker and documented. The child, parent, department, guardian ad litem, or court-appointed special advocate may challenge the denial of visits in court.
- (iv) A child shall be placed as close to the child's home as possible, preferably in the child's own neighborhood, unless the court finds that placement at a greater distance is necessary to promote the child's or parents' well-being.
- (((iv))) (v) The plan shall state whether both in-state and, where appropriate, out-of-state placement options have been considered by the department or supervising agency.
- (((\(\frac{\psi}{\psi}\))) (vi) Unless it is not in the best interests of the child, whenever practical, the plan should ensure the child remains enrolled in the school the child was attending at the time the child entered foster care.
- (((\(\frac{\(\vi\)}{\(\vi\)}\))) (\(\vi\)ii) The supervising agency or department shall provide all reasonable services that are available within the department or supervising agency, or within the community, or those services which the department has existing contracts to purchase. It shall report to the court if it is unable to provide such services; and
- (c) If the court has ordered, pursuant to RCW 13.34.130(((6))) (8), that a termination petition be filed, a specific plan as to where the child will be placed, what steps will be taken to achieve permanency for the child, services to be offered or provided to the child, and, if visitation would be in the best interests of the child, a recommendation to the court regarding visitation between parent and child pending a fact-finding hearing on the termination petition. The department or supervising agency shall not be required to develop a plan of services for the parents or provide services to the parents if the court orders a termination petition be filed. However, reasonable efforts to ensure visitation and contact between siblings shall be made unless there is reasonable cause to believe the best interests of the child or siblings would be jeopardized.
- (3) Permanency planning goals should be achieved at the earliest possible date. If the child has been in out-of-home care for fifteen of

- the most recent twenty-two months, the court shall require the department or supervising agency to file a petition seeking termination of parental rights in accordance with RCW 13.34.145(3)(b)(vi). In cases where parental rights have been terminated, the child is legally free for adoption, and adoption has been identified as the primary permanency planning goal, it shall be a goal to complete the adoption within six months following entry of the termination order.
- (4) If the court determines that the continuation of reasonable efforts to prevent or eliminate the need to remove the child from his or her home or to safely return the child home should not be part of the permanency plan of care for the child, reasonable efforts shall be made to place the child in a timely manner and to complete whatever steps are necessary to finalize the permanent placement of the child.
- (5) The identified outcomes and goals of the permanency plan may change over time based upon the circumstances of the particular case.
- (6) The court shall consider the child's relationships with the child's siblings in accordance with RCW 13.34.130(((4))) (6). Whenever the permanency plan for a child is adoption, the court shall encourage the prospective adoptive parents, birth parents, foster parents, kinship caregivers, and the department or other supervising agency to seriously consider the long-term benefits to the child adoptee and his or her siblings of providing for and facilitating continuing postadoption contact between the siblings. To the extent that it is feasible, and when it is in the best interests of the child adoptee and his or her siblings, contact between the siblings should be frequent and of a similar nature as that which existed prior to the adoption. If the child adoptee or his or her siblings are represented by an attorney or guardian ad litem in a proceeding under this chapter or in any other child custody proceeding, the court shall inquire of each attorney and guardian ad litem regarding the potential benefits of continuing contact between the siblings and the potential detriments of severing contact. This section does not require the department of social and health services or other supervising agency to agree to any specific provisions in an open adoption agreement and does not create a new obligation for the department to provide supervision or transportation for visits between siblings separated by adoption from foster care.
  - (7) For purposes related to permanency planning:
- (a) "Guardianship" means a dependency guardianship or a legal guardianship pursuant to chapter 11.88 RCW or equivalent laws of another state or a federally recognized Indian tribe.
- (b) "Permanent custody order" means a custody order entered pursuant to chapter  $26.10\ RCW$ .
- (c) "Permanent legal custody" means legal custody pursuant to chapter 26.10 RCW or equivalent laws of another state or a federally recognized Indian tribe."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Kagi, Chair; Freeman, Vice Chair; Walsh, Ranking Minority Member; Goodman; MacEwen; Overstreet; Roberts; Sawyer and Zeiger.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

