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- 4 NOT ADOPTED 4/18/93
- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:

7 "ARTICLE 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 101.** DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:
- 9 (1) "Child" means an individual, whether over or under the age of 10 majority, who is or is alleged to be owed a duty of support by the 11 individual's parent or who is or is alleged to be the beneficiary of a 12 support order directed to the parent.
- 13 (2) "Child support order" means a support order for a child, 14 including a child who has attained the age of majority under the law of 15 the issuing state.
- 16 (3) "Duty of support" means an obligation imposed or imposable by 17 law to provide support for a child, spouse, or former spouse, including 18 an unsatisfied obligation to provide support.
- 19 (4) "Home state" means the state in which a child lived with a
 20 parent or a person acting as parent for at least six consecutive months
 21 immediately preceding the time of filing of a petition or comparable
 22 pleading for support and, if a child is less than six months old, the
 23 state in which the child lived from birth with any of them. A period
 24 of temporary absence of any of them is counted as part of the six-month
 25 or other period.
- (5) "Income" includes earnings or other periodic entitlements to money from any source and any other property subject to withholding for support under the law of this state.
- 29 (6) "Income-withholding order" means an order or other legal 30 process directed to an obligor's employer or other debtor, as defined 31 by chapter 6.27 RCW, to withhold support from the income of the 32 obligor.
- 33 (7) "Initiating state" means a state in which a proceeding under 34 this chapter or a law substantially similar to this chapter, the 35 Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, or the Revised Uniform

- 1 Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act is filed for forwarding to a 2 responding state.
- 3 (8) "Initiating tribunal" means the authorized tribunal in an 4 initiating state.
- 5 (9) "Issuing state" means the state in which a tribunal issues a 6 support order or renders a judgment determining parentage.
- 7 (10) "Issuing tribunal" means the tribunal that issues a support 8 order or renders a judgment determining parentage.
- 9 (11) "Law" includes decisional and statutory law and rules and 10 regulations having the force of law.
- 11 (12) "Obligee" means:
- 12 (a) An individual to whom a duty of support is or is alleged to be 13 owed or in whose favor a support order has been issued or a judgment 14 determining parentage has been rendered;
- 15 (b) A state or political subdivision to which the rights under a 16 duty of support or support order have been assigned or which has 17 independent claims based on financial assistance provided to an 18 individual obligee; or
- 19 (c) An individual seeking a judgment determining parentage of the 20 individual's child.
- 21 (13) "Obligor" means an individual, or the estate of a decedent:
- 22 (a) Who owes or is alleged to owe a duty of support;
- 23 (b) Who is alleged but has not been adjudicated to be a parent of 24 a child; or
- 25 (c) Who is liable under a support order.
- (14) "Register" means to record or file in the appropriate location for the recording or filing of foreign judgments generally or foreign support orders specifically, a support order or judgment determining parentage.
- 30 (15) "Registering tribunal" means a tribunal in which a support 31 order is registered.
- 32 (16) "Responding state" means a state to which a proceeding is 33 forwarded under this chapter or a law substantially similar to this 34 chapter, the Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, or the 35 Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act.
- 36 (17) "Responding tribunal" means the authorized tribunal in a 37 responding state.
- 38 (18) "Spousal support order" means a support order for a spouse or 39 former spouse of the obligor.

- 1 (19) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of 2 Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or any territory or insular 3 possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States. The term 4 "state" includes an Indian tribe and includes a foreign jurisdiction 5 that has established procedures for issuance and enforcement of support 6 orders that are substantially similar to the procedures under this 7 chapter.
- 8 (20) "Support enforcement agency" means a public official or agency 9 authorized to seek:
- 10 (a) Enforcement of support orders or laws relating to the duty of 11 support;
- (b) Establishment or modification of child support;
- 13 (c) Determination of parentage; or
- 14 (d) Location of obligors or their assets.
- 15 (21) "Support order" means a judgment, decree, or order, whether 16 temporary, final, or subject to modification, for the benefit of a 17 child, a spouse, or a former spouse, that provides for monetary 18 support, health care, arrearages, or reimbursement, and may include 19 related costs and fees, interest, income withholding, attorneys' fees, 20 and other relief.
- 21 (22) "Tribunal" means a court, administrative agency, or quasi-22 judicial entity authorized to establish, enforce, or modify support 23 orders or to determine parentage.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 102. TRIBUNAL OF THIS STATE. The superior court is the state tribunal for judicial proceedings and the department of social and health services office of support enforcement is the state tribunal for administrative proceedings.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 103. REMEDIES CUMULATIVE. Remedies provided by this chapter are cumulative and do not affect the availability of remedies under other law.

31 ARTICLE 2 JURISDICTION

32 PART A EXTENDED PERSONAL JURISDICTION

- 33 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 201.** BASES FOR JURISDICTION OVER NONRESIDENT.
- 34 In a proceeding to establish, enforce, or modify a support order or to

- 1 determine parentage, a tribunal of this state may exercise personal
- 2 jurisdiction over a nonresident individual or the individual's guardian
- 3 or conservator if:
- 4 (1) The individual is personally served with summons within this 5 state;
- 6 (2) The individual submits to the jurisdiction of this state by
 7 consent, by entering a general appearance, or by filing a responsive
 8 document having the effect of waiving any contest to personal
 9 jurisdiction;
- 10 (3) The individual resided with the child in this state;
- 11 (4) The individual resided in this state and provided prenatal 12 expenses or support for the child;
- 13 (5) The child resides in this state as a result of the acts or 14 directives of the individual;
- 15 (6) The individual engaged in sexual intercourse in this state and 16 the child may have been conceived by that act of intercourse; or
- 17 (7) There is any other basis consistent with the Constitutions of 18 this state and the United States for the exercise of personal 19 jurisdiction.
- A tribunal may not exercise personal jurisdiction over a 21 nonresident as provided in this section for the purpose of 22 establishing, enforcing, or modifying a support order for postsecondary 23 educational support of a child eighteen years of age or over.
- 24 NEW SECTION. Sec. 202. PROCEDURE WHEN EXERCISING JURISDICTION 25 OVER NONRESIDENT. A tribunal of this state exercising personal jurisdiction over a nonresident under section 201 of this act may apply 26 section 316 of this act to receive evidence from another state, and 27 section 318 of this act to obtain discovery through a tribunal of 28 29 another state. In all other respects, Articles 3 through 7 of this act do not apply and the tribunal shall apply the procedural and 30 substantive law of this state, including the rules on choice of law 31 32 other than those established by this chapter.

