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HOUSE BILL 1312

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- AN ACT Relating to the joint administrative rules review committee;
- 2 and amending RCW 34.05.610.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 34.05.610 and 1998 c 280 s 9 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) ((There is hereby created a)) The joint administrative rules
- 7 review committee <u>is created</u>, which shall be a bipartisan committee
- 8 consisting of four senators $((and))_{\perp}$ four representatives from the
- 9 state legislature, and the lieutenant governor. The lieutenant
- 10 governor may participate in the deliberations and work of the committee
- 11 but may only vote to break a tie vote. The senate members of the
- 12 committee shall be appointed by the president of the senate, and the
- 13 house members of the committee shall be appointed by the speaker of the
- 14 house. Not more than two members from each house may be from the same
- 15 political party. The appointing authorities shall also appoint one
- 16 alternate member from each caucus of each house. All appointments to
- 17 the committee are subject to approval by the caucuses to which the
- 18 appointed members belong.

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(2) <u>Legislative members</u> and alternates shall be appointed as soon as possible after the legislature convenes in regular session in an odd-numbered year, and their terms shall extend until their successors are appointed and qualified at the next regular session of the legislature in an odd-numbered year or until such persons no longer serve in the legislature, whichever occurs first. <u>Legislative members</u> and alternates may be reappointed to the committee.

- (3) On or about January 1, 1999, the president of the senate shall appoint the chairperson and the vice chairperson from among the committee membership. The speaker of the house shall appoint the chairperson and the vice chairperson in alternating even-numbered years beginning in the year 2000 from among the committee membership. The secretary of the senate shall appoint the chairperson and the vice chairperson in the alternating even-numbered years beginning in the year 2002 from among the committee membership. Such appointments shall be made in January of each even-numbered year as soon as possible after a legislative session convenes.
- 18 (4) The chairperson of the committee shall cause all meeting 19 notices and committee documents to be sent to the members and 20 alternates. A <u>legislative</u> vacancy shall be filled by appointment of a 21 legislator from the same political party as the original appointment. 22 The appropriate appointing authority shall make the appointment within 23 thirty days of the vacancy occurring.

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