SSB 5399 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Governmental Operations: Addressing the timing of penalties under the growth management act. Reported by

Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Kochmar, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Buys; Liias; Springer and Upthegrove.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

SB 5417

Prime Sponsor, Senator Mullet: Concerning the annexation of unincorporated territory within a code city. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 35A.14.295 and 1997 c 429 s 36 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The legislative body of a code city may resolve to annex territory ((containing residential property owners)) to the city if there is within the city, unincorporated territory:
- (a) Containing less than one hundred <u>seventy-five</u> acres and having ((at least eighty percent)) <u>all</u> of the boundaries of such area contiguous to the code city; or
- (b) Of any size and having at least eighty percent of the boundaries of such area contiguous to the city ((if such area existed before June 30, 1994)), and is within the same county and within the same urban growth area designated under RCW 36.70A.110, and the city ((was)) is planning under chapter 36.70A RCW ((as of June 30, 1994)).
- (2) The resolution shall describe the boundaries of the area to be annexed, state the number of voters residing therein as nearly as may be, and set a date for a public hearing on such resolution for annexation. Notice of the hearing shall be given by publication of the resolution at least once a week for two weeks prior to the date of the hearing, in one or more newspapers of general circulation within the code city and one or more newspapers of general circulation within the area to be annexed.
  - (3) For purposes of subsection (1)(b) of this section, territory bounded by a river, lake, or other body of water is considered contiguous to a city that is also bounded by the same river, lake, or other body of water."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Kochmar, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Buys; Liias and Springer.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative Upthegrove.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2013

ESSB 5458

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications: Concerning the labeling of certain asbestos-containing building materials. Reported by Committee on Environment

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Upthegrove, Chair; McCoy, Vice Chair; Short, Ranking Minority Member; Farrell; Fey; Kagi; Liias; Morris and Tharinger.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Pike, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Nealey and Overstreet.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 26, 2013

SSB 5459

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Requiring ninety-day supply limits on certain drugs dispensed by a pharmacist. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

On page 2, at the beginning of line 15, strike "care service plan, health insurer" and insert "benefit plan, health carrier"

On page 2, line 18, after "coverage" strike "for a drug"

On page 2, line 19, after "beneficiary's" insert "or enrollee's"

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Morrell; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

SB 5465

Prime Sponsor, Senator Dammeier: Concerning exemptions from licensure as a physical therapist. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"**Sec. 1.** RCW 18.74.150 and 2007 c 98 s 13 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) It is unlawful for any person to practice or in any manner hold himself or herself out to practice physical therapy or designate himself or herself as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant, unless he or she is licensed in accordance with this chapter.
- (2) This chapter does not restrict persons licensed under any other law of this state from engaging in the profession or practice for which they are licensed, if they are not representing themselves to be physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, or providers of physical therapy.
- (3) The following persons are exempt from licensure as physical therapists under this chapter when engaged in the following activities:
- (a) A person who is pursuing a course of study leading to a degree as a physical therapist in an approved professional education program and is satisfying supervised clinical education requirements related to his or her physical therapy education while under direct supervision of a licensed physical therapist;
- (b) A physical therapist while practicing in the United States armed services, United States public health service, or veterans administration as based on requirements under federal regulations for state licensure of health care providers; and
- (c) A physical therapist licensed in another United States jurisdiction, or a foreign-educated physical therapist credentialed in another country, performing physical therapy as part of teaching or participating in an educational seminar of no more than sixty days in a calendar year.
- (4) The following persons are exempt from licensure as physical therapist assistants under this chapter when engaged in the following activities:
- (a) A person who is pursuing a course of study leading to a degree as a physical therapist assistant in an approved professional education program and is satisfying supervised clinical education requirements related to his or her physical therapist assistant

education while under direct supervision of a licensed physical therapist or licensed physical therapist assistant;