33 PART B PROCEEDINGS INVOLVING TWO OR MORE STATES

NEW SECTION. Sec. 203. INITIATING AND RESPONDING TRIBUNAL OF THIS
STATE. Under this chapter, a tribunal of this state may serve as an
initiating tribunal to forward proceedings to another state and as a

- 1 responding tribunal for proceedings initiated in another state.
- 2 However, a tribunal of this state may not serve as an initiating or
- 3 responding tribunal for purposes of establishing, enforcing, or
- 4 modifying a support order for postsecondary educational support of a
- 5 child eighteen years of age or over.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 204.** SIMULTANEOUS PROCEEDINGS IN ANOTHER STATE.
- 7 (1) A tribunal of this state may exercise jurisdiction to establish a
- 8 support order if the petition or comparable pleading is filed after a
- 9 petition or comparable pleading is filed in another state only if:
- 10 (a) The petition or comparable pleading in this state is filed
- 11 before the expiration of the time allowed in the other state for filing
- 12 a responsive pleading challenging the exercise of jurisdiction by the
- 13 other state;
- 14 (b) The contesting party timely challenges the exercise of
- 15 jurisdiction in the other state; and
- 16 (c) If relevant, this state is the home state of the child.
- 17 (2) A tribunal of this state may not exercise jurisdiction to
- 18 establish a support order if the petition or comparable pleading is
- 19 filed before a petition or comparable pleading is filed in another
- 20 state if:
- 21 (a) The petition or comparable pleading in the other state is filed
- 22 before the expiration of the time allowed in this state for filing a
- 23 responsive pleading challenging the exercise of jurisdiction by this
- 24 state;
- 25 (b) The contesting party timely challenges the exercise of
- 26 jurisdiction in this state; and
- (c) If relevant, the other state is the home state of the child.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 205. CONTINUING, EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION. (1)
- 29 A tribunal of this state issuing a support order consistent with the
- 30 law of this state has continuing, exclusive jurisdiction over a child
- 31 support order:
- 32 (a) As long as this state remains the residence of the obligor, the
- 33 individual obligee, or the child for whose benefit the support order is
- 34 issued; or
- 35 (b) Until each individual party has filed written consent with the
- 36 tribunal of this state for a tribunal of another state to modify the
- 37 order and assume continuing, exclusive jurisdiction.

- 1 (2) A tribunal of this state issuing a child support order 2 consistent with the law of this state may not exercise its continuing 3 jurisdiction to modify the order if the order has been modified by a 4 tribunal of another state pursuant to a law substantially similar to 5 this chapter.
 - (3) If a child support order of this state is modified by a tribunal of another state pursuant to a law substantially similar to this chapter, a tribunal of this state loses its continuing, exclusive jurisdiction with regard to prospective enforcement of the order issued in this state, and may only:
- 11 (a) Enforce the order that was modified as to amounts accruing 12 before the modification;
 - (b) Enforce nonmodifiable aspects of that order; and

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- 14 (c) Provide other appropriate relief for violations of that order 15 which occurred before the effective date of the modification.
- (4) A tribunal of this state shall recognize the continuing, exclusive jurisdiction of a tribunal of another state that has issued a child support order pursuant to a law substantially similar to this chapter.
- (5) A temporary support order issued ex parte or pending resolution of a jurisdictional conflict does not create continuing, exclusive jurisdiction in the issuing tribunal.
- 23 (6) A tribunal of this state issuing a support order consistent 24 with the law of this state has continuing, exclusive jurisdiction over 25 a spousal support order throughout the existence of the support 26 obligation. A tribunal of this state may not modify a spousal support 27 order issued by a tribunal of another state having continuing, 28 exclusive jurisdiction over that order under the law of that state.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 206. ENFORCEMENT AND MODIFICATION OF SUPPORT ORDER BY TRIBUNAL HAVING CONTINUING JURISDICTION. (1) A tribunal of this state may serve as an initiating tribunal to request a tribunal of another state to enforce or modify a support order issued in that state.
- 34 (2) A tribunal of this state having continuing, exclusive 35 jurisdiction over a support order may act as a responding tribunal to 36 enforce or modify the order. If a party subject to the continuing, 37 exclusive jurisdiction of the tribunal no longer resides in the issuing 38 state, in subsequent proceedings the tribunal may apply section 316 of

- this act to receive evidence from another state and section 318 of this act to obtain discovery through a tribunal of another state.
- 3 (3) A tribunal of this state that lacks continuing, exclusive 4 jurisdiction over a spousal support order may not serve as a responding 5 tribunal to modify a spousal support order of another state.

PART C RECONCILIATION WITH ORDERS OF OTHER STATES

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 207. RECOGNITION OF CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS. (1)

 8 If a proceeding is brought under this chapter, and one or more child

 9 support orders have been issued in this or another state with regard to

 10 an obligor and a child, a tribunal of this state shall apply the

 11 following rules in determining which order to recognize for purposes of

 12 continuing, exclusive jurisdiction:
- 13 (a) If only one tribunal has issued a child support order, the 14 order of that tribunal must be recognized.
- (b) If two or more tribunals have issued child support orders for the same obligor and child, and only one of the tribunals would have continuing, exclusive jurisdiction under this chapter, the order of that tribunal must be recognized.
 - (c) If two or more tribunals have issued child support orders for the same obligor and child, and more than one of the tribunals would have continuing, exclusive jurisdiction under this chapter, an order issued by a tribunal in the current home state of the child must be recognized, but if an order has not been issued in the current home state of the child, the order most recently issued must be recognized.
 - (d) If two or more tribunals have issued child support orders for the same obligor and child, and none of the tribunals would have continuing, exclusive jurisdiction under this chapter, the tribunal of this state may issue a child support order, which must be recognized.
- 29 (2) The tribunal that has issued an order recognized under 30 subsection (1) of this section is the tribunal having continuing, 31 exclusive jurisdiction.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 208. MULTIPLE CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS FOR TWO OR MORE OBLIGEES. In responding to multiple registrations or petitions for enforcement of two or more child support orders in effect at the same time with regard to the same obligor and different individual obligees, at least one of which was issued by a tribunal of another

- 1 state, a tribunal of this state shall enforce those orders in the same
- 2 manner as if the multiple orders had been issued by a tribunal of this
- 3 state.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 209.** CREDIT FOR PAYMENTS. Amounts collected
- 5 and credited for a particular period pursuant to a support order
- 6 issued by a tribunal of another state must be credited against the
- 7 amounts accruing or accrued for the same period under a support order
- 8 issued by the tribunal of this state.

