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AN ACT Relating to modernizing, harmonizing, and improving the 1 2 and accessibility of laws concerning civil protection efficacv 3 orders; amending RCW 7.--.-, 7.--.-, 7.--.-, 9.41.040, 9.41.801, 10.99.045, 26.55.010, 26.55.020, 26.55.030, 4 9.41.075, 5 26.55.040, 26.55.050, 2.28.210, 4.08.050, 4.24.130, 7.77.060, 7.77.080, 9.41.010, 9.41.042, 9.41.070, 9.41.173, 9.94A.411, 6 7 9.94A.515, 9.94A.525, 9.94A.637, 9.94A.660, 9.94A.662, 9.94A.703, 8 9.96.060, 9A.36.041, 9A.40.104, 9A.46.040, 9A.46.060, 9A.46.085, 9 9A.46.110, 9A.88.170, 9A.88.180, 10.01.240, 10.05.020, 10.05.030, 10.22.010, 10.31.100, 10.66.010, 10.95.020, 10.99.040, 10.99.050, 10 10.99.090, 11.92.195, 11.130.257, 11.130.335, 12.04.140, 12.04.150, 11 12 13.40.0357, 13.40.160, 13.40.193, 13.40.265, 19.220.010, 26.09.003, 13 26.09.015, 26.09.050, 26.09.060, 26.09.191, 26.09.300, 26.12.260, 26.12.802, 26.26A.470, 26.26B.020, 26.26B.050, 26.28.015, 26.44.020, 14 36.18.020, 43.43.754, 48.18.550, 15 26.51.020, 26.52.010, 26.52.070, 71.09.305, 71.32.090, 16 49.76.020, 59.18.575, 70.02.230, 70.02.240, 17 71.32.200, 72.09.712, 72.09.714, 74.34.020, 74.34.020, 74.34.110, 18 7.90.150, and 7.92.160; reenacting and amending RCW 9.41.800, 19 9.41.300, 9.94A.030, 10.99.020, 36.28A.410, 41.04.655, 43.43.842, 20 59.18.570, and 71.32.260; adding a new section to chapter 9.41 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 26.55 RCW; adding a new section to 21 22 chapter 43.20A RCW; adding a new section to chapter 70.123 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 9A.44 RCW; adding a new section to 23

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    prescribing penalties; providing effective dates; and providing
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    expiration dates.
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27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

28 PART I
29 FINDINGS, INTENT, AND DEFINITIONS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. FINDINGS AND INTENT. (1) Washington state has been a national leader in adopting legal protections to prevent and respond to abuse, violence, harassment, stalking, neglect, or other threatening behavior, through the enactment of different types of civil protection orders, which are intended to provide a fast, efficient means to obtain protection against perpetrators of these harms.

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(2) Washington state has enacted six different types of civil protection orders: (a) Domestic violence protection orders, adopted by the legislature in 1984; (b) vulnerable adult protection orders, adopted by the legislature in 1986; (c) antiharassment protection orders, adopted by the legislature in 1987; (d) sexual assault protection orders, adopted by the legislature in 2006; (e) stalking protection orders, adopted by the legislature in 2013; and (f) extreme risk protection orders, enacted by a vote of the people through Initiative Measure No. 1491 in 2016.

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- (3) These civil protection orders are essential tools designed to address significant harms impacting individuals as well as communities. The legislature finds that:
- (a) Domestic violence is a problem of immense proportions. About 15 percent of Washington adults report experiencing domestic violence in their lifetime, and women, low-income people, and Black and indigenous communities experience higher rates of domestic violence. When domestic violence victims seek to separate from their abuser, they face increased risks. 45 percent of domestic violence homicides occur within 90 days of a recent separation, while 75 percent occur within the first six months of separation. Domestic violence victims also face increased risks when their abuser has access to firearms. Firearms are used to commit more than half of all intimate partner homicides in the United States. When an abusive partner has access to a gun, a domestic violence victim is 11 times more likely to be killed. Domestic violence has long been recognized as being at the core of other major social problems: Child abuse, other crimes of violence against persons or property, homelessness, and alcohol and drug abuse. Research has identified that adverse childhood experiences such as exposure to domestic violence have long-term negative impacts on health, well-being, and life outcomes, including criminal legal system involvement. Washington state studies have found that domestic violence is the most predictive of future violent crime by the perpetrator. Nationwide, domestic violence costs over \$460,000,000,000 each year for health care, absence from work, services to children, and more. Adolescent dating violence is occurring at increasingly high rates, and preventing and confronting adolescent violence is important in preventing future violence in adult relationships. Domestic violence should not be minimized or dismissed based on any mental health diagnoses of the perpetrator or the victim. To the contrary, the presence of mental health concerns

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or substance use of either party increases the likelihood of serious injury and lethality. The legislature finds that it is in the public interest to improve the lives of persons being victimized by the acts and dynamics of domestic violence, to require reasonable, coordinated measures to prevent domestic violence from occurring, and to respond effectively to secure the safety of survivors of domestic violence;

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- (b) Sexual assault is the most heinous crime against another person short of murder. Sexual assault inflicts humiliation, degradation, and terror on victims. The perpetrator's age, gender, or relationship does not define the seriousness. According to the centers for disease control and prevention, one in six men, one in three women, and one in two nonbinary persons will experience sexual violence in their lifetime. Because of the stigma of a sexual assault and trauma, many victims are afraid or are not ready to report to law enforcement and go through the rigors of the criminal justice Individuals with disabilities; Black and communities; and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and other individuals experience a higher rate of sexual violence. Experiencing a sexual assault is itself a reasonable basis for ongoing fear. Rape is recognized as the most underreported crime; estimates suggest that only one in seven rapes is reported to authorities. Victims who do not report the crime still may need to seek safety and protection from future interactions with the perpetrator and have a right to such safety and protection. Some cases where rape is reported are not prosecuted or do not lead to a conviction. A victim should be able to expediently seek a civil remedy requiring that the perpetrator stay away from the victim, independent of the criminal process and regardless of whether related criminal charges are pending;
- (c) Stalking is a crime that affects 3,400,000 people over the age of 18 each year in the United States. Almost half of victims experience at least one unwanted contact per week. 29 percent of stalking victims fear that the stalking will never stop. The prevalence of anxiety, insomnia, social dysfunction, and severe depression is much higher among stalking victims than among the general population. Research shows that stalking is a significant indication of future lethality. Increased access to technology has also increased methods of stalking. Stalking is distinct from common acts of harassment or nuisance covered by antiharassment orders, and law enforcement agencies need to be able to rely on orders that

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distinguish stalking from acts of harassment or nuisance. Victims who do not report the stalking behavior they are experiencing still may need safety and protection from future interactions with the perpetrator through expedient access to the civil court system, and this protection can be accomplished without infringing on constitutionally protected speech or activity;

- (d) Serious, personal harassment through invasions of a person's privacy by an act, acts, or words showing an intent to coerce, intimidate, or humiliate the victim is increasing. The legislature finds the prevention of such harassment is an important governmental objective, and that victims should have access to a method to prevent further contact between the victim and perpetrator;
- (e) Some adults are vulnerable and may be subject to abuse, neglect, financial exploitation, or abandonment by a family member, care provider, or other person who has a relationship with the vulnerable adult. A vulnerable adult may have physical disabilities, mobility issues, or be otherwise unable to represent himself or herself in court or to retain legal counsel in order to obtain the relief available under this chapter or other protections offered through the courts. A vulnerable adult may lack the ability to perform or obtain those services necessary to maintain his or her well-being because he or she lacks the capacity for consent, and may have health problems that place him or her in a dependent position. The legislature finds the legal tool of protection orders will help prevent abuse, neglect, exploitation, or abandonment of vulnerable adults; and
- (f) Every year, over 100,000 persons in our country are victims of gunshot wounds and 38,000 individuals lose their lives from gun violence. On average, there are over 100 gun deaths each day, 61 percent of which are suicides. In Washington state, the suicide rate is on average 10 percent higher. Extreme risk protection orders allow for the temporary removal of the most lethal means of suicide from the situation, saving lives of those at risk. Studies show that individuals who engage in certain dangerous behaviors are significantly more likely to commit violence toward themselves or others in the near future. These behaviors, which can include other acts or threats of violence, self-harm, or the abuse of drugs or alcohol, are warning signs that the person may soon commit an act of violence. Individuals who pose a danger to themselves or others often exhibit signs that alert family, household members, or law

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enforcement to the threat. Restricting firearms access in these moments of crisis is an important way to prevent gun violence and save lives. Many mass shooters displayed warning signs prior to their killings, but federal and state laws provided no clear legal process to suspend the shooters' access to guns, even temporarily. enacting the extreme risk protection order, the people intended to reduce gun deaths and injuries, while respecting constitutional rights, by providing a procedure for family, household members, and law enforcement to obtain a court order temporarily preventing individuals who are at high risk of harming themselves or others from accessing firearms when there is demonstrated evidence that the individuals pose a significant danger, including danger as a result of threatening or violent behavior. Additionally, extreme risk protection orders may provide protections from firearm risks for individuals who are not eligible to petition for other types of protection orders. Extreme risk protection orders are intended to be limited to situations in which individuals pose a significant danger of harming themselves or others by possessing a firearm, having immediate access to a firearm, or having expressed intent to obtain a firearm, and include standards and safeguards to protect the rights of respondents and due process of law. Temporarily removing firearms under these circumstances is an important tool to prevent suicide, homicide, and community violence.

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(4) The legislature finds that all of these civil protection orders are essential tools that can increase safety for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, abuse of vulnerable adults, unlawful harassment, and threats of gun violence to obtain immediate protection for themselves apart from the criminal legal system. Victims are in the best position to know what their safety needs are and should be able to seek these crucial protections without having to rely on the criminal legal system process. The legislature further finds the surrender of firearms in civil protection orders is critical to public health. In keeping with the harm reduction approach of this lifesaving tool, the legislature finds that it is appropriate to allow for immunity from prosecution for certain offenses when appropriate and necessary to overcome an assertion of a constitutional privilege against self-incrimination that would otherwise prevent a court from enforcing an order to surrender and prohibit firearms.

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legislature further finds the need to clarify and simplify these 2 civil protection order statutes to make them more understandable and 3 accessible to victims seeking relief and to respondents who are 4 subject to the court process. An efficient and effective civil 5 6 process can provide necessary relief many victims require in order to escape and prevent harm. Clarification and simplification of the 7 statutes will aid petitioners, respondents, law enforcement, and 8 judicial officers in their application, help to eliminate procedural 9 10 inconsistencies, modernize practices, provide better access justice for those most marginalized, increase compliance, and improve 11 12 identified problem areas within the statutes. Those who participate in the protection order process often find it difficult to navigate 13 the statutes, which were adopted at different times and contain 14 15 differing jurisdictional approaches, procedures, definitions, and types of relief offered, among other differences, all of which can 16 17 create barriers and cause confusion. Harmonizing and standardizing provisions where there is not a need for a specific, different 18 approach can provide more uniformity among the laws and significantly 19 reduce these obstacles. 20

To better achieve these important public purposes, the

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The legislature finds that these improvements are needed to help ensure that protection orders and corresponding court processes are more easily accessible to all litigants, particularly parties who may experience higher barriers to accessing justice.

(6) The legislature finds that advances in technology have made it increasingly possible to file petitions, effect service of process, and conduct hearings in protection order proceedings through more efficient and accessible means, while upholding constitutional due process requirements. These include using approaches such as online filing of petitions, electronic service of protection orders, and video and telephonic hearings to maintain and improve access to the courts. These alternatives can help make protection order processes more accessible, effective, timely, and procedurally just, particularly in situations where there are emergent risks. The legislature finds that it would be helpful for petitioners, respondents, judicial officers, court personnel, law enforcement, advocates, counsel, and others to have these new tools enacted into statute and made readily available in every court, with statewide best practices created for their use, specific to the context of civil protection orders. The legislature further finds that it is

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important to modernize other aspects of the civil protection order statutes to reflect current trends, and to provide for data collection and research in these areas of the law.

- (7) The legislature further finds that in order to improve the efficacy of, accessibility to, and understanding of, civil protection orders, the six different civil protection orders in Washington state should be included in a single chapter of the Revised Code of Washington.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** DEFINITIONS. The definitions in this 10 section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly 11 requires otherwise.
 - (1) "Abandonment" means action or inaction by a person or entity with a duty of care for a vulnerable adult that leaves the vulnerable adult without the means or ability to obtain necessary food, clothing, shelter, or health care.
 - (2) "Abuse," for the purposes of a vulnerable adult protection order, means intentional, willful, or reckless action or inaction that inflicts injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation, or punishment on a vulnerable adult. In instances of abuse of a vulnerable adult who is unable to express or demonstrate physical harm, pain, or mental anguish, the abuse is presumed to cause physical harm, pain, or mental anguish. "Abuse" includes sexual abuse, mental abuse, physical abuse, personal exploitation, and improper use of restraint against a vulnerable adult, which have the following meanings:
 - (a) "Improper use of restraint" means the inappropriate use of chemical, physical, or mechanical restraints for convenience or discipline, or in a manner that: (i) Is inconsistent with federal or state licensing or certification requirements for facilities, hospitals, or programs authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW; (ii) is not medically authorized; or (iii) otherwise constitutes abuse under this section.
 - (b) "Mental abuse" means an intentional, willful, or reckless verbal or nonverbal action that threatens, humiliates, harasses, coerces, intimidates, isolates, unreasonably confines, or punishes a vulnerable adult. "Mental abuse" may include ridiculing, yelling, swearing, or withholding or tampering with prescribed medications or their dosage.

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(c) "Personal exploitation" means an act of forcing, compelling, or exerting undue influence over a vulnerable adult causing the vulnerable adult to act in a way that is inconsistent with relevant past behavior, or causing the vulnerable adult to perform services for the benefit of another.

- (d) "Physical abuse" means the intentional, willful, or reckless action of inflicting bodily injury or physical mistreatment. "Physical abuse" includes, but is not limited to, striking with or without an object, slapping, pinching, strangulation, suffocation, kicking, shoving, or prodding.
- (e) "Sexual abuse" means any form of nonconsensual sexual conduct including, but not limited to, unwanted or inappropriate touching, rape, molestation, indecent liberties, sexual coercion, sexually explicit photographing or recording, voyeurism, indecent exposure, and sexual harassment. "Sexual abuse" also includes any sexual conduct between a staff person, who is not also a resident or client, of a facility or a staff person of a program authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW, and a vulnerable adult living in that facility or receiving service from a program authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW, whether or not the sexual conduct is consensual.
- (3) "Chemical restraint" means the administration of any drug to manage a vulnerable adult's behavior in a way that reduces the safety risk to the vulnerable adult or others, has the temporary effect of restricting the vulnerable adult's freedom of movement, and is not standard treatment for the vulnerable adult's medical or psychiatric condition.
- (4) "Coercive control" means a pattern of behavior that in purpose or effect unreasonably interferes with a person's free will and personal liberty and is used to cause another to suffer physical or psychological harm. Examples of coercive control include, but are not limited to, unreasonably engaging in any of the following:
- (a) Making threats of harm, dependence, isolation, intimidation, and/or physical forms of violence;
- 34 (b) Isolating the other party from friends, relatives, or other 35 sources of support;
- 36 (c) Depriving the other party of basic necessities or committing 37 other forms of economic abuse;
- 38 (d) Controlling, regulating, or monitoring the other party's 39 movements, communications, daily behavior, finances, economic 40 resources, or access to services;

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- (e) Compelling the other party by force, threat of force, or intimidation, including threats based on actual or suspected immigration status such as threats to contact federal agencies, to engage in conduct from which the other party has a right to abstain or to abstain from conduct in which the other party has a right to engage;
- (f) Using technology, including, but not limited to, cyberstalking, monitoring, surveillance, impersonation, or distribution of intimate images, to harass, stalk, or abuse;
- (g) Engaging in vexatious or abusive litigation against a petitioner to harass, coerce, or control the petitioner; to diminish or exhaust the petitioner's financial resources; or to compromise the petitioner's employment or housing;
 - (h) Engaging in psychological aggression; and

- 15 (i) Frightening, humiliating, degrading, or punishing the other 16 party.
 - (5) "Consent" in the context of sexual acts means that at the time of sexual contact, there are actual words or conduct indicating freely given agreement to that sexual contact. Consent must be ongoing and may be revoked at any time. Conduct short of voluntary agreement does not constitute consent as a matter of law. Consent cannot be freely given when a person does not have capacity due to disability, intoxication, or age. Consent cannot be freely given when the other party has authority or control over the care or custody of a person incarcerated or detained.
 - (6) (a) "Course of conduct" means a pattern of conduct composed of a series of acts over a period of time, however short, evidencing a continuity of purpose. "Course of conduct" includes any form of communication, contact, or conduct, including the sending of an electronic communication, but does not include constitutionally protected free speech. Constitutionally protected activity is not included within the meaning of "course of conduct."
 - (b) In determining whether the course of conduct serves any legitimate or lawful purpose, a court should consider whether:
 - (i) Any current contact between the parties was initiated by the respondent only or was initiated by both parties;
- 37 (ii) The respondent has been given clear notice that all further 38 contact with the petitioner is unwanted;
- 39 (iii) The respondent's course of conduct appears designed to 40 alarm, annoy, or harass the petitioner;

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- 1 (iv) The respondent is acting pursuant to any statutory authority 2 including, but not limited to, acts which are reasonably necessary 3 to:
 - (A) Protect property or liberty interests;
 - (B) Enforce the law; or

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- (C) Meet specific statutory duties or requirements;
- (v) The respondent's course of conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with the petitioner's privacy or the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive living environment for the petitioner; or
- 11 (vi) Contact by the respondent with the petitioner or the 12 petitioner's family has been limited in any manner by any previous 13 court order.
- 14 (7) "Court clerk" means court administrators in courts of limited 15 jurisdiction and elected court clerks.
 - (8) "Dating relationship" means a social relationship of a romantic nature. Factors that the court may consider in making this determination include: (a) The length of time the relationship has existed; (b) the nature of the relationship; and (c) the frequency of interaction between the parties.
 - (9) "Domestic violence" means:
 - (a) Physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of fear of physical harm, bodily injury, or assault; nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration; coercive control; unlawful harassment; or stalking of one intimate partner by another intimate partner; or
 - (b) Physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of fear of physical harm, bodily injury, or assault; nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration; coercive control; unlawful harassment; or stalking of one family or household member by another family or household member.
- 32 (10) "Electronic monitoring" has the same meaning as in RCW 33 9.94A.030.
- 34 (11) "Essential personal effects" means those items necessary for 35 a person's immediate health, welfare, and livelihood. "Essential 36 personal effects" includes, but is not limited to, clothing, cribs, 37 bedding, medications, personal hygiene items, cellular phones and 38 other electronic devices, and documents, including immigration, 39 health care, financial, travel, and identity documents.