- (b) A physical therapist assistant while practicing in the United States armed services, United States public health service, or veterans administration as based on requirements under federal regulations for state licensure of health care providers; and
- (c) A physical therapist assistant licensed in another United States jurisdiction, or a foreign-educated physical therapist assistant credentialed in another country, or a physical therapist assistant who is teaching or participating in an educational seminar of no more than sixty days in a calendar year.
- Sec. 2. RCW 18.74.180 and 2007 c 98 s 16 are each amended to read as follows:

A physical therapist is professionally and legally responsible for patient care given by assistive personnel under his or her supervision. If a physical therapist fails to adequately supervise patient care given by assistive personnel, the board may take disciplinary action against the physical therapist.

- (1) Regardless of the setting in which physical therapy services are provided, only the licensed physical therapist may perform the following responsibilities:
  - (a) Interpretation of referrals;
- (b) Initial examination, problem identification, and diagnosis for physical therapy;
- (c) Development or modification of a plan of care that is based on the initial examination and includes the goals for physical therapy intervention:
- (d) Determination of which tasks require the expertise and decision-making capacity of the physical therapist and must be personally rendered by the physical therapist, and which tasks may be delegated;
- (e) Assurance of the qualifications of all assistive personnel to perform assigned tasks through written documentation of their education or training that is maintained and available at all times;
- (f) Delegation and instruction of the services to be rendered by the physical therapist, physical therapist assistant, or physical therapy aide including, but not limited to, specific tasks or procedures, precautions, special problems, and contraindicated procedures;
- (g) Timely review of documentation, reexamination of the patient, and revision of the plan of care when indicated;
  - (h) Establishment of a discharge plan.
- (2) Supervision requires that the patient reevaluation is performed:
- (a) Every fifth visit, or if treatment is performed more than five times per week, reevaluation must be performed at least once a week;
- (b) When there is any change in the patient's condition not consistent with planned progress or treatment goals.
  - (3) Supervision of assistive personnel means:
- (a) Physical therapist assistants may function under direct or indirect supervision;
  - (b) Physical therapy aides must function under direct supervision;
- (c)(i) The physical therapist may supervise a total of two assistive personnel at any one time.
- (ii) In addition to the two assistive personnel authorized in (c)(i) of this subsection, the physical therapist may supervise a total of two persons who are pursuing a course of study leading to a degree as a physical therapist or a physical therapist assistant."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Hope, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Morrell; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

SB 5496 Prime Sponsor, Senator Braun: Authorizing approval of online school programs in private schools. Reported by Committee on Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Santos, Chair; Stonier, Vice Chair; Dahlquist, Ranking Minority Member; Magendanz, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Bergquist; Fagan; Haigh; Hargrove; Hawkins; Hayes; Hunt; Klippert; Lytton; Maxwell; McCoy; Orwall; Pike; Pollet; Seaquist and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

SSB 5601 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care:
Concerning interpretation of state law regarding rebating practices by health care entities.
Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature recognizes the complexity of the health care delivery system and the need to provide a clear and consistent regulatory framework to enable health care providers to manage their operations in an efficient and effective manner. The legislature also recognizes that the donation of electronic health records systems reduces health care costs, promotes patient safety, and improves the quality of health care.

- (2) To further the important national policy of promoting the widespread adoption of electronic health records systems, the federal antikickback statute and the rules adopted to implement the statute contain a safe harbor that allows the donation of electronic health records systems. The federal statute and rules also contain additional safe harbors to preserve a variety of other activities which, in many cases, improve access to health care. For health care entities other than clinical laboratories, the legality of all of these arrangements is currently in question.
- (3) The legislature is adding language to chapter 19.68 RCW to clarifying existing law and ensure that, except with respect to arrangements involving an entity which principally operates as a clinical laboratory, it is interpreted in a manner consistent with the federal antikickback statute.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** (1) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to limit or prohibit the donation of electronic health record technology or other activity by any entity, including a hospital licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW that operates a clinical laboratory, when the donation or other activity is allowed by or otherwise does not violate, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1320a-7b(b) or the federal rules adopted to implement 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1320a-7b(b).