9 ARTICLE 3 CIVIL PROVISIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION

- 10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 301.** PROCEEDINGS UNDER THIS CHAPTER. (1)
- 11 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, this article applies to
- 12 all proceedings under this chapter.
- 13 (2) This chapter provides for the following proceedings:
- 14 (a) Establishment of an order for spousal support or child support 15 pursuant to Article 4 of this act;
- 16 (b) Enforcement of a support order and income-withholding order of 17 another state without registration pursuant to Article 5 of this act;
- 18 (c) Registration of an order for spousal support or child support 19 of another state for enforcement pursuant to Article 6 of this act;
- 20 (d) Modification of an order for child support or spousal support
- 21 issued by a tribunal of this state pursuant to Article 2, Part B of
- 22 this act;
- (e) Registration of an order for child support of another state for modification pursuant to Article 6 of this act;
- 25 (f) Determination of parentage pursuant to Article 7 of this act;
- 26 and
- 27 (g) Assertion of jurisdiction over nonresidents pursuant to Article
- 28 2, Part A of this act.
- 29 (3) An individual petitioner or a support enforcement agency may
- 30 commence a proceeding authorized under this chapter by filing a
- 31 petition in an initiating tribunal for forwarding to a responding
- 32 tribunal or by filing a petition or a comparable pleading directly in
- 33 a tribunal of another state which has or can obtain personal
- 34 jurisdiction over the respondent.

- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 302.** ACTION BY MINOR PARENT. A minor parent,
- 2 or a quardian or other legal representative of a minor parent, may
- 3 maintain a proceeding on behalf of or for the benefit of the minor's
- 4 child.
- 5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 303. APPLICATION OF LAW OF THIS STATE. Except
- 6 as otherwise provided by this chapter, a responding tribunal of this
- 7 state:
- 8 (1) Shall apply the procedural and substantive law, including the
- 9 rules on choice of law, generally applicable to similar proceedings
- 10 originating in this state and may exercise all powers and provide all
- 11 remedies available in those proceedings; and
- 12 (2) Shall determine the duty of support and the amount payable in
- 13 accordance with the law and support guidelines of this state except a
- 14 responding tribunal of this state shall not establish, enforce, or
- 15 modify a support order for postsecondary educational support of a child
- 16 eighteen years of age or over.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 304. DUTIES OF INITIATING TRIBUNAL. Upon the
- 18 filing of a petition authorized by this chapter, an initiating tribunal
- 19 of this state shall forward three copies of the petition and its
- 20 accompanying documents:
- 21 (1) To the responding tribunal or appropriate support enforcement
- 22 agency in the responding state; or
- 23 (2) If the identity of the responding tribunal is unknown, to the
- 24 state information agency of the responding state with a request that
- 25 they be forwarded to the appropriate tribunal and that receipt be
- 26 acknowledged.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 305. DUTIES AND POWERS OF RESPONDING TRIBUNAL.
- 28 (1) When a responding tribunal of this state receives a petition or
- 29 comparable pleading from an initiating tribunal or directly pursuant to
- 30 section 301(3) of this act, it shall cause the petition or pleading to
- 31 be filed and notify the petitioner by first class mail where and when
- 32 it was filed.
- 33 (2) A responding tribunal of this state, to the extent otherwise
- 34 authorized by law, may do one or more of the following:
- 35 (a) Issue or enforce a support order, modify a child support order,
- 36 or render a judgment to determine parentage;

- 1 (b) Order an obligor to comply with a support order, specifying the 2 amount and the manner of compliance;
 - (c) Order income withholding;

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- 4 (d) Determine the amount of any arrearages, and specify a method of payment;
 - (e) Enforce orders by civil or criminal contempt, or both;
- 7 (f) Set aside property for satisfaction of the support order;
 - (g) Place liens and order execution on the obligor's property;
- 9 (h) Order an obligor to keep the tribunal informed of the obligor's 10 current residential address, telephone number, employer, address of 11 employment, and telephone number at the place of employment;
- (i) Issue a bench warrant or writ of arrest for an obligor who has failed after proper notice to appear at a hearing ordered by the tribunal and enter the bench warrant or writ of arrest in any local and state computer systems for criminal warrants;
- 16 (j) Order the obligor to seek appropriate employment by specified 17 methods;
 - (k) Award reasonable attorneys' fees and other fees and costs; and
- 19 (1) Grant any other available remedy.
- 20 (3) A responding tribunal of this state shall include in a support 21 order issued under this chapter, or in the documents accompanying the 22 order, the calculations on which the support order is based.
- 23 (4) A responding tribunal of this state may not condition the 24 payment of a support order issued under this chapter upon compliance by 25 a party with provisions for visitation. A responding tribunal of this 26 state may not establish, enforce, or modify a support order for 27 postsecondary educational support of a child eighteen years of age or 28 over.
- (5) If a responding tribunal of this state issues an order under this chapter, the tribunal shall send a copy of the order by first class mail to the petitioner and the respondent and to the initiating tribunal, if any.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 306. INAPPROPRIATE TRIBUNAL. If a petition or comparable pleading is received by an inappropriate tribunal of this state, it shall forward the pleading and accompanying documents to an appropriate tribunal in this state or another state and notify the petitioner by first class mail where and when the pleading was sent.

- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 307.** DUTIES OF SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY. (1)
- 2 A support enforcement agency of this state, upon request, shall provide 3 services to a petitioner in a proceeding under this chapter.
- 4 (2) A support enforcement agency that is providing services to the 5 petitioner as appropriate shall:
- 6 (a) Take all steps necessary to enable an appropriate tribunal in 7 this state or another state to obtain jurisdiction over the respondent;
- 8 (b) Request an appropriate tribunal to set a date, time, and place 9 for a hearing;
- 10 (c) Make a reasonable effort to obtain all relevant information, 11 including information as to income and property of the parties;
- (d) Within two days, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, after receipt of a written notice from an initiating,
- 14 responding, or registering tribunal, send a copy of the notice by first
- 15 class mail to the petitioner;
- 16 (e) Within two days, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal
- 17 holidays, after receipt of a written communication from the respondent
- 18 or the respondent's attorney, send a copy of the communication by first
- 19 class mail to the petitioner; and
- 20 (f) Notify the petitioner if jurisdiction over the respondent 21 cannot be obtained.
- 22 (3) This chapter does not create or negate a relationship of
- 23 attorney and client or other fiduciary relationship between a support
- 24 enforcement agency or the attorney for the agency and the individual
- 25 being assisted by the agency.
- 26 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 308.** DUTY OF ATTORNEY GENERAL. If the attorney
- 27 general determines that the support enforcement agency is neglecting or
- 28 refusing to provide services to an individual, the attorney general may
- 29 order the agency to perform its duties under this chapter or may
- 30 provide those services directly to the individual.
- 31 NEW SECTION. Sec. 309. PRIVATE COUNSEL. An individual may employ
- 32 private counsel to represent the individual in proceedings authorized
- 33 by this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 310. DUTIES OF STATE INFORMATION AGENCY. (1)
- 35 The department of social and health services office of support
- 36 enforcement is the state information agency under this chapter.

- 1 (2) The state information agency shall:
- 2 (a) Compile and maintain a current list, including addresses, of 3 the tribunals in this state that have jurisdiction under this chapter 4 and any support enforcement agencies in this state and transmit a copy 5 to the state information agency of every other state;
- 6 (b) Maintain a register of tribunals and support enforcement 7 agencies received from other states;
- 8 (c) Forward to the appropriate tribunal in the place in this state 9 in which the individual obligee or the obligor resides, or in which the 10 obligor's property is believed to be located, all documents concerning 11 a proceeding under this chapter received from an initiating tribunal or 12 the state information agency of the initiating state; and
- 13 (d) Obtain information concerning the location of the obligor and the obligor's property within this state not exempt from execution, by 14 such means as postal verification and federal or state locator 15 services, examination of telephone directories, requests for the 16 17 obligor's address from employers, and examination of governmental records, including, to the extent not prohibited by other law, those 18 19 relating to real property, vital statistics, law enforcement, taxation, 20 motor vehicles, driver's licenses, and social security.
- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 311.** PLEADINGS AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS. (1) 21 22 A petitioner seeking to establish or modify a support order or to 23 determine parentage in a proceeding under this chapter must verify the 24 petition. Unless otherwise ordered under section 312 of this act, the 25 petition or accompanying documents must provide, so far as known, the name, residential address, and social security numbers of the obligor 26 and the obligee, and the name, sex, residential address, 27 security number, and date of birth of each child for whom support is 28 29 sought. The petition must be accompanied by a certified copy of any 30 support order in effect. The petition may include any other information that may assist in locating or identifying the respondent. 31
- 32 (2) The petition must specify the relief sought. The petition and 33 accompanying documents must conform substantially with the requirements 34 imposed by the forms mandated by federal law for use in cases filed by 35 a support enforcement agency.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 312. NONDISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION IN EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES. Upon a finding, which may be made ex parte,

- 1 that the health, safety, or liberty of a party or child would be
- 2 unreasonably put at risk by the disclosure of identifying information,
- 3 or if an existing order so provides, a tribunal shall order that the
- 4 address of the child or party or other identifying information not be
- 5 disclosed in a pleading or other document filed in a proceeding under
- 6 this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 313. COSTS AND FEES. (1) The petitioner may not be required to pay a filing fee or other costs.
- 9 (2) If an obligee prevails in a support enforcement proceeding, a
- 10 responding tribunal may assess against an obligor filing fees,
- 11 reasonable attorneys' fees, other costs, and necessary travel and other
- 12 reasonable expenses incurred by the obligee and the obligee's
- 13 witnesses. The tribunal in a support enforcement proceeding may not
- 14 assess fees, costs, or expenses against the obligee or the support
- 15 enforcement agency of either the initiating or the responding state,
- 16 except as provided by RCW 4.84.080, civil rule 11 or, if the obligee or
- 17 the support enforcement agency has acted in bad faith.
- 18 (3) A responding tribunal may assess filing fees, reasonable
- 19 attorneys' fees, and other costs to either party, and necessary travel
- 20 and other reasonable costs incurred by the obligee and the obligee's
- 21 witnesses to the obligee, in a proceeding to establish or modify
- 22 support. Assessments under this section shall be made in accordance
- 23 with RCW 4.84.080 and 26.09.140 and civil rule 11.
- 24 (4) Attorneys' fees may be taxed as costs, and may be ordered paid
- 25 directly to the attorney, who may enforce the order in the attorney's
- 26 own name. Payment of support owed to the obligee has priority over
- 27 fees, costs, and expenses.
- 28 (5) The tribunal shall order the payment of costs and reasonable
- 29 attorneys' fees if it determines that a hearing was requested primarily
- 30 for delay.
- 31 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 314.** LIMITED IMMUNITY OF PETITIONER. (1)
- 32 Participation by a petitioner in a proceeding before a responding
- 33 tribunal, whether in person, by private attorney, or through services
- 34 provided by the support enforcement agency, does not confer personal
- 35 jurisdiction over the petitioner in another proceeding.

