
SENATE BILL 5462

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By Senators McCaslin and Kastama

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1 AN ACT Relating to term limits for the legislative ethics board;
2 and amending RCW 42.52.310.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.52.310 and 1994 c 154 s 201 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The legislative ethics board is created, composed of nine
7 members, selected as follows:

8 (a) Two senators, one from each of the two largest caucuses,
9 appointed by the president of the senate;

10 (b) Two members of the house of representatives, one from each of
11 the two largest caucuses, appointed by the speaker of the house of
12 representatives;

13 (c) Five citizen members:

14 (i) One citizen member chosen by the governor from a list of three
15 individuals submitted by each of the four legislative caucuses; and

16 (ii) One citizen member selected by three of the four other citizen
17 members of the legislative ethics board.

18 (2) (~~Except for initial members and members completing partial~~

1 ~~terms,~~) Nonlegislative members shall serve a ((single)) five-year term
2 and may be reappointed to an unlimited number of terms.

3 (3) No more than three of the public members may be identified with
4 the same political party.

5 ~~((Terms of initial nonlegislative board members shall be~~
6 ~~staggered as follows: One member shall be appointed to a one year~~
7 ~~term; one member shall be appointed to a two year term; one member~~
8 ~~shall be appointed to a three year term; one member shall be appointed~~
9 ~~to a four year term; and one member shall be appointed for a five year~~
10 ~~term.~~

11 ~~(5))~~) A vacancy on the board shall be filled in the same manner as
12 the original appointment.

13 ~~((6))~~) (5) Legislative members shall serve two-year terms, from
14 January 31st of an odd-numbered year until January 31st of the next
15 odd-numbered year.

16 ~~((7))~~) (6) Each member shall serve for the term of his or her
17 appointment and until his or her successor is appointed.

18 ~~((8))~~) (7) The citizen members shall annually select a chair from
19 among themselves.

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