(2) This section does not apply to any entity which principally operates as a clinical laboratory licensed or certified under section 353 of the public health service act, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 263a, or other applicable Washington state law.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

"Electronic health record technology" means items and services, in the form of software or information technology and training services, necessary and used predominantly to create, maintain, transmit, or receive electronic health records.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** This act applies retroactively to June 1, 2006, as well as prospectively.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Sections 2 and 3 of this act are each added to chapter 19.68 RCW."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Hope, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Morrell; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 27, 2013

#### ESB 5603

Prime Sponsor, Senator Hatfield: Establishing the Washington coastal marine advisory council. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Establishing the Washington coastal marine advisory council and the Washington marine resources advisory council. ) Reported by Committee on Environment

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

On page 1, line 12, after "designee" insert ", except as specified in subsection (4) of this section"

On page 2, line 21, after "(M)" insert "Up to four representatives of tribal governments, as specified in subsection (4) of this section; (N)"

Reletter the remaining subsection consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

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Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

Signed by Representatives Upthegrove, Chair; McCoy, Vice Chair; Short, Ranking Minority Member; Farrell; Fey; Kagi; Liias; Morris; Nealey and Tharinger.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Pike, Assistant Ranking Minority Member and Overstreet.

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MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Pike, Assistant Ranking Minority Member and Overstreet.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 28, 2013

#### SSB 5630

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care: Implementing recommendations of the adult family home quality assurance panel. Reported by Committee on Health Care & Wellness

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

On page 7, line 5, after "links to" strike "recent"

On page 7, line 6, after "department" insert "for the previous three years. If a violation or enforcement remedy is deleted, rescinded, or modified under RCW 70.128.167 or chapter 34.05 RCW, the department shall make the appropriate changes to the information on the web site as soon as reasonably feasible, but no later than thirty days after the violation or enforcement remedy has been deleted, rescinded, or modified"

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 70.128 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The protection of vulnerable residents living in adult family homes and other long-term care facilities in the state is a matter of ongoing concern and grave importance. In 2011, the legislature examined problems with the quality of care and oversight of adult family homes in Washington. The 2011 legislature passed Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1277 to address some of these issues, and in addition, created an adult family home quality assurance panel, chaired by the state long-term care ombudsman, to meet and make recommendations to the governor and legislature by December 1, 2012, for further improvements in adult family home care and the oversight of the homes by the department of social and health
- (2) The legislature recognizes that significant progress has been made over the years in adult family home care, and that many adult family homes provide high quality care and are the preferred alternative for many residents in contrast to a larger care facility setting. The legislature finds however that the quality of care in some adult family homes would be improved, and abuse and neglect would decline, if these homes' caregivers and providers received better training and mentoring, residents and their families were more informed and able to select an appropriate home, and oversight by the department of social and health services was more vigorous and prompt against poorly performing homes. It is therefore the intent of the legislature to enact the recommendations included in the adult

family home quality assurance panel report in order to improve the quality of care of vulnerable residents and the department's oversight of adult family homes.