- 1 (2) A petitioner is not amenable to service of civil process while 2 physically present in this state to participate in a proceeding under 3 this chapter.
- 4 (3) The immunity granted by this section does not extend to civil 5 litigation based on acts unrelated to a proceeding under this chapter 6 committed by a party while present in this state to participate in the 7 proceeding.
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 315.** NONPARENTAGE AS DEFENSE. A party whose 9 parentage of a child has been previously determined by order of a 10 tribunal may not plead nonparentage as a defense to a proceeding under 11 this chapter.
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 316.** SPECIAL RULES OF EVIDENCE AND PROCEDURE.
- 13 (1) The physical presence of the petitioner in a responding tribunal of 14 this state is not required for the establishment, enforcement, or 15 modification of a support order or the rendition of a judgment 16 determining parentage.
- 17 (2) A verified petition, affidavit, document substantially 18 complying with federally mandated forms, and a document incorporated 19 by reference in any of them, not excluded under the hearsay rule if 20 given in person, is admissible in evidence if given under oath by a 21 party or witness residing in another state.
 - (3) A copy of the record of child support payments certified as a true copy of the original by the custodian of the record may be forwarded to a responding tribunal. The copy is evidence of facts asserted in it, and is admissible to show whether payments were made.

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- (4) Copies of bills for testing for parentage, and for prenatal and postnatal health care of the mother and child, furnished to the adverse party at least ten days before trial, are admissible in evidence to prove the amount of the charges billed and that the charges were reasonable, necessary, and customary.
- 31 (5) Documentary evidence transmitted from another state to a 32 tribunal of this state by telephone, telecopier, or other means that do 33 not provide an original writing may not be excluded from evidence on an 34 objection based on the means of transmission.
- 35 (6) In a proceeding under this chapter, a tribunal of this state 36 may permit a party or witness residing in another state to be deposed 37 or to testify by telephone, audiovisual means, or other electronic

- 1 means at a designated tribunal or other location in that state. A
- 2 tribunal of this state shall cooperate with tribunals of other states 3 in designating an appropriate location for the deposition or testimony.
- 4 (7) If a party called to testify at a civil hearing refuses to
- 4 (7) If a party called to testify at a civil hearing refuses to 5 answer on the ground that the testimony may be self-incriminating, the 6 trier of fact may draw an adverse inference from the refusal.
- 7 (8) A privilege against disclosure of communications between 8 spouses does not apply in a proceeding under this chapter.
- 9 (9) The defense of immunity based on the relationship of husband 10 and wife or parent and child does not apply in a proceeding under this 11 chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 317. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN TRIBUNALS. A tribunal of this state may communicate with a tribunal of another state in writing, or by telephone or other means, to obtain information concerning the laws of that state, the legal effect of a judgment, decree, or order of that tribunal, and the status of a proceeding in the other state. A tribunal of this state may furnish similar information by similar means to a tribunal of another state.
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 318.** ASSISTANCE WITH DISCOVERY. A tribunal of 20 this state may:
- 21 (1) Request a tribunal of another state to assist in obtaining 22 discovery; and
- 23 (2) Upon request, compel a person over whom it has jurisdiction to 24 respond to a discovery order issued by a tribunal of another state.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 319. RECEIPT AND DISBURSEMENT OF PAYMENTS. A support enforcement agency or tribunal of this state shall disburse promptly any amounts received pursuant to a support order, as directed by the order. The agency or tribunal shall furnish to a requesting party or tribunal of another state a certified statement by the custodian of the record of the amounts and dates of all payments received.

32 ARTICLE 4 ESTABLISHMENT OF SUPPORT ORDER

- 33 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 401.** PETITION TO ESTABLISH SUPPORT ORDER. (1)
- 34 If a support order entitled to recognition under this chapter has not

been issued, a responding tribunal of this state may issue a support
order if:

- (a) The individual seeking the order resides in another state; or
- 4 (b) The support enforcement agency seeking the order is located in 5 another state.

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- (2) The tribunal may issue a temporary child support order if:
- 7 (a) The respondent has signed a verified statement acknowledging 8 parentage;
- 9 (b) The respondent has been determined by order of a tribunal to be 10 the parent; or
- 11 (c) There is other clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that the 12 respondent is the child's parent.
- (3) Upon finding, after notice and opportunity to be heard, that an obligor owes a duty of support, the tribunal shall issue a support order directed to the obligor and may issue other orders pursuant to section 305 of this act.
- (4) A responding tribunal of this state may not establish, enforce, or modify a support order for postsecondary educational support of a child eighteen years of age or over.

20 ARTICLE 5 DIRECT ENFORCEMENT OF ORDER OF 21 ANOTHER STATE WITHOUT REGISTRATION

NEW SECTION. Sec. 501. RECOGNITION OF INCOME-WITHHOLDING ORDER OF ANOTHER STATE. (1) An income-withholding order issued in another state may be sent by first class mail to the person or entity defined as the obligor's employer under chapter 6.27 RCW without first filing a petition or comparable pleading or registering the order with a tribunal of this state. Upon receipt of the order, the employer shall:

- (a) Treat an income-withholding order issued in another state that appears regular on its face as if it had been issued by a tribunal of this state;
 - (b) Immediately provide a copy of the order to the obligor; and
- 32 (c) Distribute the funds as directed in the income-withholding 33 order.
- 34 (2) An obligor may contest the validity or enforcement of an 35 income-withholding order issued in another state in the same manner as 36 if the order had been issued by a tribunal of this state. Section 604 37 of this act applies to the contest. The obligor shall give notice of

- 1 the contest to any support enforcement agency providing services to the 2 obligee and to:
- 3 (a) The person or agency designated to receive payments in the 4 income-withholding order; or
- 5 (b) If no person or agency is designated, the obligee.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 502.** ADMINISTRATIVE ENFORCEMENT OF ORDERS. (1)
- 7 A party seeking to enforce a support order or an income-withholding
- 8 order, or both, issued by a tribunal of another state may send the
- 9 documents required for registering the order to a support enforcement
- 10 agency of this state.
- 11 (2) Upon receipt of the documents, the support enforcement agency,
- 12 without initially seeking to register the order, shall consider and, if
- 13 appropriate, use any administrative procedure authorized by the law of
- 14 this state to enforce a support order or an income-withholding order,
- 15 or both. The support enforcement agency may not attempt to enforce a
- 16 support order for postsecondary educational support of a child eighteen
- 17 years of age or over. If the obligor does not contest administrative
- 18 enforcement, the order need not be registered. If the obligor contests
- 19 the validity or administrative enforcement of the order, the support
- 20 enforcement agency shall register the order pursuant to this chapter.