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(12) "Facility" means a residence licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW, assisted living facilities; chapter 18.51 RCW, nursing homes; chapter 70.128 RCW, adult family homes; chapter 72.36 RCW, soldiers' homes; chapter 71A.20 RCW, residential habilitation centers; or any other facility licensed or certified by the department of social and health services.

- (13) "Family or household members" means: (a) Persons related by blood, marriage, domestic partnership, or adoption; (b) persons who currently or formerly resided together; (c) persons who have a biological or legal parent-child relationship, including stepparents and stepchildren and grandparents and grandchildren, or a parent's intimate partner and children; and (d) a person who is acting or has acted as a legal guardian.
- (14) "Financial exploitation" means the illegal or improper use of, control over, or withholding of, the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult by any person or entity for any person's or entity's profit or advantage other than for the vulnerable adult's profit or advantage. "Financial exploitation" includes, but is not limited to:
- (a) The use of deception, intimidation, or undue influence by a person or entity in a position of trust and confidence with a vulnerable adult to obtain or use the property, income, resources, government benefits, health insurance benefits, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult for the benefit of a person or entity other than the vulnerable adult;
- (b) The breach of a fiduciary duty, including, but not limited to, the misuse of a power of attorney, trust, or a guardianship or conservatorship appointment, that results in the unauthorized appropriation, sale, or transfer of the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult for the benefit of a person or entity other than the vulnerable adult; or
- (c) Obtaining or using a vulnerable adult's property, income, resources, or trust funds without lawful authority, by a person or entity who knows or clearly should know that the vulnerable adult lacks the capacity to consent to the release or use of the vulnerable adult's property, income, resources, or trust funds.
- (15) "Firearm" means a weapon or device from which a projectile or projectiles may be fired by an explosive such as gunpowder. "Firearm" does not include a flare gun or other pyrotechnic visual distress signaling device, or a powder-actuated tool or other device

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designed solely to be used for construction purposes. "Firearm" also includes parts that can be assembled to make a firearm.

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- (16) "Full hearing" means a hearing where the court determines whether to issue a full protection order.
- (17) "Full protection order" means a protection order that is issued by the court after notice to the respondent and where the parties had the opportunity for a full hearing by the court. "Full protection order" includes a protection order entered by the court by agreement of the parties to resolve the petition for a protection order without a full hearing.
- 11 (18) "Hospital" means a facility licensed under chapter 70.41 or 12 71.12 RCW or a state hospital defined in chapter 72.23 RCW and any 13 employee, agent, officer, director, or independent contractor 14 thereof.
- 15 (19) "Incapacitated person" means a person who is at a significant risk of personal or financial harm under RCW 11.88.010(1) (a), (b), (c), or (d).
 - (20) "Interested person" means a person who demonstrates to the court's satisfaction that the person is interested in the welfare of a vulnerable adult, that the person has a good faith belief that the court's intervention is necessary, and that the vulnerable adult is unable, due to incapacity, undue influence, or duress at the time the petition is filed, to protect his or her own interests.
 - (21) "Intimate partner" means: (a) Spouses or domestic partners; (b) former spouses or former domestic partners; (c) persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time; or (d) persons who have or have had a dating relationship where both persons are at least 13 years of age or older.
- 30 (22)(a) "Isolate" or "isolation" means to restrict a person's 31 ability to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with 32 persons of his or her choosing. Isolation may be evidenced by acts 33 including, but not limited to:
- 34 (i) Acts that prevent a person from sending, making, or receiving 35 his or her personal mail, electronic communications, or telephone 36 calls; or
- 37 (ii) Acts that prevent or obstruct a person from meeting with 38 others, such as telling a prospective visitor or caller that the 39 person is not present or does not wish contact, where the statement 40 is contrary to the express wishes of the person.

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(b) The term "isolate" or "isolation" may not be construed in a manner that prevents a guardian or limited guardian from performing his or her fiduciary obligations under chapter 11.92 RCW or prevents a hospital or facility from providing treatment consistent with the standard of care for delivery of health services.

- (23) "Judicial day" means days of the week other than Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays.
- (24) "Mechanical restraint" means any device attached or adjacent to a vulnerable adult's body that the vulnerable adult cannot easily remove that restricts freedom of movement or normal access to the vulnerable adult's body. "Mechanical restraint" does not include the use of devices, materials, or equipment that are (a) medically authorized, as required, and (b) used in a manner that is consistent with federal or state licensing or certification requirements for facilities, hospitals, or programs authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW.
 - (25) "Minor" means a person who is under 18 years of age.
- (26) "Neglect" means: (a) A pattern of conduct or inaction by a person or entity with a duty of care that fails to provide the goods and services that maintain the physical or mental health of a vulnerable adult, or that fails to avoid or prevent physical or mental harm or pain to a vulnerable adult; or (b) an act or omission by a person or entity with a duty of care that demonstrates a serious disregard of consequences of such a magnitude as to constitute a clear and present danger to the vulnerable adult's health, welfare, or safety including, but not limited to, conduct prohibited under RCW 9A.42.100.
 - (27) "Nonconsensual" means a lack of freely given consent.
- (28) "Nonphysical contact" includes, but is not limited to, written notes, mail, telephone calls, email, text messages, contact through social media applications, contact through other technologies, and contact through third parties.
- (29) "Petitioner" means any named petitioner or any other person identified in the petition on whose behalf the petition is brought.
- (30) "Physical restraint" means the application of physical force without the use of any device, for the purpose of restraining the free movement of a vulnerable adult's body. "Physical restraint" does not include (a) briefly holding, without undue force, a vulnerable adult in order to calm or comfort him or her, or (b) holding a

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vulnerable adult's hand to safely escort him or her from one area to another.

- (31) "Possession" means having an item in one's custody or control. Possession may be either actual or constructive. Actual possession occurs when the item is in the actual physical custody of the person charged with possession. Constructive possession occurs when there is no actual physical possession, but there is dominion and control over the item.
- 9 (32) "Respondent" means the person who is identified as the 10 respondent in a petition filed under this chapter.
 - (33) "Sexual conduct" means any of the following:

- (a) Any intentional or knowing touching or fondling of the genitals, anus, or breasts, directly or indirectly, including through clothing;
- (b) Any intentional or knowing display of the genitals, anus, or breasts for the purposes of arousal or sexual gratification of the respondent;
 - (c) Any intentional or knowing touching or fondling of the genitals, anus, or breasts, directly or indirectly, including through clothing, that the petitioner is forced to perform by another person or the respondent;
- (d) Any forced display of the petitioner's genitals, anus, or breasts for the purposes of arousal or sexual gratification of the respondent or others;
 - (e) Any intentional or knowing touching of the clothed or unclothed body of a child under the age of 16, if done for the purpose of sexual gratification or arousal of the respondent or others; or
 - (f) Any coerced or forced touching or fondling by a child under the age of 16, directly or indirectly, including through clothing, of the genitals, anus, or breasts of the respondent or others.
 - (34) "Sexual penetration" means any contact, however slight, between the sex organ or anus of one person by an object, the sex organ, mouth, or anus of another person, or any intrusion, however slight, of any part of the body of one person or of any animal or object into the sex organ or anus of another person including, but not limited to, cunnilingus, fellatio, or anal penetration. Evidence of emission of semen is not required to prove sexual penetration.
 - (35) "Stalking" means any of the following:
 - (a) Any act of stalking as defined under RCW 9A.46.110;

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- (b) Any act of cyberstalking as defined under RCW 9.61.260; or
- (c) Any course of conduct involving repeated or continuing contacts, attempts to contact, monitoring, tracking, surveillance, keeping under observation, disrupting activities in a harassing manner, or following of another person that:
- (i) Would cause a reasonable person to feel intimidated, frightened, under duress, significantly disrupted, or threatened and that actually causes such a feeling;
 - (ii) Serves no lawful purpose; and

- (iii) The respondent knows, or reasonably should know, threatens, frightens, or intimidates the person, even if the respondent did not intend to intimidate, frighten, or threaten the person.
 - (36) "Temporary protection order" means a protection order that is issued before the court has decided whether to issue a full protection order. "Temporary protection order" includes ex parte temporary protection orders, as well as temporary protection orders that are reissued by the court pending the completion of a full hearing to decide whether to issue a full protection order. An "ex parte temporary protection order" means a temporary protection order that is issued without prior notice to the respondent.
 - (37) "Unlawful harassment" means:
 - (a) A knowing and willful course of conduct directed at a specific person that seriously alarms, annoys, harasses, or is detrimental to such person, and that serves no legitimate or lawful purpose. The course of conduct must be such as would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress, and must actually cause substantial emotional distress to the petitioner; or
 - (b) A single act of violence or threat of violence directed at a specific person that seriously alarms, annoys, harasses, or is detrimental to such person, and that serves no legitimate or lawful purpose, which would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress, and must actually cause substantial emotional distress to the petitioner. A single threat of violence must include:

 (i) A malicious and intentional threat as described in RCW 9A.36.080(1)(c); or (ii) the presence of a firearm or other weapon.
 - (38) "Vulnerable adult" includes a person:
- 37 (a) Sixty years of age or older who has the functional, mental, 38 or physical inability to care for himself or herself; or
 - (b) Found incapacitated under chapter 11.88 RCW; or

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- 1 (c) Who has a developmental disability as defined under RCW 71A.10.020; or
 - (d) Admitted to any facility; or

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- 4 (e) Receiving services from home health, hospice, or home care 5 agencies licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 70.127 6 RCW; or
 - (f) Receiving services from a person under contract with the department of social and health services to provide services in the home under chapter 74.09 or 74.39A RCW; or
- 10 (g) Who self-directs his or her own care and receives services 11 from a personal aide under chapter 74.39 RCW.

12 PART II

13 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. REVIEW OF EXISTING COURT JURISDICTION. The legislature finds that there are inconsistencies and differing approaches within existing provisions governing the jurisdictional division of authority and responsibility among superior courts and courts of limited jurisdiction for protection order proceedings addressed by this act. This act retains those jurisdictional differences only as an interim measure, and creates an approach in section 12 of this act to study the existing jurisdictional division and make recommendations on the benefits and ramifications of modifying or consolidating jurisdiction for the protection orders addressed by this act.
- 25 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTION ORDERS AND SEXUAL ASSAULT PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) The superior, district, and 26 27 municipal courts have jurisdiction over domestic violence protection 28 order proceedings and sexual assault protection order proceedings 29 under this chapter. The jurisdiction of district and municipal courts is limited to enforcement of section 56(1) of this act, or the 30 equivalent municipal ordinance, and the issuance and enforcement of 31 temporary orders for protection provided for in section 38 of this 32 33 act if:
- 34 (a) A superior court has exercised or is exercising jurisdiction 35 over a proceeding involving the parties;

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1 (b) The petition for relief under this chapter presents issues of 2 the residential schedule of, and contact with, children of the 3 parties; or

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- (c) The petition for relief under this chapter requests the court to exclude a party from the dwelling which the parties share.
- 6 (2) When the jurisdiction of a district or municipal court is
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 8 order, the district or municipal court shall set the full hearing in
 9 superior court and transfer the case. If the notice and order are not
 10 served on the respondent in time for the full hearing, the issuing
 11 court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court to
 12 extend the temporary protection order.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. STALKING PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) The district courts shall have original jurisdiction and cognizance of stalking protection order proceedings brought under this chapter, except a district court shall transfer such actions and proceedings to the superior court when it is shown that:
- 18 (a) The petitioner, victim, or respondent to the petition is 19 under 18 years of age;
- 20 (b) A superior court has exercised or is exercising jurisdiction 21 over a proceeding involving the parties; or
- (c) The action would have the effect of interfering with a respondent's care, control, or custody of the respondent's minor child.
 - (2) Municipal courts may exercise jurisdiction and cognizance of any stalking protection order proceedings brought under this chapter by adoption of local court rule, except a municipal court shall transfer such actions and proceedings to the superior court when it is shown that:
- 30 (a) The petitioner, victim, or respondent to the petition is 31 under 18 years of age;
 - (b) A superior court has exercised or is exercising jurisdiction over a proceeding involving the parties; or
- 34 (c) The action would have the effect of interfering with a 35 respondent's care, control, or custody of the respondent's minor 36 child.
- 37 (3) Superior courts shall have concurrent jurisdiction to receive 38 the transfer of stalking protection order petitions in cases where a 39 district or municipal court judge makes findings of fact and

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conclusions of law showing that meritorious reasons exist for the transfer. The jurisdiction of district and municipal courts is limited to enforcement of section 56(1) of this act, or the equivalent municipal ordinance, and the issuance and enforcement of temporary protection orders provided for in section 38 of this act if the superior court is exercising jurisdiction over a proceeding under

this chapter involving the parties.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. ANTIHARASSMENT PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) The district courts shall have original jurisdiction and cognizance of antiharassment protection order proceedings brought under this chapter, except the district court shall transfer such actions and proceedings to the superior court when it is shown that:
 - (a) The respondent to the petition is under 18 years of age;
- 14 (b) A superior court has exercised or is exercising jurisdiction 15 over a proceeding involving the parties; or
 - (c) The action would have the effect of interfering with a respondent's care, control, or custody of the respondent's minor child.
 - (2) Municipal courts may exercise jurisdiction and cognizance of antiharassment protection order proceedings brought under this chapter by adoption of local court rule, except the municipal court shall transfer such actions and proceedings to the superior court when it is shown that:
 - (a) The respondent to the petition is under 18 years of age;
 - (b) A superior court has exercised or is exercising jurisdiction over a proceeding involving the parties; or
 - (c) The action would have the effect of interfering with a respondent's care, control, or custody of the respondent's minor child.
 - (3) The civil jurisdiction of district and municipal courts under this section is limited to the issuance and enforcement of temporary protection orders in cases that require transfer to superior court under subsections (1) and (2) of this section. The district or municipal court shall transfer the case to superior court after the temporary protection order is entered.
 - (4) Superior courts shall have concurrent jurisdiction to receive transfer of antiharassment petitions in cases where a district or municipal court judge makes findings of fact and conclusions of law showing that meritorious reasons exist for the transfer.

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- 1 (5) The municipal and district courts shall have jurisdiction and 2 cognizance of any criminal actions brought under section 57 of this 3 act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. VULNERABLE ADULT PROTECTION ORDERS. The superior courts have jurisdiction over vulnerable adult protection order proceedings under this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. 7 Sec. 8. EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. The superior courts have jurisdiction over extreme risk protection order 8 9 proceedings under this chapter. The juvenile court may hear an extreme risk protection order proceeding under this chapter if the 10 respondent is under the age of 18 years. Additionally, district and 11 municipal courts have limited jurisdiction over the issuance and 12 enforcement of temporary extreme risk protection orders issued under 13 14 section 43 of this act. The district or municipal court shall set the 15 full hearing in superior court and transfer the case. If the notice 16 and order are not served on the respondent in time for the full 17 hearing, the issuing court has concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court to extend the temporary extreme risk protection order. 18
- 19 NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. VENUE. An action for a protection order 20 should be filed in the county or municipality where the petitioner resides. The petitioner may also file in the county or municipality 21 22 where an act giving rise to the petition for a protection order 23 occurred; the county or municipality where a child to be protected by 24 the order primarily resides; or the county or municipality where the 25 petitioner resided prior to relocating if relocation was due to the 26 respondent's conduct.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 10.** PERSONAL JURISDICTION OVER NONRESIDENTS.
- 28 (1) In a proceeding in which a petition for a protection order under 29 this chapter is sought, a court of this state may exercise personal 30 jurisdiction over a nonresident individual if:
- 31 (a) The individual is personally served with a petition within 32 this state;
- 33 (b) The individual submits to the jurisdiction of this state by 34 consent, entering a general appearance, or filing a responsive 35 document having the effect of waiving any objection to consent to 36 personal jurisdiction;

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- (c) The act or acts of the individual or the individual's agent giving rise to the petition or enforcement of a protection order occurred within this state;
- (d)(i) The act or acts of the individual or the individual's agent giving rise to the petition or enforcement of a protection order occurred outside this state and are part of an ongoing pattern that has an adverse effect on the petitioner or a member of the petitioner's family or household and the petitioner resides in this state; or
- 10 (ii) As a result of the acts giving rise to the petition or 11 enforcement of a protection order, the petitioner or a member of the 12 petitioner's family or household has sought safety or protection in 13 this state and currently resides in this state; or
 - (e) There is any other basis consistent with RCW 4.28.185 or with the Constitutions of this state and the United States.
 - (2) For jurisdiction to be exercised under subsection (1)(d) of this section, the individual must have communicated with the petitioner or a member of the petitioner's family, directly or indirectly, or made known a threat to the safety of the petitioner or member of the petitioner's family, while the petitioner or member of the petitioner's family resides in this state.
 - (3) For the purposes of this section:

- (a) "Communicated" or "made known" includes the following means: In person, through publication, by mail, telephonically, through an electronic communication site or medium, by text, or through other social media. Communication on any electronic medium that is generally available to any individual residing in the state is sufficient to exercise jurisdiction under subsection (1) (d) of this section.
- (b) An act or acts that "occurred within this state" include an oral or written statement made or published by a person outside of this state to any person in this state by means included in (a) of this subsection, or by means of interstate commerce or foreign commerce.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. OUT-OF-STATE CHILD CUSTODY JURISDICTIONAL ISSUES. Jurisdictional issues regarding out-of-state proceedings involving the custody or residential placement of any child of the parties are governed by the uniform child custody jurisdiction and enforcement act, chapter 26.27 RCW.

