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By House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Anderson, Wang, Reams, Veloria, Valle, R. Fisher, Springer, Orr and Conway; by request of Department of General Administration)

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1 AN ACT Relating to mail functions of state government; adding new
2 sections to chapter 43.19 RCW; creating a new section; providing an
3 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the legislature to
6 consolidate mail functions for state government in a manner that will
7 provide timely, effective, efficient, and less-costly mail service for
8 state government.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW
10 to read as follows:

11 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
12 this section apply throughout this section and section 3 of this act.

13 (1) "Consolidated mail service" means incoming, outgoing, and
14 internal mail processing.

15 (2) "Department" means the department of general administration.

16 (3) "Director" means the director of the department of general
17 administration.

18 (4) "Agency" means:

1 (a) The office of the governor; and

2 (b) Any office, department, board, commission, or other separate
3 unit or division, however designated, of the state government, together
4 with all personnel thereof: Upon which the statutes confer powers and
5 impose duties in connection with operations of either a governmental or
6 proprietary nature; and that has as its chief executive officer a
7 person or combination of persons such as a commission, board, or
8 council, by law empowered to operate it, responsible either to: (i) No
9 other public officer or (ii) the governor.

10 (5) "Incoming mail" means mail, packages, or similar items received
11 by an agency, through the United States postal service, private carrier
12 services, or other courier services.

13 (6) "Outgoing mail" means mail, packages, or similar items
14 processed for agencies to be sent through the United States postal
15 service, private carrier services, or other courier services.

16 (7) "Internal mail" means mail, packages, or similar items that are
17 delivered or to be delivered to a state agency, the legislature, the
18 supreme court, or the court of appeals, and their officers and
19 employees.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW
21 to read as follows:

22 The director shall establish a consolidated mail service to handle
23 all incoming, outgoing, and internal mail in the 98504 zip code area
24 for agencies in the Olympia, Tumwater, and Lacey area. The director
25 may include additional geographic areas within the consolidated mail
26 service, based upon his or her determination. The department shall
27 also provide mail services to legislative and judicial agencies in the
28 Olympia, Tumwater, and Lacey area upon request.

29 The director may bill state agencies and other entities
30 periodically for mail services rendered.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW
32 to read as follows:

33 All employees classified under chapter 41.06 RCW, the state civil
34 service law, who are transferred to the department of general
35 administration under section 3 of this act will perform their usual
36 duties upon the same terms as formerly, without any loss of rights,
37 subject to any action that may be appropriate thereafter in accordance

1 with the laws and rules governing state civil service. Nothing
2 contained in section 3 of this act may be construed to alter any
3 existing collective bargaining unit or the provisions of any existing
4 collective bargaining agreement until the expiration date of the
5 current agreement or until the bargaining unit has been modified by
6 action of the personnel board as provided by law.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act is necessary for the immediate
8 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
9 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
10 effect July 1, 1993.

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