- **Sec. 2.** RCW 70.128.060 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 3 s 403 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) An application for license shall be made to the department upon forms provided by it and shall contain such information as the department reasonably requires.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of this section, the department shall issue a license to an adult family home if the department finds that the applicant and the home are in compliance with this chapter and the rules adopted under this chapter. The department may not issue a license if (a) the applicant or a person affiliated with the applicant has prior violations of this chapter relating to the adult family home subject to the application or any other adult family home, or of any other law regulating residential care facilities within the past ten years that resulted in revocation, suspension, or nonrenewal of a license or contract with the department; or (b) the applicant or a person affiliated with the applicant has a history of significant noncompliance with federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations relating to the provision of care or services to vulnerable adults or to children. A person is considered affiliated with an applicant if the person is listed on the license application as a partner, officer, director, resident manager, or majority owner of the applying entity, or is the spouse of the applicant.
  - (3) The license fee shall be submitted with the application.
- (4) Proof of financial solvency must be submitted when requested by the department.
- (5) The department shall serve upon the applicant a copy of the decision granting or denying an application for a license. An applicant shall have the right to contest denial of his or her application for a license as provided in chapter 34.05 RCW by requesting a hearing in writing within twenty-eight days after receipt of the notice of denial.
- (6) The department shall not issue a license to a provider if the department finds that the provider or spouse of the provider or any partner, officer, director, managerial employee, or majority owner has a history of significant noncompliance with federal or state regulations, rules, or laws in providing care or services to vulnerable adults or to children.
- (7) The department shall license an adult family home for the maximum level of care that the adult family home may provide. The department shall define, in rule, license levels based upon the education, training, and caregiving experience of the licensed provider or staff.
- (8) For adult family homes that serve residents with special needs such as dementia, developmental disabilities, or mental illness, specialty training is required of providers and resident managers consistent with RCW 70.128.230, and also is required for caregivers, with standardized competency testing for caregivers hired after the effective date of this section, as set forth by the department in rule. The department shall examine, with input from experts, providers, consumers, and advocates, whether the existing specialty training courses are adequate for providers, resident managers, and caregivers to meet these residents' special needs, are sufficiently standardized in curricula and instructional techniques, and are accompanied by effective tools to fairly evaluate successful student completion. The department may enhance the existing specialty training requirements by rule, and may update curricula, instructional techniques, and competency testing based upon its review and stakeholder input. In addition, the department shall examine, with input from experts, providers, consumers, and advocates, whether additional specialty training categories should be created for adult family homes serving residents with other special needs, such as traumatic brain injury, skilled nursing, or bariatric care. The department may establish, by rule, additional specialty training categories and requirements for

- providers, resident managers, and caregivers, if needed to better serve residents with such special needs.
- (9) The department shall establish, by rule, standards used to license nonresident providers and multiple facility operators.
- (((9))) (10) The department shall establish, by rule, for multiple facility operators educational standards substantially equivalent to recognized national certification standards for residential care administrators.
- (((10))) (11) At the time of an application for an adult family home license and upon the annual fee renewal date set by the department, the licensee shall pay a license fee. Beginning July 1, 2011, the per bed license fee and any processing fees, including the initial license fee, must be established in the omnibus appropriations act and any amendment or additions made to that act. The license fees established in the omnibus appropriations act and any amendment or additions made to that act may not exceed the department's annual licensing and oversight activity costs and must include the department's cost of paying providers for the amount of the license fee attributed to medicaid clients.
- ((<del>(11)</del>)) (<u>12</u>) A provider who receives notification of the department's initiation of a denial, suspension, nonrenewal, or revocation of an adult family home license may, in lieu of appealing the department's action, surrender or relinquish the license. The department shall not issue a new license to or contract with the provider, for the purposes of providing care to vulnerable adults or children, for a period of twenty years following the surrendering or relinquishment of the former license. The licensing record shall indicate that the provider relinquished or surrendered the license, without admitting the violations, after receiving notice of the department's initiation of a denial, suspension, nonrenewal, or revocation of a license.
- ((<del>(12)</del>)) (13) The department shall establish, by rule, the circumstances requiring a change in the licensed provider, which include, but are not limited to, a change in ownership or control of the adult family home or provider, a change in the provider's form of legal organization, such as from sole proprietorship to partnership or corporation, and a dissolution or merger of the licensed entity with another legal organization. The new provider is subject to the provisions of this chapter, the rules adopted under this chapter, and other applicable law. In order to ensure that the safety of residents is not compromised by a change in provider, the new provider is responsible for correction of all violations that may exist at the time of the new license.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 70.128 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) In order to enhance the selection of an appropriate adult family home, all adult family homes licensed under this chapter shall disclose the scope of, and charges for, the care, services, and activities provided by the home or customarily arranged for by the home. The disclosure must be provided to the home's residents and the residents' representatives, if any, prior to admission, and to interested prospective residents and their representatives upon request, using standardized disclosure forms developed by the department with stakeholders' input. The home may also disclose supplemental information to prospective residents and other interested persons.
- (2)(a) The disclosure forms that the department develops must be standardized, reasonable in length, and easy to read. The form setting forth the scope of an adult family home's care, services, and activities must be available from the adult family home through a link to the department's web site developed pursuant to this section. This form must indicate, among other categories, the scope of personal care and medication service provided, the scope of skilled nursing services or nursing delegation provided or available, any specialty care designations held by the adult family home, the customary number of caregivers present during the day and whether the home has awake staff at night, any particular cultural or language access available, and