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- 1 NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. RECOMMENDATIONS ON JURISDICTION OVER PROTECTION ORDER PROCEEDINGS. (1) The Washington state women's 2 commission, in consultation with the administrative office of the 3 courts and the gender and justice commission, shall consider and 4 develop recommendations regarding the jurisdictional division of 5 6 authority and responsibility among superior courts and courts of 7 limited jurisdiction for protection order proceedings, and the differing approaches to jurisdiction among the types of protection 8 The work shall assess whether jurisdiction should be 9 harmonized, modified, or consolidated to further the stated intent of 10 11 this act. The work shall consider the underlying rationale for the 12 existing jurisdictional division, assess whether the jurisdictional division creates barriers to access, gather data on usage and 13 14 financial costs or savings, and weigh other relevant benefits and ramifications of modifying or consolidating jurisdiction. 15
 - (2) In developing the recommendations, the commission must work with representatives of superior, district, and municipal court judicial officers, court clerks, and administrators, including those with experience in protection order proceedings, as well as advocates and practitioners with expertise in each type of protection order. Participants should include those from both rural and urban jurisdictions.
- 23 (3) The commission shall provide a report of its findings and 24 recommendations to the legislature by December 1, 2021.
 - (4) This section expires January 1, 2022.

26 PART III

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27 FILING

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. FILING—TYPES OF PETITIONS. (1) There exists an action known as a petition for a protection order. The following types of petitions for a protection order may be filed:
 - (a) A petition for a domestic violence protection order, which must allege the existence of domestic violence committed against the petitioner or petitioners by an intimate partner or a family or household member. The petitioner may petition for relief on behalf of himself or herself and on behalf of family or household members who are minors or vulnerable adults. A petition for a domestic violence protection order must specify whether the petitioner and the respondent are intimate partners or family or household members. A

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- petitioner who has been sexually assaulted or stalked by an intimate partner or a family or household member should, but is not required to, seek a domestic violence protection order, rather than a sexual assault protection order or a stalking protection order.
 - (b) A petition for a sexual assault protection order, which must allege the existence of nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration that was committed against the petitioner by the respondent. A petitioner who has been sexually assaulted by an intimate partner or a family or household member should, but is not required to, seek a domestic violence protection order, rather than a sexual assault protection order. A single incident of nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration is sufficient grounds for a petition for a sexual assault protection order. The petitioner may petition for a sexual assault protection order on behalf of:
 - (i) Himself or herself;

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- 17 (ii) A minor child, where the petitioner is the parent, legal 18 quardian, or custodian;
- 19 (iii) A vulnerable adult, where the petitioner is an interested 20 person; or
 - (iv) Any other adult for whom the petitioner demonstrates to the court's satisfaction that the petitioner is interested in the adult's well-being, the court's intervention is necessary, and the adult cannot file the petition because of age, disability, health, or inaccessibility.
 - (c) A petition for a stalking protection order, which must allege the existence of stalking committed against the petitioner or petitioners by the respondent. A petitioner who has been stalked by an intimate partner or a family or household member should, but is not required to, seek a domestic violence protection order, rather than a stalking protection order. The petitioner may petition for a stalking protection order on behalf of:
 - (i) Himself or herself;
 - (ii) A minor child, where the petitioner is the parent, legal quardian, or custodian;
- 36 (iii) A vulnerable adult, where the petitioner is an interested 37 person; or
- (iv) Any other adult for whom the petitioner demonstrates to the court's satisfaction that the petitioner is interested in the adult's well-being, the court's intervention is necessary, and the adult

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cannot file the petition because of age, disability, health, or inaccessibility.

- (d) A petition for a vulnerable adult protection order, which must allege that the petitioner, or person on whose behalf the petition is brought, is a vulnerable adult and that the petitioner, or person on whose behalf the petition is brought, has been abandoned, abused, financially exploited, or neglected, or is threatened with abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect by the respondent. If the petition is filed by an interested person, the affidavit or declaration must also include a statement of why the petitioner qualifies as an interested person.
- (e) A petition for an extreme risk protection order, which must allege that the respondent poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to self or others by having in the respondent's custody or control, purchasing, possessing, accessing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, a firearm. The petition must also identify the number, types, and locations of any firearms the petitioner believes to be in the respondent's current ownership, possession, custody, access, or control. A petition for an extreme risk protection order may be filed by (i) an intimate partner or a family or household member of the respondent; or (ii) a law enforcement agency.
- (f) A petition for an antiharassment protection order, which must allege the existence of unlawful harassment committed against the petitioner or petitioners by the respondent. If a petitioner is seeking relief based on domestic violence, nonconsensual sexual conduct, nonconsensual sexual penetration, or stalking, the petitioner may, but is not required to, seek a domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking protection order, rather than an antiharassment order. The petitioner may petition for an antiharassment protection order on behalf of:
 - (i) Himself or herself;

- (ii) A minor child, where the petitioner is the parent, legal guardian, or custodian;
- 35 (iii) A vulnerable adult, where the petitioner is an interested 36 person; or
- (iv) Any other adult for whom the petitioner demonstrates to the court's satisfaction that the petitioner is interested in the adult's well-being, the court's intervention is necessary, and the adult

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1 cannot file the petition because of age, disability, health, or 2 inaccessibility.

- (2) With the exception of vulnerable adult protection orders, a person under 18 years of age who is 15 years of age or older may seek relief under this chapter as a petitioner and is not required to seek relief through a petition filed on his or her behalf. He or she may also petition on behalf of a family or household member who is a minor if chosen by the minor and capable of pursuing the minor's stated interest in the action.
- (3) A person under 15 years of age who is seeking relief under this chapter is required to seek relief by a person authorized as a petitioner under this section.
- (4) A petition for any type of protection order must not be dismissed or denied on the basis that the conduct alleged by the petitioner would meet the criteria for the issuance of another type of protection order.
- (5) The protection order petition must contain a section where the petitioner, regardless of petition type, may request specific relief provided for in section 39 of this act that the petitioner seeks for himself or herself or for family or household members who are minors. The totality of selected relief, and any other relief the court deems appropriate for the petitioner, or family or household members who are minors, must be considered at the time of entry of temporary protection orders and at the time of entry of full protection orders.
- (6) If a court reviewing the petition for a protection order or a request for a temporary protection order determines that the petition was not filed in the correct court, the court shall enter findings establishing the correct court, and direct the clerk to transfer the petition to the correct court and to provide notice of the transfer to all parties who have appeared.
- (7) Upon filing a petition for a protection order, the petitioner may request that the court enter an ex parte temporary protection order until a hearing on a full protection order may be held. An ex parte temporary protection order shall be effective for a fixed period of time and shall be issued initially for a period not to exceed 14 days.
- (8) The court shall set a hearing for a full protection order not later than 14 days from the date of the filing of the petition for a protection order, if the petition for a protection order is filed

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- 1 before 5:00 p.m. on a judicial day. If a petition for a protection
- 2 order is filed after 5:00 p.m. on a judicial day or is filed on a
- 3 nonjudicial day, the court shall set a hearing for a full protection
- 4 order not later than 14 days from the first judicial day after the
- 5 petition is filed.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. FILING—PROVISIONS GOVERNING ALL PETITIONS. The following apply to all petitions for protection orders under this chapter.
 - (1) (a) Courts in all municipalities and counties must permit petitions for protection orders and all other filings in connection with the petition to be filed either: (i) In person; (ii) remotely through an electronic filing system that is accessible on the websites of every court clerk and through the website for the Washington state courts, or through the use of an alternative online portal; or (iii) by mail for persons who are incarcerated or who are otherwise unable to file in person or remotely through an electronic filing system.
 - (b) Electronic filings for protection orders may be made at any time of the day. The electronic filing system should allow for autoenrollment of the petitioner to electronically track the progress of the petition for a protection order. The electronic filing system should allow for text messaging or email notification alerting the petitioner once the petition has been processed and is under review by a judicial officer; when the order has been signed, entered into the Washington crime information center system, and served upon the respondent; when the firearms have been removed and returned; and reminders for court appearances. Respondents, once served, should be able to sign up for similar electronic notification. The electronic filing system must grant access to the parties and any attorneys of record without charge.
 - (2) Court rules shall address that contact information provided by the petitioner through the filing process, including on the law enforcement information sheet, and contact information of parties and witnesses shall be exempt from public disclosure. A respondent is required to provide his or her contact information to complete a law enforcement information sheet.
 - (3) A petition must be accompanied by a declaration signed under penalty of perjury stating the specific facts and circumstances for

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which relief is sought. Parties, attorneys, and witnesses may electronically sign sworn statements in all filings.

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- (4) The petitioner and the respondent must disclose the existence of any other litigation or of any other restraining, protection, or no-contact orders between the parties, to the extent that such information is known by the petitioner and the respondent. To the extent possible, the court shall take judicial notice of any existing restraining, protection, or no-contact orders between the parties before entering a protection order. The court shall not include provisions in a protection order that would allow the respondent to engage in conduct that is prohibited by another restraining, protection, or no-contact order between the parties that was entered in a different proceeding. The obligation to disclose the existence of any other litigation includes, but is not limited to, the existence of any other litigation concerning the custody or residential placement of a child of the parties as set forth in RCW 26.27.281. The court administrator shall verify for the court the terms of any existing protection order governing the parties.
- (5) The petition may be made regardless of whether or not there is a pending lawsuit, complaint, petition, or other action between the parties, except in cases where the court has realigned the parties in accordance with section 26 of this act.
- (6) Relief under this chapter must not be denied or delayed on the grounds that the relief is available in another action. The court shall not defer acting on a petition for a protection order nor grant a petitioner less than the full relief that the petitioner is otherwise entitled to under this chapter because there is, or could be, another proceeding involving the parties including, but not limited to, any potential or pending family law matter or criminal matter.
- (7) A person's right to petition for relief under this chapter is not affected by the person leaving his or her residence or household.
- (8) A petitioner is not required to post a bond to obtain relief in any proceeding for a protection order.
- (9) No fees for any type of filing or service of process may be charged by a court or any public agency to petitioners seeking relief under this chapter. Courts may not charge petitioners any fees or surcharges the payment of which is a condition precedent to the petitioner's ability to secure access to relief under this chapter. Petitioners shall be provided the necessary number of certified

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copies, forms, and instructional brochures free of charge. A respondent who is served electronically with a protection order shall be provided a certified copy of the order free of charge upon request.

- (10) If the petition states that disclosure of the petitioner's address or other identifying location information would risk harm to the petitioner or any member of the petitioner's family or household, that address may be omitted from all documents filed with the court. If the petitioner has not disclosed an address under this subsection, the petitioner shall designate an alternative address or email address at which the respondent may serve the petitioner.
 - (11) If the court deems it necessary, the court may appoint a guardian ad litem for a petitioner or for a respondent who is under 18 years of age and who is not represented by counsel. If a guardian ad litem is appointed by the court for either or both parties, neither the petitioner nor the respondent shall be required by the court to pay any costs associated with the appointment.
- 18 (12) Minor children must only be referred to in the petition and 19 in all other publicly available filed documents by their initials and 20 age.
 - (13) If a petitioner has requested an ex parte temporary protection order, because these are often emergent situations, the court shall prioritize scheduling and hold an ex parte hearing in person, by telephone, by video, or by other electronic means on the day the petition is filed if possible. Otherwise, it must be heard no later than the following judicial day. The clerk shall ensure that the request for an ex parte temporary protection order is presented timely to a judicial officer as specified in this section.
 - (14) Courts shall not require a petitioner to file duplicative forms. This includes, but is not limited to, a requirement that a petitioner must file both a law enforcement information sheet and a separate confidential information form.
- 33 (15) The Indian child welfare act applies in the following 34 manner.
 - (a) In a proceeding under this chapter where the petitioner seeks to protect a minor and the petitioner is not the minor's parent as defined by RCW 13.38.040, the petition must contain a statement alleging whether the minor is or may be an Indian child as defined in RCW 13.38.040. If the minor is an Indian child, chapter 13.38 RCW and the federal Indian child welfare act, 25 U.S.C. Sec. 1901 et seq.,

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shall apply. A party should allege in the petition if these laws have been satisfied in a prior proceeding and identify the proceeding.

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- 3 (b) Every order entered in any proceeding under this chapter where the petitioner is not a parent of the minor or minors protected 4 by the order must contain a finding that the federal Indian child 5 6 welfare act or chapter 13.38 RCW does or does not apply, or if there is insufficient information to make a determination, the court must 7 make a finding that a determination must be made before a full 8 protection order may be entered. If there is reason to know the child 9 is an Indian child, but the court does not have sufficient evidence 10 to determine that the child is or is not an Indian child, 25 C.F.R. 11 12 Sec. 23.107(b) applies. Where there is a finding that the federal Indian child welfare act or chapter 13.38 RCW does apply, the order 13 finding that all notice, evidentiary 14 must also contain a requirements, and placement preferences under the federal Indian 15 16 child welfare act and chapter 13.38 RCW have been satisfied, or a 17 finding that removal or placement of the child is necessary to prevent imminent physical damage or harm to the child pursuant to 25 18 19 U.S.C. Sec. 1922 and RCW 13.38.140. Where there is a finding that the federal Indian child welfare act or chapter 13.38 RCW does not apply, 20 21 the order must also contain a finding as to why there is no reason to 22 know the child may be an Indian child.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. FILING—PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO SPECIFIED ORDERS. The following apply only to the specific type of protection orders referenced in each subsection.
 - (1) The department of social and health services, in its discretion, may file a petition for a vulnerable adult protection order or a domestic violence protection order on behalf of, and with the consent of, any vulnerable adult. When the department has reason to believe a vulnerable adult lacks the ability or capacity to consent, the department, in its discretion, may seek relief on behalf of the vulnerable adult. Neither the department nor the state of Washington is liable for seeking or failing to seek relief on behalf of any persons under this section. The vulnerable adult shall not be held responsible for any violations of the order by the respondent.
 - (2) If a parent in a proceeding under chapter 13.34 RCW has been directed in connection with the proceeding to seek a protection order against a specific person on behalf of either himself or herself or family or household members who are minors, or both, the parent may

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request that the department of children, youth, and families file such a petition for a protection order on behalf of the parent and applicable family or household members who are minors. The department shall comply with such requests by a parent.

- (3) (a) If the petitioner for an extreme risk protection order is a law enforcement agency, the petitioner shall make a good faith effort to provide notice to an intimate partner or family or household member of the respondent and to any known third party who may be at risk of violence. The notice must state that the petitioner intends to petition the court for an extreme risk protection order or has already done so, and include referrals to appropriate resources, including behavioral health, domestic violence, and counseling resources. The petitioner must attest in the petition to having provided such notice, or attest to the steps that will be taken to provide such notice.
- (b) Recognizing that an extreme risk protection order may need to be issued outside of normal business hours, courts shall allow law enforcement petitioners to petition after hours for a temporary extreme risk protection order using an on-call, after-hours judge, as is done for approval of after-hours search warrants.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 16. DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS—RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FILING AND DATA COLLECTION. (1) The administrative office of the courts shall:
 - (a) By the effective date of this section, develop and distribute standard forms for petitions and orders issued under this chapter, and facilitate the use of online forms for electronic filings.
 - (i) For all protection orders except extreme risk protection orders, the protection order must include, in a conspicuous location, a notice of criminal penalties resulting from a violation of the order, and the following statement: "You can be arrested even if the protected person or persons invite or allow you to violate the order. You alone are responsible for following the order. Only the court may change the order. Requests for changes must be made in writing."
 - (ii) For extreme risk protection orders, the protection order must include, in a conspicuous location, a notice of criminal penalties resulting from a violation of the order, and the following statement: "You have the sole responsibility to avoid or refrain from violating this order's provisions. Only the court may change the order. Requests for changes must be made in writing.";

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(b) By the effective date of this section, develop and distribute instructions and informational brochures regarding protection orders and a court staff handbook on the protection order process, which shall be made available online to view and download at no cost. Developing additional methods to inform the public about protection orders in understandable terms and in languages other than English through videos and social media should also be considered. The instructions, brochures, forms, and handbook must be prepared in consultation with civil legal aid, culturally specific advocacy programs, and domestic violence and sexual assault advocacy programs. The instructions must be designed to assist petitioners in completing the petition, and must include a sample of standard petition and protection order forms. The instructions and standard petition must include a means for the petitioner to identify, with only lay knowledge, the firearms the respondent may own, possess, receive, have access to, or have in the respondent's custody or control. The instructions must provide pictures of types of firearms that the petitioner may choose from to identify the relevant firearms, or an equivalent means to allow petitioners to identify firearms without requiring specific or technical knowledge regarding the firearms. The court staff handbook must allow for the addition of a community resource list by the court clerk. The informational brochure must describe the use of, and the process for, obtaining, renewing, modifying, terminating, and enforcing protection orders as provided under this chapter, as well as the process for obtaining, modifying, terminating, and enforcing an antiharassment no-contact order as provided under chapter 9A.46 RCW, a domestic violence no-contact order as provided under chapter 10.99 RCW, a restraining order as provided under chapters 26.09, 26.26A, 26.26B, and 26.44 RCW, a foreign protection order as defined in chapter 26.52 RCW, and a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in 26.55.010;

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(c) Determine the significant non-English-speaking or limited English-speaking populations in the state. The administrative office of the courts shall then arrange for translation of the instructions and informational brochures required by this section, which must contain a sample of the standard petition and protection order forms, into the languages spoken by at least the top five significant non-English-speaking populations, and shall distribute a master copy of the translated instructions and informational brochures to all court

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- clerks and to the Washington supreme court's interpreter commission, minority and justice commission, and gender and justice commission by the effective date of this section. Such materials must be updated and distributed if needed due to relevant changes in the law;
 - (d) (i) Distribute a master copy of the petition and order forms, instructions, and informational brochures to all court clerks, and distribute a master copy of the petition and order forms to all superior, district, and municipal courts;

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- (ii) By October 1, 2021, in collaboration with civil legal aid attorneys, domestic violence advocates, sexual assault advocates, elder abuse advocates, and judicial officers, develop and distribute a single petition form that a petitioner may use to file for any type of protection order authorized by this chapter, with the exception of extreme risk protection orders;
 - (iii) For extreme risk protection orders, develop and prepare:
- (A) A standard petition and order form for an extreme risk protection order, as well as a standard petition and order form for an extreme risk protection order sought against a respondent under 18 years of age, titled "Extreme Risk Protection Order Respondent Under 18 Years";
- (B) Pattern forms to assist in streamlining the process for those persons who are eligible to seal records relating to an order under (d)(i) of this subsection, including:
- (I) A petition and declaration the respondent can complete to ensure that requirements for public sealing have been met; and
- 26 (II) An order sealing the court records relating to that order; 27 and
 - (C) An informational brochure to be served on any respondent who is subject to a temporary or full protection order under (d)(iii)(A) of this subsection;
 - (e) Update the law enforcement information sheet, which it provides for petitioners who are seeking a temporary protection order, to help prompt the petitioner to disclose on the form whether the person who the petitioner is seeking to restrain has a disability, brain injury, or impairment requiring special assistance; and
- 37 (f) Update the instructions, brochures, standard petition and 38 order for protection forms, and court staff handbook when changes in 39 the law make an update necessary.