21 ARTICLE 6 ENFORCEMENT AND MODIFICATION OF

22 SUPPORT ORDER AFTER REGISTRATION

23 PART A REGISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SUPPORT ORDER

- 24 NEW SECTION. Sec. 601. REGISTRATION OF ORDER FOR ENFORCEMENT. A
- 25 support order or an income-withholding order issued by a tribunal of
- 26 another state may be registered in this state for enforcement.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 602.** PROCEDURE TO REGISTER ORDER FOR
- 28 ENFORCEMENT. (1) A support order or income-withholding order of
- 29 another state may be registered in this state by sending the following
- 30 documents and information to the superior court of any county in this
- 31 state where the obligor resides, works, or has property:
- 32 (a) A letter of transmittal to the tribunal requesting registration
- 33 and enforcement;

- 1 (b) Two copies, including one certified copy, of all orders to be 2 registered, including any modification of an order;
- 3 (c) A sworn statement by the party seeking registration or a 4 certified statement by the custodian of the records showing the amount 5 of any arrearage;
 - (d) The name of the obligor and, if known:
 - (i) The obligor's address and social security number;
- 8 (ii) The name and address of the obligor's employer and any other 9 source of income of the obligor; and
- 10 (iii) A description and the location of property of the obligor in 11 this state not exempt from execution; and
- 12 (e) The name and address of the obligee and, if applicable, the 13 agency or person to whom support payments are to be remitted.
- 14 (2) On receipt of a request for registration, the registering 15 tribunal shall cause the order to be filed as a foreign judgment, 16 together with one copy of the documents and information, regardless of 17 their form.
- (3) A petition or comparable pleading seeking a remedy that must be affirmatively sought under other law of this state may be filed at the same time as the request for registration or later. The pleading must specify the grounds for the remedy sought.
- 22 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 603.** EFFECT OF REGISTRATION FOR ENFORCEMENT.
- 23 (1) A support order or income-withholding order issued in another state
- 24 is registered when the order is filed in the registering tribunal of
- 25 this state.
- (2) A registered order issued in another state is enforceable in the same manner and is subject to the same procedures as an order issued by a tribunal of this state except a tribunal of this state
- 29 shall not establish, enforce, or modify a support order for
- 30 postsecondary educational support of a child eighteen years of age or
- 31 over.

- 32 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this article, a tribunal of 33 this state shall recognize and enforce, but may not modify, a 34 registered order if the issuing tribunal had jurisdiction.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 604. CHOICE OF LAW. (1) The law of the issuing state governs the nature, extent, amount, and duration of current

- 1 payments and other obligations of support and the payment of arrearages
- 2 under the order.
- 3 (2) In a proceeding for arrearages, the statute of limitation under
- 4 the laws of this state or of the issuing state, whichever is longer,
- 5 applies.

6 PART B CONTEST OF VALIDITY OR ENFORCEMENT

- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 605.** NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF ORDER. (1) When
- 8 a support order or income-withholding order issued in another state is
- 9 registered, the registering tribunal shall notify the nonregistering
- 10 party. Notice must be given by certified or registered mail or by any
- 11 means of personal service authorized by the law of this state. The
- 12 notice must be accompanied by a copy of the registered order and the
- 13 documents and relevant information accompanying the order.
- 14 (2) The notice must inform the nonregistering party:
- 15 (a) That a registered order is enforceable as of the date of
- 16 registration in the same manner as an order issued by a tribunal of
- 17 this state;
- 18 (b) That a hearing to contest the validity or enforcement of the
- 19 registered order must be requested within twenty days after the date of
- 20 receipt by certified or registered mail or personal service of the
- 21 notice given to a nonregistering party within the state and within
- 22 sixty days after the date of receipt by certified or registered mail or
- 23 personal service of the notice on a nonregistering party outside of the
- 24 state;
- 25 (c) That failure to contest the validity or enforcement of the
- 26 registered order in a timely manner will result in confirmation of the
- 27 order and enforcement of the order and the alleged arrearages and
- 28 precludes further contest of that order with respect to any matter that
- 29 could have been asserted; and
- 30 (d) Of the amount of any alleged arrearages.
- 31 (3) Upon registration of an income-withholding order for
- 32 enforcement, the registering tribunal shall notify the obligor's
- 33 employer pursuant to the income-withholding law of this state.
- 34 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 606.** PROCEDURE TO CONTEST VALIDITY OR
- 35 ENFORCEMENT OF REGISTERED ORDER. (1) A nonregistering party seeking to
- 36 contest the validity or enforcement of a registered order in this state

- shall request a hearing within twenty days after the date of receipt of 1 2 certified or registered mail or the date of personal service of notice of the registration on the nonmoving party within this state, or, 3 within sixty days after the receipt of certified or registered mail or 4 5 personal service of the notice on the nonmoving party outside of the state. The nonregistering party may seek to vacate the registration, 6 to assert any defense to an allegation of noncompliance with the 7 registered order, or to contest the remedies being sought or the amount 8 9 of any alleged arrearages pursuant to section 607 of this act.
- 10 (2) If the nonregistering party fails to contest the validity or 11 enforcement of the registered order in a timely manner, the order is 12 confirmed by operation of law.
- 13 (3) If a nonregistering party requests a hearing to contest the 14 validity or enforcement of the registered order, the registering 15 tribunal shall schedule the matter for hearing and give notice to the 16 parties by first class mail of the date, time, and place of the 17 hearing.
- 18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 607.** CONTEST OF REGISTRATION OR ENFORCEMENT.
- 19 (1) A party contesting the validity or enforcement of a registered
- 20 order or seeking to vacate the registration has the burden of proving
- 21 one or more of the following defenses:
- 22 (a) The issuing tribunal lacked personal jurisdiction over the 23 contesting party;
- 24 (b) The order was obtained by fraud;

- 25 (c) The order has been vacated, suspended, or modified by a later 26 order;
 - (d) The issuing tribunal has stayed the order pending appeal;
- (e) There is a defense under the law of this state to the remedy sought;
- 30 (f) Full or partial payment has been made; or
- 31 (g) The statute of limitation under section 604 of this act 32 precludes enforcement of some or all of the arrearages.
- 33 (2) If a party presents evidence establishing a full or partial 34 defense under subsection (1) of this section, a tribunal may stay 35 enforcement of the registered order, continue the proceeding to permit 36 production of additional relevant evidence, and issue other appropriate 37 orders. An uncontested portion of the registered order may be enforced 38 by all remedies available under the law of this state.