clearly state whether the home admits medicaid clients or retains residents who later become eligible for medicaid. The adult family home shall provide or arrange for the care, services, and activities disclosed in its form.

- (b) The department must also develop a second standardized disclosure form with stakeholders' input for use by adult family homes to set forth an adult family home's charges for its care, services, items, and activities, including the charges not covered by the home's daily or monthly rate, or by medicaid, medicare, or other programs. This form must be available from the home and disclosed to residents and their representatives, if any, prior to admission, and to interested prospective residents and their representatives upon request.
- (3)(a) If the adult family home decreases the scope of care, services, or activities it provides, due to circumstances beyond the home's control, the home shall provide a minimum of thirty days' written notice to the residents, and the residents' representative if any, before the effective date of the decrease in the scope of care, services, or activities provided.
- (b) If the adult family home voluntarily decreases the scope of care, services, or activities it provides, and any such decrease will result in the discharge of one or more residents, then ninety days' written notice must be provided prior to the effective date of the decrease. Notice must be given to the residents and the residents' representative, if any.
- (c) If the adult family home increases the scope of care, services, or activities it provides, the home shall promptly provide written notice to the residents, and the residents' representative if any, and shall indicate the date on which the increase is effective.
- (4) When the care needs of a resident exceed the disclosed scope of care or services that the adult family home provides, the home may exceed the care or services previously disclosed, provided that the additional care or services are permitted by the adult family home's license, and the home can safely and appropriately serve the resident with available staff or through the provision of reasonable accommodations required by state or federal law. The provision of care or services to a resident that exceed those previously disclosed by the home does not mean that the home is capable of or required to provide the same care or services to other residents, unless required as a reasonable accommodation under state or federal law.
- (5) An adult family home may deny admission to a prospective resident if the home determines that the needs of the prospective resident cannot be met, so long as the adult family home operates in compliance with state and federal law, including RCW 70.129.030(3) and the reasonable accommodation requirements of state and federal antidiscrimination laws.
- (6) The department shall work with consumers, advocates, and other stakeholders to combine and improve existing web resources to create a more robust, comprehensive, and user-friendly web site for family members, residents, and prospective residents of adult family homes in Washington. The department may contract with outside vendors and experts to assist in the development of the web site. The web site should be easy to navigate and have links to information important for residents, prospective residents, and their family members or representatives including, but not limited to: Explanations of the types of licensed long-term care facilities, levels of care, and specialty designations; (b) lists of suggested questions when looking for a care facility; (c) warning signs of abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation; and (d) contact information for the department and the long-term care ombudsman. In addition, the consumer oriented web site should include a searchable list of all adult family homes in Washington, with links to recent inspection and investigation reports and any enforcement actions by the department. To facilitate the comparison of adult family homes, the web site should also include a link to each licensed adult family home's disclosure form required by subsection (2)(a) of this section. The