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(2) The Washington state women's commission, in consultation with the administrative office of the courts and the gender and justice commission, shall work with representatives of superior, district, and municipal court judicial officers, court clerks, and administrators, including those with experience in protection order proceedings, as well as advocates and practitioners with expertise in each type of protection order, and others with relevant expertise, to develop recommendations for the legislature by December 1, 2021, on the following matters:

- (a) Standards for filing evidence in protection order proceedings in a manner that protects victim safety and privacy, including evidence in the form of text messages, social media messages, voice mails, and other recordings, and the development of a sealed cover sheet for explicit or intimate images and recordings; and
- 15 (b) Requirements for private vendors who provide services related 16 to filing systems for protection orders, as well as what data should 17 be collected.
 - NEW SECTION. Sec. 17. FILING—COURT CLERK DUTIES. (1) All court clerks' offices shall make available the standardized forms, instructions, and informational brochures required by this chapter, and shall fill in and keep current specific program names and telephone numbers for community resources, including civil legal aid and volunteer lawyer programs. Any assistance or information provided by clerks under this chapter, or any assistance or information provided by any person, including court clerks, employees of the department of social and health services, and other court facilitators, to complete the forms provided by the court, does not constitute the practice of law, and clerks are not responsible for incorrect information contained in a petition.
 - (2) All court clerks shall obtain community resource lists as described in (a) and (b) of this subsection, which the court shall make available as part of, or in addition to, the informational brochures described in section 16 of this act.
 - (a) The court clerk shall obtain a community resource list from a domestic violence program and from a sexual assault program serving the county in which the court is located. The community resource list must include the names, telephone numbers, and, as available, website links of domestic violence programs, sexual assault programs, and elder abuse programs serving the community in which the court is

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- located, including law enforcement agencies, domestic violence agencies, sexual assault agencies, civil legal aid programs, elder abuse programs, interpreters, multicultural programs, and batterers' treatment programs. The list must be made available in print and online.
 - (b) The court clerk may create a community resource list of crisis intervention, behavioral health, interpreter, counseling, and other relevant resources serving the county in which the court is located. The clerk may also create a community resource list for respondents to include suicide prevention, treatment options, and resources for when children are involved in protection order cases. Any list shall be made available in print and online.
- (c) Courts may make the community resource lists specified in (a) and (b) of this subsection available as part of, or in addition to, the informational brochures described in subsection (1) of this section, and should translate them into the languages spoken by the county's top five significant non-English-speaking populations.
- (3) Court clerks should not make an assessment of the merits of a petitioner's petition for a protection order or refuse to accept for filing any petition that meets the basic procedural requirements.

21 PART IV 22 SERVICE

NEW SECTION. Sec. 18. SERVICE—METHODS OF SERVICE. (1) To minimize delays and the need for more hearings, which can hinder access to justice and undermine judicial economy, to lessen costs, to guarantee actual notice to the respondent, and to simplify and modernize processes for petitioners, respondents, law enforcement, and the courts, the following methods of service are authorized for protection order proceedings, including petitions, temporary protection orders, reissuances of temporary protection orders, full protection orders, motions to renew protection orders, and motions to modify or terminate protection orders.

(a) Personal service, consistent with court rules for civil proceedings, must be made by law enforcement to mitigate risks, increase safety, and ensure swift recovery of firearms in cases requiring the surrender of firearms, such as extreme risk protection orders and protection orders with orders to surrender weapons; cases that involve transferring the custody of a child or children from the

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respondent to the petitioner; or cases involving vacating the respondent from the parties' shared residence. Personal service should also be used in cases involving a respondent who is incarcerated. Personal service must otherwise be made by law enforcement unless the petitioner elects to have the respondent served by a third party who is not a party to the action and is over 18 years of age and competent to be a witness.

- (b) (i) Service by electronic means, including service by email, text message, social media applications, or other technologies, must be prioritized for all orders at the time of the issuance of temporary protection orders, with the exception of the following cases, for which personal service must be prioritized: (A) Cases requiring the surrender of firearms, such as extreme risk protection orders and protection orders with orders to surrender weapons; (B) cases that involve transferring the custody of a child or children from the respondent to the petitioner; (C) cases involving vacating the respondent from the parties' shared residence; or (D) cases involving a respondent who is incarcerated. Once firearms and concealed pistol licenses have been surrendered and verified by the court, or there is evidence the respondent does not possess firearms, the restrained party has been vacated from the shared residence, or the custody of the child or children has been transferred, per court order, then subsequent motions and orders may be served electronically.
- (ii) Service by electronic means must be effected by a law enforcement officer, unless the petitioner elects to have the respondent served by any person who is not a party to the action, is over 18 years of age and competent to be a witness, and can provide sworn proof of service to the court as required.
- (iii) Electronic service must be effected by transmitting copies of the petition and any supporting materials filed with the petition, notice of hearing, and any orders, or relevant materials for motions, to the respondent at the respondent's electronic address or the respondent's electronic account associated with email, text messaging, social media applications, or other technologies. Verification of receipt may be accomplished through read-receipt mechanisms, a response, a sworn statement from the person who effected service verifying transmission and any follow-up communications such as email or telephone contact used to further verify, or an appearance by the respondent at a hearing. Sworn proof

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of service must be filed with the court by the person who effected service. Service by electronic means is complete upon transmission when made prior to 5:00 p.m. on a judicial day. Service made on a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or after 5:00 p.m. on any other day shall be deemed complete at 9:00 a.m. on the first judicial day thereafter.

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- (c) Service by mail is permitted when electronic service is not possible, and there have been two unsuccessful attempts at personal service or when the petitioner requests it in lieu of electronic service or personal service where personal service is not otherwise required. If electronic service and personal service are not successful, the court shall affirmatively order service by mail without requiring additional motions to be filed by the petitioner. Service by mail must be made by any person who is not a party to the action and is over 18 years of age and competent to be a witness, by mailing copies of the materials to be served to the party to be served at the party's last known address or any other address determined by the court to be appropriate. Two copies must be mailed, postage prepaid, one by ordinary first-class mail and the other by a form of mail requiring a tracking or certified information showing when and where it was delivered. The envelopes must bear the return address of the sender. Service is complete upon the mailing of two copies as prescribed in this section.
- (d) Service by publication is permitted only in those cases where all other means of service have been unsuccessful or are not possible due to lack of any known physical or electronic address of the respondent. Publication must be made in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the petition was brought and in the county of the last known address of the respondent once a week for three consecutive weeks. The newspaper selected must be one of the three most widely circulated papers in the county. The publication of summons must not be made until the court orders service by publication under this section. Service of the summons is considered complete when the publication has been made for three consecutive weeks. The summons must be signed by the petitioner. The summons must contain the date of the first publication, and shall require the respondent upon whom service by publication is desired to appear and answer the petition on the date set for the hearing. The summons must also contain a brief statement of the reason for the petition and a

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2	summons must be essentially in the following form:	
3	In the court of the state of Washington	
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8	The state of Washington to	
9	(respondent):	
10	You are hereby summoned to appear on the	
11	day of, (year), at a.m./p.m., and	
12	respond to the petition. If you fail to respond, a	
13	protection order will be issued against you pursuant to	
14	the provisions of chapter 7 RCW (the new chapter	
15	created in section 81 of this act), for a minimum of one	
16	year from the date you are required to appear. A	
17	temporary protection order has been issued against you,	
18	restraining you from the following: (Insert a brief	
19	statement of the provisions of the temporary protection	
20	order). A copy of the petition, notice of hearing, and	
21	temporary protection order has been filed with the clerk	
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(2) The court may authorize multiple methods of service permitted by this section and may consider use of any address determined by the court to be appropriate in order to authorize service that is reasonably probable to provide actual notice. The court shall favor speedy and cost-effective methods of service to promote prompt and accessible resolution of the merits of the petition.

(3) To promote judicial economy and reduce delays, for respondents who are able to be served electronically, the respondent, or the parent or guardian of the respondent for respondents under the age of 18 or the guardian or conservator of an adult respondent, shall be required to provide his or her electronic address or electronic account associated with an email, text messaging, social media application, or other technology, if it is a contact address

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other than what was provided in the law enforcement information sheet. This must occur at the earliest point at which the respondent, parent, guardian, or conservator is in contact with the court so that electronic service can be effected for all subsequent motions, orders, and hearings.

- (4) If an order entered by the court recites that the respondent appeared before the court, either in person or remotely, the necessity for further service is waived and proof of service of that order is not necessary, including in cases where the respondent leaves the hearing before a final ruling is issued or signed. The court's order, entered after a hearing, need not be served on a respondent who fails to appear before the court for the hearing, if material terms of the order have not changed from those contained in the temporary order, and it is shown to the court's satisfaction that the respondent has previously been served with the temporary order.
- (5) When the respondent for a protection order is under the age of 18 or is an individual subject to a guardianship or conservatorship under Title 11 RCW:
- (a) When the respondent is a minor, service of a petition for a protection order, modification, or renewal, shall be completed, as defined in this chapter, upon both the respondent and the respondent's parent or legal guardian.
- (b) A copy of the protection order must be served on a parent, guardian, or conservator of the respondent at any address where the respondent resides, or the department of children, youth, and families in the case where the respondent is the subject of a dependency or court approved out-of-home placement. A minor respondent shall not be served at the minor respondent's school unless no other address for service is known.
- (c) For extreme risk protection orders, the court shall also provide a parent, guardian, or conservator of the respondent with written notice of the legal obligation to safely secure any firearm on the premises and the potential for criminal prosecution if a prohibited person were to obtain access to any firearm. This notice may be provided at the time the parent, guardian, or conservator of the respondent appears in court or may be served along with a copy of the order, whichever occurs first.
- (6) The court shall not dismiss, over the objection of a petitioner, a petition for a protection order or a motion to renew a protection order based on the inability of law enforcement or the

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1 petitioner to serve the respondent, unless the court determines that 2 all available methods of service have been attempted unsuccessfully.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 19. SERVICE BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. When service is to be completed under this chapter by a law enforcement officer:
- (1) The clerk of the court shall have a copy of any order issued under this chapter, as well as the petition for a protection order and any supporting materials, electronically forwarded on or before the next judicial day to the law enforcement agency specified in the order for service upon the respondent;
- (2) Service of an order issued under this chapter must take precedence over the service of other documents by law enforcement unless they are of a similar emergency nature;
- (3) Where personal service is required, the first attempt at service must occur within 24 hours of receiving the order from the court whenever practicable, but not more than five days after receiving the order. If the first attempt is not successful, no fewer than two additional attempts should be made to serve the order, particularly for respondents who present heightened risk of lethality or other risk of physical harm to the petitioner or petitioner's family or household members. Law enforcement shall document all attempts at service on a return of service form and submit it to the court in a timely manner;
- (4) If service cannot be completed within 10 calendar days, the law enforcement officer shall notify the petitioner. The petitioner shall provide information sufficient to permit notification. Law enforcement shall continue to attempt to complete service unless otherwise directed by the court. In the event that the petitioner does not provide a service address for the respondent or there is evidence that the respondent is evading service, the law enforcement officer shall use law enforcement databases to assist in locating the respondent;
- (5) If the respondent is in a protected person's presence at the time of contact for service, the law enforcement officer should take reasonable steps to separate the parties when possible prior to completing the service or inquiring about or collecting firearms. When the order requires the respondent to vacate the parties' shared residence, law enforcement shall take reasonable steps to ensure that the respondent has left the premises and is on notice that his or her

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return is a violation of the terms of the order. The law enforcement officer must provide the respondent with copies of all forms with the exception of the law enforcement information sheet and the return of service form;

- (6) Any law enforcement officer who serves a protection order on a respondent with the knowledge that the respondent requires special assistance due to a disability, brain injury, or impairment shall make a reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of the respondent to the extent practicable without compromise to the safety of the petitioner;
- (7) Proof of service must be submitted to the court on the return of service form. The form must include the date and time of service and each document that was served in order for the service to be complete, along with any details such as conduct at the time of service, threats, or avoidance of service, as well as statements regarding possession of firearms, including any denials of ownership despite positive purchase history, active concealed pistol license, or sworn statements in the petition that allege the respondent's access to, or possession of, firearms; or
- (8) If attempts at service were not successful, the return of service form or the form letter showing that the order was not served, and stating the reason it was not served, must be returned to the court by the next judicial day following the last unsuccessful attempt at service. Each attempt at service must be noted and reflected in computer aided dispatch records, with the date, time, address, and reason service was not completed.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 20. MATERIALS TO BE SERVED. The following materials must be served, depending on the type of relief sought.
 - (1) If the petitioner is seeking a hearing on a petition for a protection order, the respondent must be served with the petition for a protection order, any supporting declarations or other materials, the notice of hearing, any temporary protection order issued by the court, and any temporary order to surrender and prohibit weapons issued by the court.
 - (2) If the petitioner is seeking the renewal or reissuance of a protection order, the respondent must be served with the motion to renew or reissue the protection order, any supporting declarations or other materials, and the notice of hearing.

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(3) If either party is seeking to modify or terminate a protection order, the other party must be served with the motion to modify or terminate the protection order, any supporting declarations or other materials, and the notice of hearing.

- (4) For any other motion filed by a party with the court, the other party must be served with all materials the moving party submitted to the court and with any notice of hearing issued by the court related to the motion.
- Sec. 21. TIME REQUIREMENTS. Service must be NEW SECTION. completed on the nonmoving party not less than five judicial days before the hearing date, unless waived by the nonmoving party. If service cannot be made, the court shall set a new hearing date and shall either require an additional attempt at obtaining service or permit service by other means authorized in this chapter. If the nonmoving party was served before the hearing, but less than five judicial days before the hearing, it is not necessary to re-serve materials that the nonmoving party already received, but any new notice of hearing and reissued order must be served on the nonmoving party. The court shall not require more than two attempts at obtaining service before permitting service by other means authorized in this chapter unless the moving party requests additional time to attempt service. If the court permits service by mail or by publication, the court shall set the hearing date not later than 24 days from the date of the order authorizing such service.
 - NEW SECTION. Sec. 22. VULNERABLE ADULT PROTECTION ORDERS—SERVICE WHEN VULNERABLE ADULT IS NOT THE PETITIONER. (1) When a petition for a vulnerable adult protection order is filed by someone other than the vulnerable adult, notice of the petition and hearing must be personally served upon the vulnerable adult not less than five judicial days before the hearing.
 - (2) In addition to copies of all pleadings filed by the petitioner, the petitioner shall provide a written notice to the vulnerable adult using a standard notice form developed by the administrative office of the courts. The standard notice form shall be designed to explain to the vulnerable adult in clear, plain language the purpose and nature of the petition and that the vulnerable adult has the right to participate in the hearing and to either support or object to the petition.

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(3) When good faith attempts to personally serve the vulnerable adult have been unsuccessful, the court shall permit service by electronic means or by mail. The court may authorize service by publication if the court determines that personal service, service by electronic means, and service by mail cannot be obtained. If timely service under this section cannot be made, the court shall continue the hearing date until the substitute service approved by the court has been satisfied.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 23. DEVELOPMENT OF BEST PRACTICES. Courts and law enforcement agencies shall adopt rules, protocols, and pattern forms to standardize and implement best practices for service, including mechanisms and verification options for electronic service and electronic returns of service, as well as best practices for efficient transmission of court documents to law enforcement for entry into criminal justice databases and returns of service or property.

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18 HEARINGS

- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 24.** HEARING PROCEDURES. In hearings under 20 this chapter, the following apply:
 - (1) Hearings under this chapter are special proceedings. The procedures established under this chapter for protection order hearings supersede inconsistent civil court rules. Courts should evaluate the needs and procedures best suited to individual hearings based on consideration of the totality of the circumstances, including disparities that may be apparent in the parties' resources and representation by counsel.
- 28 (2) (a) Courts shall prioritize hearings on petitions for ex parte 29 temporary protection orders over less emergent proceedings.
 - (b) For extreme risk protection order hearings where a law enforcement agency is the petitioner, the court shall prioritize scheduling because of the importance of immediate temporary removal of firearms in situations of extreme risk and the goal of minimizing the time law enforcement must otherwise wait for a particular case to be called, which can hinder their other patrol and supervisory duties. Courts also may allow a law enforcement petitioner to participate telephonically, or allow another representative from that

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- law enforcement agency or the prosecutor's office to present the information to the court if personal presence of the petitioning officer is not required for testimonial purposes.
 - (3) A hearing on a petition for a protection order must be set by the court regardless of whether the court has granted or denied a request for a temporary protection order in the proceeding.
 - (4) If the petitioner informs the court prior to a scheduled hearing that the respondent has not been served at least five judicial days before the hearing date, or if the parties have informed the court of an agreed date of continuance for the hearing, the court shall reissue any temporary protection order previously issued, cancel the scheduled hearing, and reset the hearing date.
 - (5) When considering any request to stay, continue, or delay a hearing under this chapter because of the pendency of a parallel criminal investigation or prosecution of the respondent, courts shall apply a rebuttable presumption against such delay and give due recognition to the purpose of this chapter to provide victims quick and effective relief. Courts must consider on the record the following factors:
- 20 (a) The extent to which a defendant's Fifth Amendment rights are 21 or are not implicated, given the special nature of protection order 22 proceedings, which burden a defendant's Fifth Amendment privilege 23 substantially less than do other civil proceedings;
 - (b) Similarities between the civil and criminal cases;
 - (c) Status of the criminal case;

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- (d) The interests of the petitioners in proceeding expeditiously with litigation and the potential prejudice and risk to petitioners of a delay;
- 29 (e) The burden that any particular aspect of the proceeding may 30 impose on respondents;
- 31 (f) The convenience of the court in the management of its cases 32 and the efficient use of judicial resources;
- 33 (g) The interests of persons not parties to the civil litigation;
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- 35 (h) The interest of the public in the pending civil and criminal litigation.
 - (6) Hearings shall be conducted upon live testimony of the parties and sworn declarations unless the court finds that live testimony of witnesses other than the parties is necessary and material. If either party requests a continuance to allow for proper

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notice of witnesses or to afford a party time to seek counsel, the court should continue the hearing. If the court continues the hearing, the court shall reissue any temporary orders.