- 1 (3) If the contesting party does not establish a defense under 2 subsection (1) of this section to the validity or enforcement of the 3 order, the registering tribunal shall issue an order confirming the 4 order.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 608. CONFIRMED ORDER. Confirmation of a registered order, whether by operation of law or after notice and hearing, precludes further contest of the order with respect to any matter that could have been asserted at the time of registration.

9 PART C REGISTRATION AND MODIFICATION OF CHILD SUPPORT ORDER

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 609. PROCEDURE TO REGISTER CHILD SUPPORT ORDER 10 OF ANOTHER STATE FOR MODIFICATION. A party or support enforcement 11 12 agency seeking to modify, or to modify and enforce, a child support 13 order issued in another state shall register that order in this state 14 in the same manner provided in Part A of this article if the order has not been registered. A petition for modification may be filed at the 15 16 same time as a request for registration, or later. The pleading must 17 specify the grounds for modification.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 610. EFFECT OF REGISTRATION FOR MODIFICATION.

 A tribunal of this state may enforce a child support order of another

 state registered for purposes of modification, in the same manner as if

 the order had been issued by a tribunal of this state, but the

 registered order may be modified only if the requirements of section

 611 of this act have been met.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 611. MODIFICATION OF CHILD SUPPORT ORDER OF ANOTHER STATE. (1) After a child support order issued in another state has been registered in this state, the responding tribunal of this state may modify that order only if, after notice and hearing, it finds that:
- 29 (a) The following requirements are met:
- 30 (i) The child, the individual obligee, and the obligor do not 31 reside in the issuing state;
- 32 (ii) A petitioner who is a nonresident of this state seeks 33 modification; and

- 1 (iii) The respondent is subject to the personal jurisdiction of the 2 tribunal of this state; or
- 3 (b) An individual party or the child is subject to the personal 4 jurisdiction of the tribunal and all of the individual parties have 5 filed a written consent in the issuing tribunal providing that a 6 tribunal of this state may modify the support order and assume 7 continuing, exclusive jurisdiction over the order.
- 8 (2) Modification of a registered child support order is subject to 9 the same requirements, procedures, and defenses that apply to the 10 modification of an order issued by a tribunal of this state and the 11 order may be enforced and satisfied in the same manner.
- 12 (3) A tribunal of this state may not modify any aspect of a child 13 support order that may not be modified under the law of the issuing 14 state. A tribunal of this state may not modify a support order for 15 postsecondary educational support of a child eighteen years of age or 16 over.
- 17 (4) On issuance of an order modifying a child support order issued 18 in another state, a tribunal of this state becomes the tribunal of 19 continuing, exclusive jurisdiction.
- 20 (5) Within thirty days after issuance of a modified child support 21 order, the party obtaining the modification shall file a certified copy 22 of the order with the issuing tribunal which had continuing, exclusive 23 jurisdiction over the earlier order, and in each tribunal in which the 24 party knows that earlier order has been registered.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 612. RECOGNITION OF ORDER MODIFIED IN ANOTHER STATE. A tribunal of this state shall recognize a modification of its earlier child support order by a tribunal of another state that assumed jurisdiction pursuant to a law substantially similar to this chapter and, upon request, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, shall:
- 30 (1) Enforce the order that was modified only as to amounts accruing 31 before the modification;
 - (2) Enforce only nonmodifiable aspects of that order;

- 33 (3) Provide other appropriate relief only for violations of that 34 order which occurred before the effective date of the modification; 35 and
- 36 (4) Recognize the modifying order of the other state, upon 37 registration, for the purpose of enforcement except a tribunal of this 38 state shall not establish, enforce, or modify a support order for

1 postsecondary educational support of a child eighteen years of age or 2 over.

ARTICLE 7 DETERMINATION OF PARENTAGE

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 701. PROCEEDING TO DETERMINE PARENTAGE. (1) A 4 tribunal of this state may serve as an initiating or responding 5 6 tribunal in a proceeding brought under this chapter or a law 7 substantially similar to this chapter, the Uniform Reciprocal 8 Enforcement of Support Act, or the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act to determine that the petitioner is a parent 9 10 of a particular child or to determine that a respondent is a parent of 11 that child.
- (2) In a proceeding to determine parentage, a responding tribunal of this state shall apply the Uniform Parentage Act, chapter 26.26 RCW, procedural and substantive law of this state, and the rules of this state on choice of law.

16 ARTICLE 8 INTERSTATE RENDITION

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 801. GROUNDS FOR RENDITION. (1) For purposes of this article, "governor" includes an individual performing the functions of governor or the executive authority of a state covered by this chapter.
- 21 (2) The governor of this state may:
- (a) Demand that the governor of another state surrender an individual found in the other state who is charged criminally in this state with having failed to provide for the support of an obligee; or
- (b) On the demand by the governor of another state, surrender an individual found in this state who is charged criminally in the other state with having failed to provide for the support of an obligue.
- (3) A provision for extradition of individuals not inconsistent with this chapter applies to the demand even if the individual whose surrender is demanded was not in the demanding state when the crime was allegedly committed and has not fled from the demanding state.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 802. CONDITIONS OF RENDITION. (1) Before making demand that the governor of another state surrender an individual charged criminally in this state with having failed to

provide for the support of an obligee, the governor of this state may require a prosecutor of this state to demonstrate that at least sixty days previously the obligee had initiated proceedings for support 4 pursuant to this chapter or that the proceeding would be of no avail.