- department's web site should also include periodically updated information about whether an adult family home has a current vacancy, if the home or facility provides such information to the department, or may include links to other consumer-oriented web sites with the vacancy information.
- **Sec. 4.** RCW 70.128.160 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 3 s 208 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The department is authorized to take one or more of the actions listed in subsection (2) of this section in any case in which the department finds that an adult family home provider has:
- (a) Failed or refused to comply with the requirements of this chapter or the rules adopted under this chapter;
- (b) Operated an adult family home without a license or under a revoked license;
- (c) Knowingly or with reason to know made a false statement of material fact on his or her application for license or any data attached thereto, or in any matter under investigation by the department; or
- (d) Willfully prevented or interfered with any inspection or investigation by the department.
- (2) When authorized by subsection (1) of this section, the department may take one or more of the following actions:
  - (a) Refuse to issue a license;
- (b) Impose reasonable conditions on a license, such as correction within a specified time, training, and limits on the type of clients the provider may admit or serve;
- (c) Impose civil penalties of at least one hundred dollars per day per violation;
- (d) Impose civil penalties of up to three thousand dollars for each incident that violates adult family home licensing laws and rules, including, but not limited to, chapters 70.128, 70.129, 74.34, and 74.39A RCW and related rules. Each day upon which the same or substantially similar action occurs is a separate violation subject to the assessment of a separate penalty;
- (e) Impose civil penalties of up to ten thousand dollars for a current or former licensed provider who is operating an unlicensed home:
  - (f) Suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a license; or
- (g) Suspend admissions to the adult family home by imposing stop placement.
- (3) When the department orders stop placement, the facility shall not admit any person until the stop placement order is terminated. The department may approve readmission of a resident to the facility from a hospital or nursing home during the stop placement. The department shall terminate the stop placement ((when)) only after: (a) The violations necessitating the stop placement have been corrected; and (b) the provider exhibits the capacity to maintain correction of the violations previously found deficient. However, if upon the revisit the department finds new violations that the department reasonably believes will result in a new stop placement, the previous stop placement shall remain in effect until the new stop placement is imposed. In order to protect the home's existing residents from potential ongoing neglect, when the provider has been cited for a violation that is repeated, uncorrected, pervasive, or presents a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of one or more residents, and the department has imposed a stop placement, the department shall also impose a condition on license or other remedy to facilitate or spur prompter compliance if the violation has not been corrected, and the provider has not exhibited the capacity to maintain correction, within sixty days of the stop placement.
- (4) Nothing in subsection (3) of this section is intended to apply to stop placement imposed in conjunction with a license revocation or summary suspension or to prevent the department from imposing a condition on license or other remedy prior to sixty days after a stop placement, if the department considers it necessary to protect one or more residents' well-being. After a department finding of a violation for which a stop placement has been imposed, the department shall

make an on-site revisit of the provider within fifteen working days from the request for revisit, to ensure correction of the violation. For violations that are serious or recurring or uncorrected following a previous citation, and create actual or threatened harm to one or more residents' well-being, including violations of residents' rights, the department shall make an on-site revisit as soon as appropriate to ensure correction of the violation. Verification of correction of all other violations may be made by either a department on-site revisit or by written or photographic documentation found by the department to be credible. This subsection does not prevent the department from enforcing license suspensions or revocations. Nothing in this subsection shall interfere with or diminish the department's authority and duty to ensure that the provider adequately cares for residents, including to make departmental on-site revisits as needed to ensure that the provider protects residents, and to enforce compliance with this chapter.

- (5) Chapter 34.05 RCW applies to department actions under this section, except that orders of the department imposing license suspension, stop placement, or conditions for continuation of a license are effective immediately upon notice and shall continue in effect pending any hearing.
- (6) A separate adult family home account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from civil penalties imposed under this chapter must be deposited into the account. Only the director or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures. The department shall use the special account only for promoting the quality of life and care of residents living in adult family homes.
- (7) The department shall by rule specify criteria as to when and how the sanctions specified in this section must be applied. The criteria must provide for the imposition of incrementally more severe penalties for deficiencies that are repeated, uncorrected, pervasive, or present a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of one or more residents. The criteria shall be tiered such that those homes consistently found to have deficiencies will be subjected to increasingly severe penalties. The department shall implement prompt and specific enforcement remedies without delay for providers found to have delivered care or failed to deliver care resulting in problems that are repeated, uncorrected, pervasive, or present a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of one or more residents. In the selection of remedies, the health, safety, and well-being of residents must be of paramount importance.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 70.128 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) If during an inspection, reinspection, or complaint investigation by the department, an adult family home corrects a violation or deficiency that the department discovers, the department shall record and consider such violation or deficiency for purposes of the home's compliance history; however, the licensor or complaint investigator may not include in the home's report the violation or deficiency if the violation or deficiency:
- (a) Is corrected to the satisfaction of the department prior to the exit conference:
  - (b) Is not recurring; and
- (c) Did not pose a significant risk of harm or actual harm to a resident.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, "recurring" means that the violation or deficiency was found under the same regulation or statute in one of the two most recent preceding inspections, reinspections, or complaint investigations."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Cody, Chair; Jinkins, Vice Chair; Schmick, Ranking Minority Member; Hope, Assistant Ranking