- (7) Prehearing discovery under the civil court rules, including, but not limited to, depositions, requests for production, or requests for admission, is not permitted unless specifically authorized by the court for good cause shown, upon motion of a party.
- (8) The rules of evidence need not be applied, other than with respect to privileges, the requirements of the rape shield statute under RCW 9A.44.020, and evidence rules 412 and 413.
- (9) (a) The prior sexual activity or the reputation of the petitioner is inadmissible except:
- (i) As evidence concerning the past sexual conduct of the petitioner with the respondent when this evidence is offered by the respondent upon the issue of whether the petitioner consented to the sexual conduct alleged for the purpose of a protection order; or
 - (ii) When constitutionally required to be admitted.
- (b) To determine admissibility, a written motion must be made six judicial days prior to the protection order hearing. The motion must include an offer of proof of the relevancy of the proposed evidence and reasonably specific information as to the date, time, and place of the past sexual conduct between the petitioner and the respondent. If the court finds that the offer of proof is relevant to the issue of the victim's consent, the court shall conduct a hearing in camera. The court may not admit evidence under this subsection unless it determines at the hearing that the evidence is relevant and the probative value of the evidence outweighs the danger of unfair prejudice. The evidence shall be admissible at the hearing to the extent an order made by the court specifies the evidence that may be admitted. The motion, related papers, and the record of the hearing must be sealed and remain under seal unless the court orders otherwise.
- (10) Parties may request an opportunity to cross-examine witnesses, to pursue discovery, to provide oral testimony by nonparty witnesses, or for other procedures. The court shall determine whether to grant such requests, and whether to continue the hearing to permit the parties to prepare.
- (11) When a petitioner has alleged incapacity to consent to sexual conduct or sexual penetration due to intoxicants, alcohol, or

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other condition, the court must determine on the record whether the petitioner had the capacity to consent.

- (12) If the court finds that the petition for a protection order does not contain sufficient allegations as a matter of law to support the issuance of a protection order, the court shall continue the matter for 14 days and offer the petitioner the opportunity to file an amended petition, unless the court finds in writing that the amendment would be futile. If no amended petition is filed, the petition shall be dismissed after 14 days. All temporary protection orders shall expire upon the court's finding that the petition is insufficient.
- (13) Courts shall not require parties to submit duplicate or working copies of pleadings or other materials filed with the court.
- (14) Courts shall, if possible, have petitioners and respondents in protection order proceedings gather in separate locations and enter and depart the court room at staggered times. Where the option is available, for safety purposes, the court should arrange for petitioners to leave the court premises first and to have court security escort petitioners to their vehicles or transportation.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 25. HEARINGS—REMOTE HEARINGS. (1) Hearings on protection orders, including hearings concerning temporary protection orders, full protection orders, compliance, reissuance, renewal, modification, or termination, may be conducted in person or remotely in order to enhance access for all parties.
 - (2) In the court's discretion, parties and witnesses may attend a hearing on a petition for a protection order, or any hearings conducted pursuant to this chapter, in person or remotely, including by telephone, video, or other electronic means. At the time of filing, the petitioner may specify whether the petitioner requests to appear at the hearing remotely by telephone, video, or other electronic means. No later than three judicial days before the hearing, the respondent or the petitioner may request to appear at the hearing, with witnesses, remotely by telephone, video, or other electronic means. The court shall grant any request for a remote appearance unless the court finds good cause to require in-person attendance or attendance through a specific means.
 - (3) Courts shall require assurances of the identity of persons who appear by telephone, video, or other electronic means. Courts may not charge fees for remote appearances.

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(4) Courts shall not post or stream proceedings or recordings of protection order hearings online without a waiver from all parties. Unless the court orders a hearing to be closed to the public consistent with the requirements of Washington law, courts should provide in-person access to members of the public who wish to observe or listen to a hearing conducted by telephone, video, or other electronic means.

- 8 (5) If a hearing is held with any parties or witnesses appearing 9 remotely, the following apply:
 - (a) Courts should include directions to access a hearing remotely in the order setting the hearing and in any order granting a respondent's request for a remote appearance. Such orders shall also include directions to request an interpreter and accommodations for disabilities;
 - (b) Courts should endeavor to give a party or witness appearing by telephone no more than a one-hour waiting time by the court for the hearing to begin;
 - (c) Courts should inform the parties before the hearing begins on how the hearing is being recorded, the ability of the public to view the hearing, and the availability of the recording of the hearing;
 - (d) To minimize trauma, while allowing remote hearings to be observed by the public, courts should take appropriate measures to prevent members of the public or the parties from harassing or intimidating any party or witness to a case. Such practices may include, but are not limited to, disallowing members of the public from communicating with the parties or with the court, ensuring court controls over microphone and viewing settings, and announcing limitations on allowing others to record the hearing;
- 29 (e) Courts shall use technology that accommodates American sign 30 language and other languages;
 - (f) To help ensure that remote access does not undermine personal safety or privacy, or introduce other risks, courts should protect the privacy of telephone numbers, emails, and other contact information for parties and witnesses. Courts should inform parties and witnesses appearing remotely not to state their addresses or telephone numbers at the hearing, and advise parties and witnesses that they may use virtual backgrounds to help ensure that their backgrounds do not reveal their location;
- 39 (g) Courts should provide the parties, in orders setting the 40 hearing, with a telephone number and an email address for the court,

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which the parties may use to inform the court if they have been 1 unable to appear remotely for a hearing. Before dismissing a petition 2 due to the petitioner not appearing for a remote hearing or the court 3 not being able to reach the petitioner via telephone or video, and 4 before granting relief due to the respondent not appearing for a 5 6 remote hearing or the court not being able to reach the respondent 7 via telephone or video, the court shall check for any notifications to the court regarding issues with remote access or 8 technological difficulties. If any party has provided 9 notification to the court, the court shall not dismiss or grant the 10 11 petition, but shall reset the hearing. Such relief may be sought on a 12 motion for a reconsideration for good cause if a party was unable to provide the notification on the day of the hearing prior to the 13 14 court's ruling. If a party is unable to promptly notify the court by telephone or email of the party's reasons for being unable to appear 15 16 due to issues with remote access or other technological difficulties, 17 the party may inform the court of such issues or difficulties by mail or by other means available, and the court shall consider whether 18 there is good cause to order a new hearing; and 19

(h) Courts should consider a party's request that the court continue a remote hearing, and reset the hearing for a specified time, if the party demonstrates to the court that the party would be unable to appear at the remote hearing outside of the presence of others who reside with the party, but are not part of the proceeding including, but not limited to, children, and that the presence of those individuals may hinder testimony or the ability to provide complete and detailed responses. The court should grant a first request for good cause shown. Subsequent requests may be granted in the court's discretion.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 26. REALIGNMENT OF PARTIES IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ANTIHARASSMENT PROTECTION ORDER PROCEEDINGS. In proceedings where the petitioner is seeking a domestic violence protection order or an antiharassment protection order, the court may realign the designation of the parties as "petitioner" and "respondent" where the court finds that the original petitioner is the abuser or harasser and the original respondent is the victim of domestic violence or unlawful harassment. The court may issue a temporary protection order in accordance with this chapter until the

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- 1 victim is able to prepare a petition for a protection order in
- 2 accordance with this chapter.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 27.** EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER HEARINGS.
- 4 For extreme risk protection order hearings, the following also apply.
 - (1) The court may:

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- 6 (a) Examine under oath the petitioner, the respondent, and any
 7 witnesses they may produce, or, in lieu of examination, consider
 8 sworn declarations of the petitioner, the respondent, and any
 9 witnesses they may produce; and
- 10 (b) Ensure that a reasonable search has been conducted for 11 criminal history records and civil protection order history related 12 to the respondent.
 - (2) During the hearing, the court shall consider whether a behavioral health evaluation is appropriate, and may order such evaluation if appropriate.
- 16 (3) In determining whether grounds for an extreme risk protection 17 order exist, the court may consider any relevant evidence including, 18 but not limited to, any of the following:
- 19 (a) A recent act or threat of violence by the respondent against 20 self or others, whether or not such violence or threat of violence 21 involves a firearm;
- 22 (b) A pattern of acts or threats of violence by the respondent 23 within the past 12 months including, but not limited to, acts or 24 threats of violence by the respondent against self or others;
- 25 (c) Any behaviors that present an imminent threat of harm to self 26 or others;
- 27 (d) A violation by the respondent of a protection order or a no-28 contact order issued;
- 29 (e) A previous or existing extreme risk protection order issued 30 against the respondent;
- 31 (f) A violation of a previous or existing extreme risk protection 32 order issued against the respondent;
- 33 (g) A conviction of the respondent for a crime that constitutes 34 domestic violence as defined in RCW 10.99.020;
 - (h) A conviction of the respondent under RCW 9A.36.080;
- 36 (i) The respondent's ownership of, access to, or intent to 37 possess, firearms;
- 38 (j) The unlawful or reckless use, display, or brandishing of a 39 firearm by the respondent;

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1 (k) The history of use, attempted use, or threatened use of 2 physical force by the respondent against another person, or the 3 respondent's history of stalking another person;

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- (1) Any prior arrest of the respondent for a felony offense or violent crime;
- 6 (m) Corroborated evidence of the abuse of controlled substances 7 or alcohol by the respondent; and
 - (n) Evidence of recent acquisition of firearms by the respondent.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 28.** VULNERABLE ADULT PROTECTION ORDER 10 HEARINGS. For vulnerable adult protection order hearings, the 11 following also apply.
 - (1) When a petition for a vulnerable adult protection order is filed by someone other than the vulnerable adult or the vulnerable adult's full guardian over either the person or the estate, or both, and the vulnerable adult for whom protection is sought advises the court at the hearing that the vulnerable adult does not want all or part of the protection sought in the petition, then the court may dismiss the petition or the provisions that the vulnerable adult objects to and any existing vulnerable adult protection order, or the court may take additional testimony or evidence, or order additional evidentiary hearings to determine whether the vulnerable adult is unable, due to incapacity, undue influence, or duress, to protect his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition or order. If an additional evidentiary hearing is ordered and the court determines that there is reason to believe that there is a genuine issue about whether the vulnerable adult is unable to protect his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition or order, the court may issue a temporary protection order of the vulnerable adult pending a decision after the evidentiary hearing.
 - (2) Pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, an evidentiary hearing on the issue of whether the vulnerable adult is unable, due to incapacity, undue influence, or duress, to protect his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition or order, must be held within 14 days of entry of the temporary protection order. If the court did not enter a temporary protection order, the evidentiary hearing must be held within 14 days of the prior hearing on the petition. Notice of the time and place of the evidentiary hearing must be served upon the vulnerable adult and the

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- respondent not less than five judicial days before the hearing. If timely service cannot be made, the court may set a new hearing date. A hearing under this subsection is not necessary if the vulnerable adult has been determined to be fully incapacitated over either the person or the estate, or both, under the guardianship laws, chapter 11.88 RCW. If a hearing is scheduled under this subsection, the protection order must remain in effect pending the court's decision at the subsequent hearing.
 - (3) At the hearing held pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the court shall give the vulnerable adult, the respondent, the petitioner, and, in the court's discretion, other interested persons, the opportunity to testify and submit relevant evidence.

- (4) If the court determines that the vulnerable adult is capable of protecting his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition, and the vulnerable adult continues to object to the protection order, the court shall dismiss the order or may modify the order if agreed to by the vulnerable adult. If the court determines that the vulnerable adult is not capable of protecting his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition or order, and that the vulnerable adult continues to need protection, the court shall order relief consistent with this chapter as it deems necessary for the protection of the vulnerable adult. In the entry of any order that is inconsistent with the expressed wishes of the vulnerable adult, the court's order is governed by the legislative findings contained in section 1 of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 29. GRANT OF ORDER, DENIAL OF ORDER, AND IMPROPER GROUNDS. (1) The court shall issue a protection order if it finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the petitioner has proved the required criteria specified in (a) through (f) of this subsection for obtaining a protection order under this chapter.
- (a) For a domestic violence protection order, that the petitioner has been subjected to domestic violence by the respondent.
- (b) For a sexual assault protection order, that the petitioner has been subjected to nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration by the respondent.
- 37 (c) For a stalking protection order, that the petitioner has been subjected to stalking by the respondent.

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(d) For a vulnerable adult protection order, that the petitioner has been abandoned, abused, financially exploited, or neglected, or is threatened with abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect by the respondent.

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- 5 (e) For an extreme risk protection order, that the respondent poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to self or others by having in the respondent's custody or control, purchasing, possessing, accessing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, a firearm.
- 10 (f) For an antiharassment protection order, that the petitioner 11 has been subjected to unlawful harassment by the respondent.
 - (2) The court may not deny or dismiss a petition for a protection order on the grounds that:
 - (a) The petitioner or the respondent is a minor, unless provisions in this chapter specifically limit relief or remedies based upon a party's age;
 - (b) The petitioner did not report the conduct giving rise to the petition to law enforcement;
 - (c) A no-contact order or a restraining order that restrains the respondent's contact with the petitioner has been issued in a criminal proceeding or in a domestic relations proceeding;
 - (d) The relief sought by the petitioner may be available in a different action or proceeding, or criminal charges are pending against the respondent;
 - (e) The conduct at issue did not occur recently or because of the passage of time since the last incident of conduct giving rise to the petition; or
 - (f) The respondent no longer lives near the petitioner.
 - (3) In proceedings where the petitioner alleges that the respondent engaged in nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration, the court shall not require proof of physical injury on the person of the petitioner or any other forensic evidence. Denial of a remedy to the petitioner may not be based, in whole or in part, on evidence that:
 - (a) The respondent was voluntarily intoxicated;
 - (b) The petitioner was voluntarily intoxicated; or
- 37 (c) The petitioner engaged in limited consensual sexual touching.
- 38 (4) In proceedings where the petitioner alleges that the 39 respondent engaged in stalking, the court may not require proof of

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1 the respondent's intentions regarding the acts alleged by the 2 petitioner.

- (5) If the court declines to issue a protection order, the court shall state in writing the particular reasons for the court's denial. If the court declines a request to include one or more of the petitioner's family or household member who is a minor or a vulnerable adult in the order, the court shall state the reasons for that denial in writing. The court shall also explain from the bench:
- 9 (a) That the petitioner may refile a petition for a protection 10 order at any time if the petitioner has new evidence to present that 11 would support the issuance of a protection order;
 - (b) The parties' rights to seek revision, reconsideration, or appeal of the order; and
- 14 (c) The parties' rights to have access to the court transcript or recording of the hearing.
- 16 (6) A court's ruling on a protection order must be filed by the 17 court in writing and must be made by the court on the mandatory form 18 developed by the administrative office of the courts.

19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 30.** JUDICIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM CONSULTATION.

- (1) Before ruling on an order under this chapter, the court shall consult the judicial information system to determine the criminal history, history of criminal victimization, history of being a respondent or petitioner in a protection order proceeding, or pendency of other proceedings involving the parties. The court may take judicial notice of a parallel criminal proceeding for the related conduct involving the same parties, including whether the defendant in that action waived speedy trial.
- (2) Before granting an order under this chapter directing residential placement of a child or restraining or limiting a party's contact with his or her child, the court shall consult the judicial information system, if available, to determine the pendency of other proceedings involving the residential placement of any child of the parties for whom residential placement has been requested.
- (3) When the court proposes to consider information from the judicial information system or another criminal or civil database, the court shall: Disclose the information to each party present at the hearing; on timely request, provide each party with an opportunity to be heard; and take appropriate measures to alleviate

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- safety concerns of the parties. The court has discretion not to disclose information that the court does not propose to consider.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 31.** COMPLIANCE HEARINGS. For compliance 4 hearings:

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- (1) Only the respondent is required to appear if the court is reviewing compliance with any conditions of the order. The petitioner may appear at such hearing and provide evidence to the court regarding the respondent's compliance with the order. The petitioner may also file a declaration in response to the respondent's representation of compliance with any conditions of the order. After reviewing such a declaration by the petitioner, the court may ask the petitioner to appear at the hearing or provide additional declaration or documentation to address disputed issues.
- 14 (2) Any orders entered by the court pursuant to a compliance 15 hearing must be served on the respondent if the respondent failed to 16 appear at the hearing at which the court entered the orders.
 - (3) The court shall use its best efforts to notify the petitioner of the outcome of the compliance hearing including, but not limited to, informing the petitioner on whether the respondent is found to be out of compliance with an order to surrender and prohibit weapons. Such notice should be provided to the petitioner by electronic means if possible, but may also be made by telephone or another method that allows notification to be provided without unnecessary delay.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 32. APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL. The court may appoint counsel to represent the petitioner if the respondent is represented by counsel.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 33. INTERPRETERS. (1) Pursuant to chapter 2.42 RCW, in order to ensure that parties have meaningful access to the court, an interpreter shall be appointed for any party who, because of a hearing or speech impairment, cannot readily understand or communicate in spoken language. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 2.42 RCW, the court shall not:
- 33 (a) Appoint an interpreter who is not trained to provide 34 interpretation services; or
- 35 (b) Appoint a person to provide interpretation services if that 36 person is serving as an advocate for the party.

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(2) Pursuant to chapter 2.43 RCW, in order to ensure that parties have meaningful access to the court, an interpreter shall be appointed for any party who cannot readily speak or understand the English language. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 2.43 RCW, the court shall not:

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- (a) Appoint an interpreter who is not trained to provide interpretation services; or
- (b) Appoint a person to provide interpretation services if that person is serving as an advocate for the party.
 - (3) Once an interpreter has been appointed for a party, the party shall no longer be required to make further requests for the appointment of an interpreter for subsequent hearings or proceedings. The clerk shall identify the party as a person who needs interpreter services and shall be responsible for ensuring that an interpreter is available for every subsequent hearing.
 - (4) The interpreter shall translate or interpret for the party in preparing forms, participating in the hearing and court-ordered assessments, and translating any orders.
- (5) The same interpreter shall not serve parties on both sides of the proceeding, unless the court finds good cause on the record to do so because it is not possible to obtain more than one interpreter for the proceeding.
- 23 (6) Courts shall make a private space available for parties and interpreters to meet and confer.
- 25 (7) When a hearing is conducted through telephone, video, or 26 other electronic means, the court must make appropriate 27 accommodations to permit interpreters to serve the parties as needed.
- Sec. 34. PROTECTION ORDER ADVOCATE AND SUPPORT 28 NEW SECTION. PERSON. (1) Whether or not the petitioner has retained an attorney, a 29 30 sexual assault or domestic violence advocate, as defined in RCW 31 5.60.060, shall be allowed to accompany the petitioner and confer with the petitioner during court proceedings. The sexual assault or 32 domestic violence advocate shall not provide legal representation nor 33 interpretation services. Court administrators shall allow sexual 34 assault and domestic violence advocates to assist petitioners with 35 their protection orders. Sexual assault and domestic violence 36 advocates are not engaged in the unauthorized practice of law when 37 38 providing assistance of the types specified in this section. Unless the sexual assault or domestic violence advocate seeks to speak 39

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directly to the court, advocates shall not be required to be identified on the record beyond stating their role as a sexual assault or domestic violence advocate and identifying the program for which they work or volunteer for. Communications between the petitioner and a sexual assault and domestic violence advocate are protected as provided by RCW 5.60.060.

