

2 **SB 6698** - H COMM AMD **ADOPTED 3-05-98**
3 By Committee on Government Administration

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "**Sec. 1.** RCW 43.03.310 and 1995 c 3 s 2 are each amended to read
8 as follows:

9 (1) The citizens' commission on salaries for elected officials
10 shall study the relationship of salaries to the duties of members of
11 the legislature, all elected officials of the executive branch of state
12 government, and all judges of the supreme court, court of appeals,
13 superior courts, and district courts, and shall fix the salary for each
14 respective position.

15 (2) Except as provided otherwise in RCW 43.03.305 and this section,
16 the commission shall be solely responsible for its own organization,
17 operation, and action and shall enjoy the fullest cooperation of all
18 state officials, departments, and agencies.

19 (3) Members of the commission shall receive no compensation for
20 their services, but shall be eligible to receive a subsistence
21 allowance and travel expenses pursuant to RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

22 (4) The members of the commission shall elect a chair from among
23 their number. The commission shall set a schedule of salaries by an
24 affirmative vote of not less than nine members of the commission.

25 (5) The commission shall file its initial schedule of salaries for
26 the elected officials with the secretary of state no later than the
27 first Monday in June, 1987, and shall file a schedule biennially
28 thereafter. Each such schedule shall be filed in legislative bill
29 form, shall be assigned a chapter number and published with the session
30 laws of the legislature, and shall be codified by the statute law
31 committee. The signature of the chair of the commission shall be
32 affixed to each schedule submitted to the secretary of state. The
33 chair shall certify that the schedule has been adopted in accordance
34 with the provisions of state law and with the rules, if any, of the
35 commission. Such schedules shall become effective ninety days after
36 the filing thereof, except as provided in Article XXVIII, section 1 of

1 the state Constitution. State laws regarding referendum petitions
2 shall apply to such schedules to the extent consistent with Article
3 XXVIII, section 1 of the state Constitution.

4 (6) (~~Prior to~~) Before the filing of any salary schedule, the
5 commission shall first develop a proposed salary schedule and then hold
6 no fewer than four (~~public hearings thereon~~) regular meetings as
7 defined by chapter 42.30 RCW to take public testimony on the proposed
8 schedule within the four months immediately preceding the filing. At
9 the last public hearing that is held as a regular meeting on the
10 proposed schedule, the commission shall adopt the salary schedule as
11 originally proposed or as amended at that meeting that will be filed
12 with the secretary of state.

13 (7) All meetings, actions, hearings, and business of the commission
14 shall be subject in full to the open public meetings act, chapter 42.30
15 RCW.

16 (8) Salaries of the officials referred to in subsection (1) of this
17 section that are in effect on January 12, 1987, shall continue until
18 modified by the commission under this section."

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