Minority Member; Angel; Clibborn; Green; Harris; Manweller; Moeller; Morrell; Riccelli; Rodne; Ross; Short; Tharinger and Van De Wege.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health & Human Services.

March 28, 2013

ESSB 5656

Prime Sponsor, Committee on Trade & Economic Development: Revising business licensing systems. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 35.102 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Except as provided otherwise by subsection (3) of this section, by July 1, 2019, each city that imposes a business and occupation tax under this chapter must have its general business licenses issued and, if a renewal is required, renewed through the business licensing system or through a city-developed portal.
- (2) Except as provided otherwise by subsection (3) of this section, by July 1, 2019, each city that does not impose a business and occupation tax under this chapter must have its general business licenses issued and, if a renewal is required, renewed through the business licensing system or through a city-developed portal.
- (3) The department or the cities may delay or phase-in the issuance and renewal of general business licenses beyond July 1, 2019, if funding or other resources are insufficient to enable the department or the cities to comply with this section.
- (4) The department, working with affected cities, may establish a schedule for assuming the issuance and renewal of general business licenses for cities choosing this option. Cities may continue to issue and renew their general business licenses until those licenses have been incorporated into the business licensing system. A city whose general business license has been incorporated into the business licensing system must utilize the business licensing system and may not directly issue or renew those licenses.
- (5)(a) By July 1, 2017, the department must provide a report to the appropriate committees of the house of representatives and senate indicating:
- (i) What actions the department has taken to comply with this section and what the costs of those actions were;
- (ii) What actions the department anticipates taking between July 1, 2017, and July 1, 2019, to comply with the requirements of this section and what the anticipated costs of those actions will be;
- (iii) What actions the department has taken to comply with the diverse and differing needs of small, medium, and large cities subject to the requirements of this section; and
- (iv) Whether, in the department's judgment, the department believes it will be able to comply with the deadlines established in subsections (1) and (2) of this section.
- (b) The report required by (a) of this subsection must be prepared by the department in consultation with cities and other affected or interested parties.
- (6) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- (a) "Business and occupation tax" has the same meaning as in RCW 35.102.030.
- (b) "Business licensing system" means the business licensing system or service of the department established in accordance with chapter 19.02 RCW.

- (c) "City-developed portal" means a single portal with at least five participating cities that allows for the issuance or renewal of general business licenses for all participating cities.
  - (d) "Department" means the department of revenue.
  - (7)(a) This section expires July 1, 2018.
- (b) The intent of the expiration date in this subsection is to afford the legislature a full opportunity to review and revise the requirements of this section to ensure that compliance with its provisions occurs in a timely, thoughtful, and appropriate manner that best meets the needs of businesses and cities throughout Washington state."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Kochmar, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Buys; Liias; Springer and Upthegrove.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representative Taylor, Ranking Minority Member.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

March 28, 2013

<u>SB 5770</u>

Prime Sponsor, Senator Honeyford: Permitting conservation districts to use electronic deposits for employee pay and compensation. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Kochmar, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Buys; Liias; Springer and Upthegrove.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

There being no objection, the bills listed on the day's committee reports under the fifth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

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

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 9:55 a.m., April 2, 2013, the 79th Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

BARBARA BAKER, Chief Clerk

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