- (2) Whether or not the petitioner has retained an attorney, a protection order advocate must be allowed to accompany the petitioner to any legal proceeding including, but not limited to, sitting or standing next to the petitioner and conferring with the petitioner during court proceedings, or addressing the court when invited to do so.
- (a) For purposes of this section, "protection order advocate" means any employee or volunteer from a program that provides, as some part of its services, information, advocacy, counseling, or support to persons seeking protection orders.
- (b) The protection order advocate shall not provide legal representation nor interpretation services.
- (c) Unless a protection order advocate seeks to speak directly to the court, protection order advocates shall not be required to be identified on the record beyond stating his or her role as a protection order advocate and identifying the program for which he or she works or volunteers.
- (d) A protection order advocate who is not employed by, or under the direct supervision of, a law enforcement agency, a prosecutor's office, the child protective services section of the department of children, youth, and families as defined in RCW 26.44.020, or other governmental entity, has the same privileges, rights, and responsibilities as a sexual assault advocate and domestic violence advocate under RCW 5.60.060.
- (3) Whether or not the petitioner has retained an attorney, if a petitioner does not have an advocate, the petitioner shall be allowed a support person to accompany the petitioner to any legal proceeding including, but not limited to, sitting or standing next to the petitioner and conferring with the petitioner during court proceedings. The support person may be any third party of the petitioner's choosing, provided that:
- 38 (a) The support person shall not provide legal representation nor 39 interpretation services; and

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(b) A support person who is not employed by, or under the direct supervision of, a law enforcement agency, a prosecutor's office, the child protective services section of the department of children, youth, and families as defined in RCW 26.44.020, or other government entity, may not, without the consent of the petitioner, be examined as to any communication between the petitioner and the support person regarding the petition.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 35. TRAINING. To help ensure familiarity with the unique nature of protection order proceedings, and an understanding of trauma-informed practices, best practices in use of new technologies for remote hearings, and evolving uses of technology as part of coercive control techniques, judicial officers, including persons who serve as judicial officers pro tempore, should receive training on procedural justice, trauma-informed practices, gender-based violence dynamics, elder abuse, juvenile sex offending, teen dating violence, and requirements for the surrender of weapons before presiding over protection order hearings. Trainings should be provided on an ongoing basis as best practices, research on trauma, and legislation continue to evolve. As a method of continuous training, court commissioners, including pro tempore commissioners, shall be notified by the presiding judge or court administrator upon revision of any decision made under this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 36. RECOMMENDATIONS ON IMPROVING PROTECTION ORDER PROCEEDINGS. The Washington state women's commission, consultation with the administrative office of the courts and the gender and justice commission, shall work with representatives of superior, district, and municipal court judicial officers, court clerks, and administrators, including those with experience protection order proceedings, as well as advocates and practitioners with expertise in each type of protection order, and others with relevant expertise, to consider and develop recommendations regarding: (1) Uses of technology to reduce administrative burdens in protection order proceedings; (2) improving access to unrepresented parties in protection order proceedings, including promoting access for pro bono attorneys for remote protection order proceedings, in consultation with the Washington state bar association; (3) developing best practices for courts when there are civil protection order and criminal proceedings that concern the same alleged conduct;

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and (4) developing best practices in data collection and sharing, 1 including demographic information, in order to promote research and 2 study on protection orders and transparency of protection order data 3 for the public, in partnership with the Washington state center for 4 court research, the Washington state institute for public policy, the 5 6 University of Washington, and the urban Indian health institute. The 7 commission shall provide a report of its recommendations to the legislature by December 1, 2021. 8

9 PART VI

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10 ORDERS, DURATION, RELIEF, AND REMEDIES

NEW SECTION. Sec. 37. Sections 38 through 42 of this act apply to all orders other than extreme risk protection orders.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 38. EX PARTE TEMPORARY PROTECTION ORDERS, OTHER THAN FOR EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) Where it appears from the petition and any additional evidence that the respondent has engaged in conduct against the petitioner that serves as a basis for a protection order under this chapter, and the petitioner alleges that irreparable injury could result if an order is not issued immediately without prior notice to the respondent, the court may grant an ex parte temporary protection order, pending a full hearing. The court has broad discretion to grant such relief as the court deems proper, including the forms of relief listed in section 39 of this act, provided that the court shall not order a form of relief listed in section 39 of this act if it would not be feasible or appropriate for the respondent to comply with such a requirement before a full hearing may be held on the petition for a protection order. If the court does not order all the relief requested by the petitioner in an ex parte temporary protection order, the court shall still consider ordering such relief at the full hearing on the petition for a protection order. In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from accessing, having in his or her custody or control, possessing, purchasing, attempting to purchase or receive, or receiving, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license, as required in RCW 9.41.800.

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1 (2) Any order issued under this section must contain the date, 2 time of issuance, and expiration date.

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- (3) If the court declines to issue an ex parte temporary protection order, the court shall state the particular reasons for the court's denial in writing. The court's denial of a motion for an ex parte temporary protection order shall be filed with the court. If an ex parte temporary protection order is denied, the court shall still set a full hearing on the petition for a protection order.
- parte temporary (4) A petitioner may not obtain an ex antiharassment protection order against a respondent if petitioner has previously obtained two such ex parte orders against the same respondent, but has failed to obtain the issuance of a civil antiharassment protection order, unless good cause for such failure 14 can be shown.
- 15 NEW SECTION. Sec. 39. RELIEF FOR TEMPORARY AND FULL PROTECTION ORDERS, OTHER THAN FOR EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) In issuing 16 17 any type of protection order, other than an extreme risk protection order, the court shall have broad discretion to grant such relief as 18 the court deems proper, including an order that provides relief as 19 20 follows:
 - (a) Restrain the respondent from committing any of the following acts against the petitioner and other persons protected by the order: Domestic violence; nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration; sexual abuse; stalking; acts of abandonment, abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation against a vulnerable adult; and unlawful harassment;
 - (b) Restrain the respondent from making any attempts to have contact, including nonphysical contact, with the petitioner or the petitioner's family or household members who are minors or other members of the petitioner's household, either directly, indirectly, or through third parties regardless of whether those third parties know of the order;
 - (c) Exclude the respondent from the dwelling that the parties share; from the residence, workplace, or school of the petitioner; or from the day care or school of a minor child;
 - (d) Restrain the respondent from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified location including, but not limited to, a residence, school, day care, workplace, the protected party's person, and the protected

p. 58 HB 1320 party's vehicle. The specified distance shall presumptively be at least 1,000 feet, unless the court for good cause finds that a shorter specified distance is appropriate;

- (e) If the parties have children in common, make residential provisions with regard to their minor children on the same basis as is provided in chapter 26.09 RCW. However, parenting plans as specified in chapter 26.09 RCW must not be required under this chapter. The court may not delay or defer relief under this chapter on the grounds that the parties could seek a parenting plan or modification to a parenting plan in a different action. A protection order must not be denied on the grounds that the parties have an existing parenting plan in effect. A protection order may suspend the respondent's contact with the parties' children under an existing parenting plan, subject to further orders in a family law proceeding;
- (f) Order the respondent to participate in a state-certified domestic violence perpetrator treatment program approved under RCW 26.50.150 (as recodified by this act) or a state-certified sex offender treatment program approved under RCW 18.155.070;
- (g) Order the respondent to obtain a mental health or chemical dependency evaluation. If the court determines that a mental health evaluation is necessary, the court shall clearly document the reason for this determination and provide a specific question or questions to be answered by the mental health professional. The court shall consider the ability of the respondent to pay for an evaluation;
- (h) In cases where the petitioner and the respondent are students who attend the same public or private elementary, middle, or high school, the court, when issuing a protection order and providing relief, shall consider, among the other facts of the case, the severity of the act, any continuing physical danger, emotional distress, or educational disruption to the petitioner, and the financial difficulty and educational disruption that would be caused by a transfer of the respondent to another school. The court may order that the respondent not attend the public or private elementary, middle, or high school attended by the petitioner. In the event the court orders a transfer of the respondent to another school, the parents or legal guardians of the respondent are responsible for transportation and other costs associated with the change of school by the respondent. The court shall send notice of the restriction on attending the same school as the petitioner to the

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public or private school the respondent will attend and to the school the petitioner attends;

- (i) Require the respondent to pay the administrative court costs and service fees, as established by the county or municipality incurring the expense, and to reimburse the petitioner for costs incurred in bringing the action, including reasonable attorneys' fees or limited license legal technician fees when such fees are incurred by a person licensed and practicing in accordance with state supreme court admission and practice rule 28, the limited practice rule for limited license legal technicians;
- (j) Restrain the respondent from harassing, following, monitoring, keeping under physical or electronic surveillance, cyberstalking as defined in RCW 9.61.260, and using telephonic, audiovisual, or other electronic means to monitor the actions, location, or communication of the petitioner or the petitioner's family or household members who are minors or other members of the petitioner's household. For the purposes of this subsection, "communication" includes both "wire communication" and "electronic communication" as defined in RCW 9.73.260;
- (k) Other than for respondents who are minors, require the respondent to submit to electronic monitoring. The order must specify who shall provide the electronic monitoring services and the terms under which the monitoring must be performed. The order also may include a requirement that the respondent pay the costs of the monitoring. The court shall consider the ability of the respondent to pay for electronic monitoring;
- (1) Consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from accessing, having in his or her custody or control, possessing, purchasing, attempting to purchase or receive, or receiving, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license, as required in RCW 9.41.800;
- (m) Order possession and use of essential personal effects. The court shall list the essential personal effects with sufficient specificity to make it clear which property is included. Personal effects may include pets. The court may order that a petitioner be granted the exclusive custody or control of any pet owned, possessed, leased, kept, or held by the petitioner, respondent, or minor child residing with either the petitioner or respondent, and may prohibit the respondent from interfering with the petitioner's efforts to

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obtain the pet. The court may also prohibit the respondent from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of specified locations where the pet is regularly found;

(n) Order use of a vehicle;

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- (o) Enter an order restricting the respondent from engaging in 5 6 abusive litigation as set forth in chapter 26.51 RCW or in frivolous 7 filings against the petitioner, making harassing or libelous communications about the petitioner to third parties, or making false 8 reports to investigative agencies. A petitioner may request this relief in the petition or by separate motion. A petitioner may 10 request this relief by separate motion at any time within five years 11 12 of the date the protection order is entered even if the order has since expired. A stand-alone motion for an order restricting abusive 13 litigation may be brought by a party who meets the requirements of 14 chapter 26.51 RCW regardless of whether the party has previously 15 16 sought a protection order under this chapter, provided the motion is 17 made within five years of the date the order that made a finding of domestic violence was entered. In cases where a finding of domestic 18 19 violence was entered pursuant to an order under chapter 26.09, 26.26, or 26.26A RCW, a motion for an order restricting abusive litigation 20 21 may be brought under the family law case or as a stand-alone action 22 filed under this chapter, when it is not reasonable or practical to 23 file under the family law case;
 - (p) Restrain the respondent from committing acts of abandonment, abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation against a vulnerable adult;
 - (q) Require an accounting by the respondent of the disposition of the vulnerable adult's income or other resources;
 - (r) Restrain the transfer of either the respondent's vulnerable adult's property, or both, for a specified period not exceeding 90 days;
- 31 (s) Order financial relief and restrain the transfer of jointly owned assets; 32
 - (t) Restrain the respondent from possessing or distributing intimate images, as defined in RCW 9A.86.010, depicting the petitioner including, but not limited to, requiring the respondent to: Take down and delete all intimate images and recordings of the petitioner in the respondent's possession or control; and cease any and all disclosure of those intimate images. The court may also inform the respondent that it would be appropriate to ask third parties in possession or control of the intimate images of this

p. 61 HB 1320 protection order to take down and delete the intimate images so that the order may not inadvertently be violated; or

- (u) Order other relief as it deems necessary for the protection of the petitioner and other family or household members who are minors or vulnerable adults for whom the petitioner has sought protection, including orders or directives to a law enforcement officer, as allowed under this chapter.
- (2) The court in granting a temporary antiharassment protection order or a civil antiharassment protection order shall not prohibit the respondent from exercising constitutionally protected free speech. Nothing in this section prohibits the petitioner from utilizing other civil or criminal remedies to restrain conduct or communications not otherwise constitutionally protected.
- (3) The court shall not take any of the following actions in issuing a protection order.
- (a) The court may not order the petitioner to obtain services including, but not limited to, drug testing, victim support services, a mental health assessment, or a psychological evaluation.
- (b) The court may not order the petitioner to pay the respondent's attorneys' fees or other costs.
- (c) The court shall not issue a full protection order to any party except upon notice to the respondent and the opportunity for a hearing pursuant to a petition or counter-petition filed and served by the party seeking relief in accordance with this chapter. Except as provided in section 26 of this act, the court shall not issue a temporary protection order to any party unless the party has filed a petition or counter-petition for a protection order seeking relief in accordance with this chapter.
- (d) Under no circumstances shall the court deny the petitioner the type of protection order sought in the petition on the grounds that the court finds that a different type of protection order would have a less severe impact on the respondent.
- (4) The order shall specify the date the order expires, if any. For permanent orders, the court shall set the date to expire 99 years from the issuance date. The order shall also state whether the court issued the protection order following personal service, service by electronic means, service by mail, or service by publication, and whether the court has approved service by mail or publication of an order issued under this section.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 40. DURATION OF FULL PROTECTION ORDERS, OTHER THAN FOR EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) When issuing an order after notice to the respondent and a hearing, the court may either grant relief for a fixed period of time or enter a permanent order of protection. The court shall not grant relief for less than one year unless the petitioner has specifically requested relief for a shorter period of time.

- (2)(a) If a protection order restrains the respondent from contacting the respondent's minor children, the restraint must be for a fixed period not to exceed one year. This limitation is not applicable to protection orders issued under chapter 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW.
- 13 (b) If the petitioner has petitioned for relief on behalf of the 14 respondent's minor children, the court shall advise the petitioner 15 that if the petitioner wants to continue protection for a period 16 beyond one year, the petitioner may either petition for renewal 17 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter or may seek relief 18 pursuant to the provisions of chapter 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW.
 - NEW SECTION. Sec. 41. LAW ENFORCEMENT STAND-BY TO RECOVER POSSESSIONS, OTHER THAN FOR EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) When an order is issued under this chapter upon request of the petitioner, the court may order a law enforcement officer to accompany the petitioner and assist in placing the petitioner in possession of those items indicated in the order or to otherwise assist in the execution of the order of protection. The order must list all items that are to be included with sufficient specificity to make it clear which property is included. Orders issued under this chapter must include a designation of the appropriate law enforcement agency to execute, serve, or enforce the order.
 - (2) Upon order of a court, a law enforcement officer shall accompany the petitioner and assist in placing the petitioner in possession of all items listed in the order and to otherwise assist in the execution of the order.
 - (3) Where orders involve surrender of firearms, dangerous weapons, and concealed pistol licenses, those items must be secured and accounted for in a manner that prioritizes safety and compliance with court orders.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 42. ENTRY OF PROTECTION ORDER DATA, OTHER THAN FOR EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) The clerk of the court shall enter any protection order, including temporary protection orders, issued under this chapter into a statewide judicial information system on the same day such order is issued.

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- (2) A copy of a protection order granted under this chapter, including temporary protection orders, must be forwarded immediately by the clerk of the court, by electronic means if possible, to the law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall immediately enter the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. The order must remain in the computer until the expiration date specified on the order. If the court has entered an order that prohibits the respondent from possessing or purchasing a firearm, the law enforcement agency shall also enter the order into the national instant criminal background check system and any other federal or state computer-based systems used by law enforcement or others to identify prohibited purchasers of firearms. The order must remain in each system for the period stated in the order, and the law enforcement agency shall only expunge orders from the systems that have expired or terminated. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any county in the state.
 - (3) The information entered into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system must include notice to law enforcement on whether the order was personally served, served by electronic means, served by publication, or served by mail.
 - (4) If a law enforcement agency receives a protection order for entry or service, but the order falls outside the agency's jurisdiction, the agency may enter and serve the order or may immediately forward it to the appropriate law enforcement agency for entry and service, and shall provide documentation back to the court verifying which law enforcement agency has entered and will serve the order.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 43. TEMPORARY PROTECTION ORDERS—EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) In considering whether to issue a temporary

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extreme risk protection order, the court shall consider all relevant evidence, including the evidence described in section 27 of this act.

- (2) If a court finds there is reasonable cause to believe that the respondent poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to self or others in the near future by having in the respondent's custody or control, purchasing, possessing, accessing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, a firearm, the court shall issue a temporary extreme risk protection order.
 - (3) A temporary extreme risk protection order must include:
 - (a) A statement of the grounds asserted for the order;
 - (b) The date and time the order was issued;
 - (c) The date and time the order expires;

- 13 (d) The address of the court in which any responsive pleading 14 should be filed;
 - (e) The date and time of the scheduled hearing;
 - (f) A description of the requirements for the surrender of firearms under section 45 of this act; and
 - (g) The following statement: "To the subject of this protection order: This order is valid until the date and time noted above. You are required to surrender all firearms in your custody, control, or possession. You may not have in your custody or control, access, possess, purchase, receive, or attempt to purchase or receive, a firearm, or a concealed pistol license, while this order is in effect. You must surrender to the (insert name of local law enforcement agency) all firearms in your custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued to you under RCW 9.41.070 immediately. A hearing will be held on the date and at the time noted above to determine if an extreme risk protection order should be issued. Failure to appear at that hearing may result in a court making an order against you that is valid for one year. You may seek the advice of an attorney as to any matter connected with this order."
 - (4) A temporary extreme risk protection order issued expires upon the full hearing on the petition for an extreme risk protection order, unless reissued by the court.
 - (5) A temporary extreme risk protection order must be served by a law enforcement officer in the same manner as provided for in section 19 of this act for service of the notice of hearing and petition, and must be served concurrently with the notice of hearing and petition.