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- (2) If, under this chapter or a law substantially similar to this chapter, the Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, or the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the governor of another state makes a demand that the governor of this state surrender an individual charged criminally in that state with having failed to provide for the support of a child or other individual to whom a duty of support is owed, the governor may require a prosecutor to investigate the demand and report whether a proceeding for support has been initiated or would be effective. If it appears that a proceeding would be effective but has not been initiated, the governor may delay honoring the demand for a reasonable time to permit the initiation of a proceeding.
- 17 (3) If a proceeding for support has been initiated and the individual whose rendition is demanded prevails, the governor may 18 19 decline to honor the demand. If the petitioner prevails and the individual whose rendition is demanded is subject to a support order, 20 the governor may decline to honor the demand if the individual is 21 22 complying with the support order.

23 ARTICLE 9 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 24 NEW SECTION. Sec. 901. UNIFORMITY OF APPLICATION AND This chapter shall be applied and construed to 25 CONSTRUCTION. effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law with respect to 26 the subject of this chapter among states enacting it. 27
- 28 NEW SECTION. Sec. 902. SHORT TITLE. This chapter may be cited as the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act. 29
- 30 NEW SECTION. Sec. 903. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of 31 this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision 32 to other persons or circumstances is not affected. 33

NEW SECTION. Sec. 904. REPEALS. The following acts or parts of 1 2 acts are each repealed: 3 (1) RCW 26.21.010 and 1972 ex.s. c 31 s 1, 1963 c 45 s 1, & 1951 c 4 196 s 2; 5 (2) RCW 26.21.020 and 1951 c 196 s 3; (3) RCW 26.21.030 and 1963 c 45 s 2 & 1951 c 196 s 4; 6 7 (4) RCW 26.21.040 and 1963 c 45 s 3 & 1951 c 196 s 5; 8 (5) RCW 26.21.050 and 1971 ex.s. c 46 s 30, 1963 c 45 s 4, & 1951 9 c 196 s 6; 10 (6) RCW 26.21.060 and 1963 c 45 s 5 & 1951 c 196 s 7; (7) RCW 26.21.070 and 1963 c 45 s 6 & 1951 c 196 s 8; 11 (8) RCW 26.21.080 and 1963 c 45 s 7 & 1951 c 196 s 9; 12 (9) RCW 26.21.090 and 1963 c 45 s 8 & 1951 c 196 s 10; 13 14 (10) RCW 26.21.092 and 1963 c 45 s 9; 15 (11) RCW 26.21.094 and 1963 c 45 s 10; 16 (12) RCW 26.21.100 and 1963 c 45 s 11 & 1951 c 196 s 11; 17 (13) RCW 26.21.102 and 1963 c 45 s 12; 18 (14) RCW 26.21.104 and 1963 c 45 s 13; 19 (15) RCW 26.21.106 and 1963 c 45 s 14; (16) RCW 26.21.110 and 1963 c 45 s 15 & 1951 c 196 s 12; 20 (17) RCW 26.21.112 and 1963 c 45 s 16; 21 (18) RCW 26.21.114 and 1963 c 45 s 17; 22 (19) RCW 26.21.116 and 1963 c 45 s 18; 23 24 (20) RCW 26.21.120 and 1963 c 45 s 19 & 1951 c 196 s 13; 25 (21) RCW 26.21.130 and 1963 c 45 s 20 & 1951 c 196 s 14; 26 (22) RCW 26.21.140 and 1987 c 435 s 24, 1963 c 45 s 21, & 1951 c 27 196 s 15; 28 (23) RCW 26.21.150 and 1987 c 435 s 25, 1963 c 45 s 22, & 1951 c 29 196 s 16; 30 (24) RCW 26.21.160 and 1987 c 435 s 26, 1963 c 45 s 23, & 1951 c 31 32 (25) RCW 26.21.170 and 1963 c 45 s 24 & 1951 c 196 s 18; (26) RCW 26.21.180 and 1963 c 45 s 25; 33 34 (27) RCW 26.21.190 and 1963 c 45 s 26; 35 (28) RCW 26.21.200 and 1963 c 45 s 27; 36 (29) RCW 26.21.210 and 1963 c 45 s 28; 37 (30) RCW 26.21.220 and 1963 c 45 s 29; (31) RCW 26.21.230 and 1991 c 367 s 37 & 1963 c 45 s 30; 38

(32) RCW 26.21.240 and 1963 c 45 s 31;

- 1 (33) RCW 26.21.250 and 1963 c 45 s 32;
- 2 (34) RCW 26.21.260 and 1963 c 45 s 33;
- 3 (35) RCW 26.21.270 and 1963 c 45 s 34; and
- 4 (36) RCW 26.21.900 and 1951 c 196 s 1.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 905.** CODIFICATION. Sections 101 through 903
- 6 of this act are each added to chapter 26.21 RCW.
- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 906.** CAPTIONS, PART HEADINGS, AND ARTICLE
- 8 DESIGNATIONS NOT LAW. Captions, part headings, and article
- 9 designations as used in this act constitute no part of the law.
- 10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 907.** EFFECTIVE DATE. This act shall take
- 11 effect July 1, 1994."
- 12 **SHB 1560** S COMM AMD
- 13 By Committee on Law & Justice
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- On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "support act;" strike the
- 16 remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter 26.21
- 17 RCW; creating a new section; repealing RCW 26.21.010, 26.21.020,
- 18 26.21.030, 26.21.040, 26.21.050, 26.21.060, 26.21.070, 26.21.080,
- 19 26.21.090, 26.21.092, 26.21.094, 26.21.100, 26.21.102, 26.21.104,
- 20 26.21.106, 26.21.110, 26.21.112, 26.21.114, 26.21.116, 26.21.120,
- 21 26.21.130, 26.21.140, 26.21.150, 26.21.160, 26.21.170, 26.21.180,
- 22 26.21.190, 26.21.200, 26.21.210, 26.21.220, 26.21.230, 26.21.240,
- 23 26.21.250, 26.21.260, 26.21.270, and 26.21.900; and providing an
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