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- 1 (6) If the court declines to issue a temporary extreme risk 2 protection order, the court shall state the particular reasons for 3 the court's denial.
- MEW SECTION. Sec. 44. FULL ORDERS—EXTREME RISK PROTECTION
 ORDERS. (1) An extreme risk protection order issued after notice and
 a hearing must include:
- 7 (a) A statement of the grounds supporting the issuance of the 8 order;
 - (b) The date and time the order was issued;
 - (c) The date and time the order expires;

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- 11 (d) Whether a behavioral health evaluation of the respondent is required;
- 13 (e) The address of the court in which any responsive pleading 14 should be filed;
- 15 (f) A description of the requirements for the surrender of 16 firearms under section 45 of this act; and
 - (g) The following statement: "To the subject of this protection order: This order will last until the date and time noted above. If you have not done so already, you must surrender to the (insert name of local law enforcement agency) all firearms in your custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued to you under RCW 9.41.070 immediately. You may not have in your custody or control, access, possess, purchase, receive, or attempt to purchase or receive, a firearm, or a concealed pistol license, while this order is in effect. You have the right to request one hearing to terminate this order every 12-month period that this order is in effect, starting from the date of this order and continuing through any renewals. You may seek the advice of an attorney as to any matter connected with this order."
- 30 (2) When the court issues an extreme risk protection order, the 31 court shall inform the respondent that the respondent is entitled to 32 request termination of the order in the manner prescribed by section 33 62 of this act. The court shall provide the respondent with a form to 34 request a termination hearing.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 45. SURRENDER OF FIREARMS—EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) Upon the issuance of any extreme risk protection order under this chapter, including a temporary extreme risk protection order, the court shall:

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(a) Order the respondent to surrender to the local law enforcement agency all firearms in the respondent's custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070; and

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- (b) Other than for ex parte temporary protection orders, direct law enforcement to revoke any concealed pistol license issued to the respondent.
- (2) The law enforcement officer serving any extreme protection order under this chapter, including a temporary extreme risk protection order, shall request that the respondent immediately surrender all firearms in his or her custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070, and conduct any search permitted by law for such firearms. The law enforcement officer shall take possession of all firearms belonging to the respondent that are surrendered, in plain sight, or discovered pursuant to a lawful search. The order must be personally served upon the respondent or defendant if the order is entered in open court in the presence of the respondent or defendant. The respondent or defendant shall acknowledge receipt and service. If the respondent or defendant refuses service, an agent of the court may indicate on the record that the respondent or defendant refused service. The court shall enter the service and receipt into the record. A copy of the order and service must be transmitted immediately to law enforcement. Alternatively, if personal service by a law enforcement officer is not possible, the respondent shall surrender the firearms in a safe manner to the control of the local law enforcement agency within 24 hours of being served with the order by alternate service.
- (3) At the time of surrender, a law enforcement officer taking possession of a firearm or concealed pistol license shall issue a receipt identifying all firearms that have been surrendered and provide a copy of the receipt to the respondent. Within 72 hours after service of the order, the officer serving the order shall file the original receipt with the court and shall ensure that his or her law enforcement agency retains a copy of the receipt.
- (4) Upon the sworn statement or testimony of the petitioner or of any law enforcement officer alleging that the respondent has failed to comply with the surrender of firearms as required by an order issued under this chapter, the court shall determine whether probable cause exists to believe that the respondent has failed to surrender all firearms in his or her possession, custody, or control. If

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probable cause for a violation of the order exists, the court shall issue a warrant describing the firearms and authorizing a search of the locations where the firearms are reasonably believed to be and the seizure of any firearms discovered pursuant to such search.

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- (5) If a person other than the respondent claims title to any firearms surrendered pursuant to this section, and that person is determined by the law enforcement agency to be the lawful owner of the firearm, the firearm must be returned to that person, provided that:
 - (a) The firearm is removed from the respondent's custody, control, or possession, and the lawful owner provides written verification to the court regarding how the lawful owner will safely store the firearm in a manner such that the respondent does not have access to, or control of, the firearm for the duration of the order;
- 15 (b) The court advises the lawful owner of the penalty for failure 16 to do so; and
- 17 (c) The firearm is not otherwise unlawfully possessed by the 18 owner.
 - (6) Upon the issuance of a one-year extreme risk protection order, the court shall order a new compliance review hearing date and require the respondent to appear not later than three judicial days from the issuance of the order. The court shall require a showing that the respondent has surrendered any firearms in the respondent's custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070 to a law enforcement agency. The compliance review hearing is not required upon a satisfactory showing on which the court can otherwise enter findings on the record that the respondent has timely and completely surrendered all firearms in the respondent's custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070 to a law enforcement agency, and is in compliance with the order. If the court does not have a sufficient record before it on which to make such a finding, the court must set a review hearing to occur as soon as possible, at which the respondent must be present and provide proof of compliance with the court's order.
 - (7) (a) If a court finds at the compliance review hearing, or any other hearing where compliance with the order is addressed, that there is probable cause to believe the respondent was aware of, and failed to fully comply with, the order, failed to appear at the compliance review hearing, or violated the order after the court

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entered findings of compliance, pursuant to its authority under chapter 7.21 RCW, the court may initiate a contempt proceeding on its own motion, or upon the motion of the prosecutor, city attorney, or the petitioner's counsel, to impose remedial sanctions, and issue an order requiring the respondent to appear, provide proof of compliance with the order, and show cause why the respondent should not be held in contempt of court.

- (b) If the respondent is not present in court at the compliance review hearing or if the court issues an order to appear and show cause after a compliance review hearing, the clerk of the court shall electronically transmit a copy of the order to show cause to the law enforcement agency where the respondent resides for personal service or service in the manner provided in the civil rules of superior court or applicable statute.
- (c) The order to show cause served upon the respondent shall state the date, time, and location of the hearing, and shall include a warning that the respondent may be held in contempt of court if the respondent fails to promptly comply with the terms of the extreme risk protection order and a warning that an arrest warrant could be issued if the respondent fails to appear on the date and time provided in the order to show cause.
- (d)(i) At the show cause hearing, the respondent must be present and provide proof of compliance with the extreme risk protection order and demonstrate why the relief requested should not be granted.
- (ii) The court shall take judicial notice of the receipt filed with the court by the law enforcement agency pursuant to subsection (3) of this section. The court shall also provide sufficient notice to the law enforcement agency of the hearing. Upon receiving notice pursuant to this subsection, a law enforcement agency must:
- (A) Provide the court with a complete list of firearms surrendered by the respondent or otherwise belonging to the respondent that are in the possession of the law enforcement agency; and
- (B) Provide the court with verification that any concealed pistol license issued to the respondent has been surrendered and that a law enforcement agency with authority to revoke the license has been notified.
- (iii) If the law enforcement agency has a reasonable suspicion that the respondent is not in full compliance with the terms of the order, the law enforcement agency must submit the basis for its

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1 belief to the court, and may do so through the filing of an 2 affidavit.

- (e) If the court finds the respondent in contempt, the court may impose remedial sanctions designed to ensure swift compliance with the order to surrender and prohibit weapons.
- (f) The court may order a respondent found in contempt of the order to pay for any losses incurred by a party in connection with the contempt proceeding, including reasonable attorneys' fees, service fees, and other costs. The costs of the proceeding must not be borne by the petitioner.
- (8) (a) To help ensure that accurate and comprehensive information about firearms compliance is provided to judicial officers, a representative from either the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office, or both, from the relevant jurisdiction may appear and be heard at any hearing that concerns:
 - (i) Compliance with an extreme risk protection order; or
- (ii) Compliance with an order to surrender and prohibit weapons issued in connection with another type of protection order.
- (b) Either the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office, or both, from the relevant jurisdiction may designate an advocate or a staff person from their office who is not an attorney to appear on behalf of their office. Such appearance does not constitute the unauthorized practice of law.
- (9) (a) The court, on motion of the state or city, or on motion of the court if no representative from the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office from the relevant jurisdiction is present, may order that a respondent shall not be excused from complying with, or testifying about complying with, an order to surrender and prohibit firearms under this section on the grounds that the respondent's testimony or compliance may tend to incriminate or subject the respondent to a penalty or forfeiture. However, no testimony or other information compelled under the order over an assertion of a privilege against self-incrimination, nor any information directly or indirectly derived from such testimony or information, may be used against the respondent in any criminal case, except a prosecution for perjury, giving a false statement, or otherwise failing to comply with an order to testify, or as provided in (b) of this subsection.
- (b) A grant of immunity pursuant to this subsection pertains only to immunity from prosecution related to those firearms, dangerous

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weapons, or concealed pistol licenses that are timely surrendered to law enforcement in compliance with an order to surrender and prohibit firearms under this section. Such compelled surrender, or compelled testimony regarding surrender, may nevertheless be used as evidence in an investigation or prosecution related to the respondent having in his or her custody or control, accessing, possessing, purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, other firearms, dangerous weapons, or concealed pistol licenses unlawfully in violation of the order, to the extent such use is consistent with a grant of immunity pursuant to this subsection that is coextensive with the constitutional privilege against self-incrimination.

(c) To provide relevant information to the court to determine compliance with the order, the court may allow the prosecuting attorney or city attorney to question the respondent regarding compliance.

- (10) All law enforcement agencies must develop and implement policies and procedures regarding the acceptance, storage, and return of firearms required to be surrendered under this chapter. A law enforcement agency holding any surrendered firearm or concealed pistol license shall comply with the provisions of RCW 9.41.340 and 9.41.345 before the return of the firearm or concealed pistol license to the owner or individual from whom it was obtained.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 46. FIREARMS RETURN AND DISPOSAL—EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) If an extreme risk protection order is terminated or expires without renewal, a law enforcement agency holding any firearm that has been surrendered pursuant to this chapter shall return any surrendered firearm requested by a respondent only after confirming, through a background check, that the respondent is currently eligible to own or possess firearms under federal and state law, and after confirming with the court that the extreme risk protection order has terminated or has expired without renewal.
- (2) A law enforcement agency must, if requested, provide prior notice of the return of a firearm to a respondent to family or household members and to an intimate partner of the respondent in the manner provided in RCW 9.41.340 and 9.41.345.
- 37 (3) Any firearm surrendered by a respondent pursuant to section 38 45 of this act that remains unclaimed by the lawful owner shall be

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disposed of in accordance with the law enforcement agency's policies and procedures for the disposal of firearms in police custody.

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 47. REPORTING OF ORDERS—EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) The clerk of the court shall enter any extreme risk protection order, including temporary extreme risk protection orders, issued under this chapter into a statewide judicial information system on the same day such order is issued.
- (2) A copy of an extreme risk protection order granted under this 8 9 chapter, including temporary extreme risk protection orders, must be forwarded immediately by the clerk of the court, by electronic means 10 11 if possible, to the law enforcement agency specified in the order. 12 Upon receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall immediately enter the order into the national instant criminal 13 background check system, any other federal or state computer-based 14 systems used by law enforcement or others to identify prohibited 15 purchasers of firearms, and any computer-based criminal intelligence 16 information system available in this state used by law enforcement 17 18 agencies to list outstanding warrants. The order must remain in each system for the period stated in the order, and the law enforcement 19 20 agency shall only expunge orders from the systems that have expired 21 or terminated. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies 22 23 of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any 24 county in the state.
 - (3) The information entered into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system must include notice to law enforcement whether the order was personally served, served by electronic means, served by publication, or served by mail.
 - (4) If a law enforcement agency receives a protection order for entry or service, but the order falls outside the agency's jurisdiction, the agency may enter and serve the order or may immediately forward it to the appropriate law enforcement agency for entry and service, and shall provide documentation back to the court verifying which law enforcement agency has entered and will serve the order.
 - (5) The issuing court shall, within three judicial days after the issuance of any extreme risk protection order, including a temporary extreme risk protection order, forward a copy of the respondent's driver's license or identicard, or comparable information, along with

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- the date of order issuance, to the department of licensing. Upon 1 receipt of the information, the department of licensing shall 2 determine if the respondent has a concealed pistol license. If the 3 respondent does have a concealed pistol license, the department of 4 licensing shall immediately notify a law enforcement agency that the 5 6 court has directed the revocation of the license. The law enforcement 7 agency, upon receipt of such notification, shall immediately revoke the license. 8
- 9 (6) If an extreme risk protection order is terminated before its
 10 expiration date, the clerk of the court shall forward on the same day
 11 a copy of the termination order to the department of licensing and
 12 the law enforcement agency specified in the termination order. Upon
 13 receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall promptly
 14 remove the order from any computer-based system in which it was
 15 entered pursuant to subsection (2) of this section.
- 16 NEW SECTION. Sec. 48. SEALING OF RECORDS—EXTREME RISK 17 PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) A respondent under the age of 18, or a respondent whose extreme risk protection order was based solely on 18 threats of self-harm by the respondent, may petition the court to 19 20 have the court records sealed from public view at the time of the 21 issuance of the full order, at any time during the life of the order, 22 or at any time after its expiration.

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- (2) The court shall seal the court records from public view if there are no other active protection orders against the restrained party, there are no pending violations of the order, and there is evidence of full compliance with the surrender of firearms as ordered by the extreme risk protection order.
- 28 (3) Nothing in this section changes the requirement for the order 29 to be entered into, and maintained in, computer-based systems as 30 required in section 47 of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 49. CERTAIN FINDINGS AND INFORMATION IN ORDERS. (1) Orders issued by the court following a hearing must identify the persons who participated in the hearing and whether each person appeared in person, by telephone, by video, or by other electronic means. If the respondent appeared at the hearing, the order must identify that the respondent has knowledge of the court's order.

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(2) Courts shall not accept agreed orders unless there are findings indicating whether the respondent is a credible threat to the physical safety of the protected person or child.

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- (3) The court shall ensure that in issuing protection orders, including, but not limited to, orders to reissue temporary protection orders and orders to renew protection orders, the court specifies whether the respondent is ordered to surrender, and prohibited from possessing, firearms and dangerous weapons.
- (4) If the court issued a temporary protection order that included a temporary order to surrender and prohibit weapons, the temporary order to surrender and prohibit weapons must automatically reissue with the temporary protection order. If the court determines by a preponderance of the evidence that irreparable injury to the petitioner will not result through the modification or termination of the order to surrender and prohibit weapons as originally entered, then the court must make specific findings.
- 17 (5) If the court has information regarding any of the 18 respondent's known aliases, that information must be included in the 19 protection order.
- 20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 50.** ERRORS IN PROTECTION ORDERS. After a 21 protection order is issued, the court may correct clerical or 22 technical errors in the order at any time. The court may correct errors either on the court's own initiative or upon notice to the 23 24 court of an error. If the court corrects an error in an order, the 25 court shall provide notice of the correction to the parties and the person who notified the court of the error, and shall provide a copy 26 27 of the corrected order. The court shall direct the clerk to forward 28 the corrected order on or before the next judicial day to the law 29 enforcement agency specified in the order.
- 30 Sec. **51.** SEALING OF RECORDS. NEW SECTION. The judicial information system committee's data dissemination committee shall 31 develop recommendations on best practices for courts to consider for 32 whether and when the sealing of records in protection order cases is 33 34 appropriate or necessary under this chapter. The committee shall also 35 consider methods to ensure compliance with the provisions of the federal violence against women act under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 2265(d)(3) 36 37 that prohibit internet publication of filing or registration

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- 1 information of protection orders when such publication is likely to
- 2 reveal the identity or location of the person protected by the order.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 52.** ISSUANCE OF ORDERS NOT DISMISSED OR
- 4 SUSPENDED. The practice of dismissing or suspending a criminal
- 5 prosecution in exchange for the issuance of a protection order
- 6 undermines the purposes of this chapter. Nothing in this chapter
- 7 shall be construed as encouraging that practice.
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to provide additional time to effect service.

- 10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 53.** REISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY PROTECTION
- 11 ORDERS. (1) A temporary protection order issued under this chapter
- 12 may be reissued for the following reasons:
- 13 (a) Agreement of the parties;

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- 14 (b) To provide additional time to effect service of the temporary 15 protection order on the respondent; or
- 16 (c) If the court, in writing, finds good cause to reissue the
- 18 (2) Any temporary orders to surrender and prohibit weapons must 19 also be automatically reissued with the temporary protection order.
 - (3) To ensure that a petitioner is not delayed in receiving a hearing on a petition for a protection order, there is a rebuttable presumption that a temporary protection order should not be reissued more than once or for more than 30 days at the request of the respondent, absent agreement of the parties, good cause, or the need
 - (4) When considering any request to stay, continue, or delay a hearing under this chapter because of the pendency of a parallel criminal investigation or prosecution of the respondent, courts shall apply a rebuttable presumption against such delay and give due recognition to the purpose of this chapter to provide victims quick and effective relief. Courts must consider on the record the following factors:
 - (a) The extent to which a defendant's Fifth Amendment rights are or are not implicated, given the special nature of protection order proceedings which burden a defendant's Fifth Amendment privilege substantially less than do other civil proceedings;
 - (b) Similarities between the civil and criminal cases;

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- 2 (d) The interests of the petitioners in proceeding expeditiously 3 with litigation and the potential prejudice and risk to petitioners 4 of a delay;
 - (e) The burden that any particular aspect of the proceeding may impose on respondents;
 - (f) The convenience of the court in the management of its cases and the efficient use of judicial resources;
- 9 (g) The interests of persons not parties to the civil litigation; 10 and
- 11 (h) The interest of the public in the pending civil and criminal litigation.
 - (5) Courts shall not require a petitioner to complete a new law enforcement information sheet when a temporary protection order is reissued or when a full order for a fixed time period is entered, unless the petitioner indicates that the information needs to be updated or amended. The clerk shall maintain in a restricted file the original law enforcement information sheet that the petitioner completed when filing the original petition for a protection order. The law enforcement information sheet shall not be disclosed to the respondent or be subject to public disclosure.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 54. RENEWAL OF PROTECTION ORDERS, OTHER THAN EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. The following provisions apply to the renewal of all full protection orders issued under this chapter, with the exception of the renewal of extreme risk protection orders.
 - (1) If the court grants a protection order for a fixed time period, the petitioner may file a motion to renew the order at any time within the 90 days before the order expires. The motion for renewal must state the reasons the petitioner seeks to renew the protection order. Upon receipt of a motion for renewal, the court shall order a hearing, which must be not later than 14 days from the date of the order. Service must be made on the respondent not less than five judicial days before the hearing, as provided in section 18 of this act.
 - (2) If the motion for renewal is uncontested and the petitioner seeks no modification of the order, the order may be renewed on the basis of the petitioner's motion and statement of the reason for the requested renewal.

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1 (3) The petitioner bears no burden of proving that he or she has 2 a current reasonable fear of harm by the respondent.

- (4) The court shall grant the motion for renewal unless the respondent proves by a preponderance of the evidence that there has been a substantial change in circumstances and the following:
- (a) For a domestic violence protection order, that the respondent proves that the respondent will not resume acts of domestic violence against the petitioner or the petitioner's family or household members who are minors or vulnerable adults when the order expires;
- (b) For a sexual assault protection order, that the respondent proves that the respondent will not engage in, or attempt to engage in, physical or nonphysical contact with the petitioner when the order expires;
- (c) For a stalking protection order, that the respondent proves that the respondent will not resume acts of stalking against the petitioner or the petitioner's family or household members when the order expires;
- (d) For a vulnerable adult protection order, that the respondent proves that the respondent will not resume acts of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect against the vulnerable adult when the order expires; or
- (e) For an antiharassment protection order, that the respondent proves that the respondent will not resume harassment of the petitioner when the order expires.
- (5) In determining whether there has been a substantial change in circumstances, the court may consider the following unweighted factors, and no inference is to be drawn from the order in which the factors are listed:
- (a) Whether the respondent has committed or threatened sexual assault; domestic violence; stalking; abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect of a vulnerable adult; or other harmful acts against the petitioner or any other person since the protection order was entered;
- (b) Whether the respondent has violated the terms of the protection order and the time that has passed since the entry of the order;
- 37 (c) Whether the respondent has exhibited suicidal ideation or 38 attempts since the protection order was entered;
- 39 (d) Whether the respondent has been convicted of criminal 40 activity since the protection order was entered;

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(e) Whether the respondent has either: Acknowledged responsibility for acts of sexual assault, domestic violence, or stalking, or acts of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect of a vulnerable adult, or behavior that resulted in the entry of the protection order; or successfully completed state-certified perpetrator treatment or counseling since the protection order was entered;

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- 8 (f) Whether the respondent has a continuing involvement with drug 9 or alcohol abuse, if such abuse was a factor in the protection order; 10 and
- 11 (g) Other factors relating to a substantial change in 12 circumstances.
- 13 (6) The court shall not deny a motion to renew a protection order 14 for any of the following reasons:
- 15 (a) The respondent has not violated the protection order 16 previously issued by the court;
 - (b) The petitioner or the respondent is a minor;
 - (c) The petitioner did not report the conduct giving rise to the protection order, or subsequent violations of the protection order, to law enforcement;
 - (d) A no-contact order or a restraining order that restrains the respondent's contact with the petitioner has been issued in a criminal proceeding or in a domestic relations proceeding;
- 24 (e) The relief sought by the petitioner may be available in a 25 different action or proceeding;
 - (f) The passage of time since the last incident of conduct giving rise to the issuance of the protection order; or
 - (g) The respondent no longer lives near the petitioner.
- 29 (7) The terms of the original protection order must not be 30 changed on a motion for renewal unless the petitioner has requested 31 the change.
 - (8) The court may renew the protection order for another fixed time period of no less than one year, or may enter a permanent order as provided in this section.
- 35 (9) If the protection order includes the parties' children, a 36 renewed protection order may be issued for more than one year, 37 subject to subsequent orders entered in a proceeding under chapter 38 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW.

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- 1 (10) The court may award court costs, service fees, and 2 reasonable attorneys' fees to the petitioner as provided in section 3 39 of this act.
- (11) If the court declines to renew the protection order, the 4 court shall state, in writing in the order, the particular reasons 5 6 for the court's denial. If the court declines to renew a protection order that had restrained the respondent from having contact with 7 children protected by the order, the court shall determine on the 8 record whether the respondent and the children should undergo 9 reunification therapy. Any reunification therapy provider should be 10 11 made aware of the respondent's history of domestic violence and 12 should have training and experience in the dynamics of intimate partner violence. 13
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 55. RENEWAL—EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS.

 The following provisions apply to the renewal of extreme risk
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- (1) The court must notify the petitioner of the impending expiration of an extreme risk protection order. Notice must be received by the petitioner 105 calendar days before the date the order expires.
- (2) An intimate partner or family or household member of a respondent, or a law enforcement agency, may by motion request a renewal of an extreme risk protection order at any time within 90 days before the expiration of the order.
- (a) Upon receipt of the motion to renew, the court shall order that a hearing be held not later than 14 days from the date the order issues.
- (b) In determining whether to renew an extreme risk protection order issued under this section, the court shall consider all relevant evidence presented by the petitioner and follow the same procedure as provided in section 27 of this act.
- (c) If the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the requirements for the issuance of an extreme risk protection order as provided in section 27 of this act continue to be met, the court shall renew the order. However, if, after notice, the motion for renewal is uncontested and the petitioner seeks no modification of the order, the order may be renewed on the basis of the petitioner's motion and statement of the reason for the requested renewal.

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1 (d) The renewal of an extreme risk protection order has a 2 duration of one year, subject to termination as provided in section 3 62 of this act or further renewal by order of the court.

4 PART VIII

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5 VIOLATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT

- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 56.** VIOLATION OF ORDER AND PENALTIES, OTHER 6 THAN ANTIHARASSMENT PROTECTION ORDERS OR EXTREME RISK PROTECTION 7 ORDERS. (1)(a) Whenever a domestic violence protection order, a 8 9 sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order is granted under this chapter, or 10 an order is granted under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 11 12 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or there is a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or there is a Canadian 13 14 domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, and 15 the respondent or person to be restrained knows of the order, a violation of any of the following provisions of the order is a gross 16 misdemeanor, except as provided in subsections (4) and (5) of this 17 18 section:
 - (i) The restraint provisions prohibiting acts or threats of violence against, or stalking of, a protected party, or the restraint provisions prohibiting contact with a protected party;
- 22 (ii) A provision excluding the person from a residence, 23 workplace, school, or day care;
 - (iii) A provision prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle;
 - (iv) A provision prohibiting interfering with the protected party's efforts to remove a pet owned, possessed, leased, kept, or held by the petitioner, the respondent, or a minor child residing with either the petitioner or the respondent; or
 - (v) A provision of a foreign protection order or a Canadian domestic violence protection order specifically indicating that a violation will be a crime.
- 34 (b) Upon conviction, and in addition to any other penalties 35 provided by law, the court:
- 36 (i) May require that the respondent submit to electronic 37 monitoring. The court shall specify who must provide the electronic 38 monitoring services and the terms under which the monitoring must be

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performed. The order also may include a requirement that the respondent pay the costs of the monitoring. The court shall consider the ability of the convicted person to pay for electronic monitoring; and

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- (ii) Shall impose a fine of \$15, in addition to any penalty or fine imposed, for a violation of a domestic violence protection order issued under this chapter. Revenue from the \$15 fine must be remitted monthly to the state treasury for deposit in the domestic violence prevention account.
- (2) A law enforcement officer shall arrest without a warrant and take into custody a person whom the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe has violated a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, that restrains the person or excludes the person from a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibits the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, if the person restrained knows of the order. Presence of the order in the law enforcement computer-based criminal intelligence information system is not the only means of establishing knowledge of the order.
 - (3) A violation of a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, shall also constitute contempt of court, and is subject to the penalties prescribed by law.
 - (4) Any assault that is a violation of a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, and that does not amount to assault in the

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first or second degree under RCW 9A.36.011 or 9A.36.021 is a class C felony, and any conduct in violation of such an order that is reckless and creates a substantial risk of death or serious physical injury to another person is a class C felony.

- (5) A violation of a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or vulnerable adult protection order, or a court order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order defined in RCW 26.55.010, is a class C felony if the offender has at least two previous convictions for violating the provisions of a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010. The previous convictions may involve the same victim or other victims specifically protected by the orders the offender violated.
 - (6) Upon the filing of an affidavit by the petitioner or any law enforcement officer alleging that the respondent has violated a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order granted under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, the court may issue an order to the respondent, requiring the respondent to appear and show cause within 14 days as to why the respondent should not be found in contempt of court and punished accordingly. The hearing may be held in the court of any county or municipality in which the petitioner or respondent temporarily or permanently resides at the time of the alleged violation.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 57. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES—ANTIHARASSMENT PROTECTION ORDERS. (1) When the court issues an antiharassment protection order under this chapter, the court shall advise the petitioner that the respondent may not be subjected to the penalties

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set forth in this section for a violation of the order unless the respondent knows of the order.

- (2) A willful disobedience by a respondent age 18 years or over of any of the following provisions of an antiharassment protection order issued under this chapter is a gross misdemeanor:
- (a) The restraint provisions prohibiting acts or threats of violence against, or unlawful harassment or stalking of, a protected party, or restraint provisions prohibiting contact with a protected party;
- 10 (b) A provision excluding the person from a residence, workplace, 11 school, or day care;
 - (c) A provision prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle; or
 - (d) A provision prohibiting interfering with the protected party's efforts to remove a pet owned, possessed, leased, kept, or held by the petitioner, respondent, or a minor child residing with either the petitioner or the respondent.
 - (3) Any respondent age 18 years or over who willfully disobeys the terms of any antiharassment protection order issued under this chapter may also, in the court's discretion, be found in contempt of court and subject to penalties under chapter 7.21 RCW.
 - (4) Any respondent under the age of 18 years who willfully disobeys the terms of an antiharassment protection order issued under this chapter may, in the court's discretion, be found in contempt of court and subject to the sanction specified in RCW 7.21.030(4), provided that the sanction specified in RCW 7.21.030(4) may be imposed only for willful disobedience of the provisions listed in subsection (2) of this section.
 - (5) A defendant arrested for violating any antiharassment protection order issued under this chapter is required to appear in person before a magistrate within one judicial day after the arrest. At the time of the appearance, the court shall determine the necessity of imposing a no-contact order or other conditions of pretrial release in accordance with RCW 9A.46.050.
- 37 (6) A defendant who is charged by citation, complaint, or 38 information with violating any antiharassment protection order issued 39 under this chapter and not arrested shall appear in court for 40 arraignment in accordance with RCW 9A.46.050.

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- 1 (7) Appearances required under this section are mandatory and 2 cannot be waived.
- 3 NEW SECTION. Sec. 58. PENALTIES—EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS.
- 4 (1) Any person who files a petition for an extreme risk protection 5 order knowing the information in such petition to be materially 6 false, or with the intent to harass the respondent, is guilty of a 7 gross misdemeanor.

- (2) Any person who has in his or her custody or control, accesses, purchases, possesses, or receives, or attempts to purchase or receive, a firearm with knowledge that he or she is prohibited from doing so by an extreme risk protection order is guilty of unlawful possession of a firearm in the second degree under RCW 9.41.040, and further is prohibited from having in his or her custody or control, accessing, purchasing, possessing, or receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, a firearm for a period of five years from the date the existing order expires.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 59. ENFORCEMENT—KNOWLEDGE OF ORDER. (1) When the court issues a protection order under this chapter, the court shall advise the petitioner that the respondent may not be subjected to the penalties set forth in this chapter for a violation of the order unless the respondent knows of the order.
 - (2) When a law enforcement officer investigates a report of an alleged violation of a protection order issued under this chapter, the officer shall attempt to determine whether the respondent knew of the existence of the protection order. If the law enforcement officer determines that the respondent did not, or probably did not, know about the protection order and the officer is provided a current copy of the order, the officer shall serve the order on the respondent if the respondent is present. If the respondent is not present, the officer shall make reasonable efforts to serve a copy of the order on the respondent. If the officer serves the respondent with the petitioner's copy of the order, the officer shall give the petitioner a receipt indicating that the petitioner's copy has been served on the respondent. After the officer has served the order on the respondent, the officer shall enforce prospective compliance with the order.
 - (3) Presentation of an unexpired, certified copy of a protection order with proof of service is sufficient for a law enforcement

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1 officer to enforce the order regardless of the presence of the order

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3 information system.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 60. ENFORCEMENT—PROSECUTOR ASSISTANCE. When a party alleging a violation of a protection order issued under this chapter states that the party is unable to afford private counsel and asks the prosecuting attorney for the county or the attorney for the municipality in which the order was issued for assistance, the attorney shall initiate and prosecute a contempt proceeding if there is probable cause to believe that the violation occurred. In this action, the court may require the violator of the order to pay the costs incurred in bringing the action, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

14 PART IX

MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

NEW SECTION. Sec. 61. MODIFICATION OR TERMINATION OF PROTECTION ORDERS, OTHER THAN EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS AND VULNERABLE ADULT PROTECTION ORDERS. This section applies to modification or termination of domestic violence protection orders, sexual assault protection orders, stalking protection orders, and antiharassment protection orders.

- (1) Upon a motion with notice to all parties and after a hearing, the court may modify the terms of an existing protection order or terminate an existing order.
- (2) A respondent's motion to modify or terminate an existing protection order must include a declaration setting forth facts supporting the requested order for modification or termination. The nonmoving parties to the proceeding may file opposing declarations. All motions to modify or terminate shall be based on the written materials and evidence submitted to the court. The court shall set a hearing only if the court finds that adequate cause is established. If the court finds that the respondent established adequate cause, the court shall set a date for hearing the respondent's motion, which must be at least 14 days from the date the court finds adequate cause.
 - (3) Upon the motion of a respondent, the court may not modify or terminate an existing protection order unless the respondent proves

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- 1 by a preponderance of the evidence that there has been a substantial
- 2 change in circumstances such that the respondent will not resume,
- 3 engage in, or attempt to engage in, the following acts against the
- 4 petitioner or those persons protected by the protection order if the
- 5 order is terminated or modified:

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- 6 (a) Acts of domestic violence, in cases involving domestic 7 violence protection orders;
- 8 (b) Physical or nonphysical contact, in cases involving sexual 9 assault protection orders;
- 10 (c) Acts of stalking, in cases involving stalking protection 11 orders; or
- 12 (d) Acts of unlawful harassment, in cases involving 13 antiharassment protection orders.

The petitioner bears no burden of proving that he or she has a current reasonable fear of harm by the respondent.

- (4) In determining whether there has been a substantial change in circumstances, the court may consider the following unweighted factors, and no inference is to be drawn from the order in which the factors are listed:
- (a) Whether the respondent has committed or threatened sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, or other harmful acts against the petitioner or any other person since the protection order was entered;
- (b) Whether the respondent has violated the terms of the protection order and the time that has passed since the entry of the order;
- (c) Whether the respondent has exhibited suicidal ideation or attempts since the protection order was entered;
- 29 (d) Whether the respondent has been convicted of criminal 30 activity since the protection order was entered;
 - (e) Whether the respondent has either acknowledged responsibility for acts of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, or behavior that resulted in the entry of the protection order, or successfully completed state-certified perpetrator treatment or counseling since the protection order was entered;
 - (f) Whether the respondent has a continuing involvement with drug or alcohol abuse, if such abuse was a factor in the protection order;
 - (g) Whether the petitioner consents to terminating the protection order, provided that consent is given voluntarily and knowingly; or

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1 (h) Other factors relating to a substantial change in 2 circumstances.

- (5) In determining whether there has been a substantial change in circumstances, the court may not base its determination on the fact that time has passed without a violation of the order.
- (6) Regardless of whether there is a substantial change in circumstances, the court may decline to terminate a protection order if it finds that the acts of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, unlawful harassment, and other harmful acts that resulted in the issuance of the protection order were of such severity that the order should not be terminated.
- (7) A respondent may file a motion to modify or terminate an order no more than once in every 12-month period that the order is in effect, starting from the date of the order and continuing through any renewal period.
- (8) If a person who is protected by a protection order has a child or adopts a child after a protection order has been issued, but before the protection order has expired, the petitioner may seek to include the new child in the order of protection on an ex parte basis.
- 21 (9) A court may require the respondent to pay the petitioner for 22 costs incurred in responding to a motion to modify or terminate a 23 protection order, including reasonable attorneys' fees.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 62. TERMINATION OF EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS. This section applies to the termination of extreme risk protection orders.
 - (1) The respondent may submit one written request for a hearing to terminate an extreme risk protection order issued under this chapter every 12-month period that the order is in effect, starting from the date of the order and continuing through any renewals.
 - (2) Upon receipt of the request for a hearing to terminate an extreme risk protection order, the court shall set a date for a hearing. The hearing must occur no sooner than 14 days and no later than 30 days from the date of service of the request upon the petitioner.
 - (3) The respondent shall have the burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the respondent does not pose a significant danger of causing personal injury to self or others by having in his or her custody or control, accessing, possessing,

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- purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, a firearm or other dangerous weapons. The court may consider any relevant evidence, including evidence of the considerations listed in section 27 of this act.
- 5 (4) If the court finds after the hearing that the respondent has 6 met his or her burden, the court shall terminate the order.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 63. MODIFICATION OR TERMINATION OF VULNERABLE ADULT PROTECTION ORDERS. This section applies to the modification or termination of vulnerable adult protection orders.
- 10 (1) Any vulnerable adult who has not been adjudicated fully incapacitated under chapter 11.88 RCW, or the vulnerable adult's guardian, may file a motion to modify or terminate the protection order.
- 14 (2) In a hearing on a motion to modify or terminate the 15 protection order, the court shall grant such relief consistent with 16 section 39 of this act as it deems necessary for the protection of 17 the vulnerable adult, including modification or termination of the 18 protection order.
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 64.** REPORTING OF MODIFICATION OR TERMINATION 20 OF ORDER. In any situation where a protection order issued under this 21 chapter is modified or terminated before its expiration date, the clerk of the court shall forward on the same day a true copy of the 22 23 modified order or the termination order to the law enforcement agency 24 specified in the modified or termination order. Upon receipt of the 25 order, the law enforcement agency shall promptly enter it in the 26 computer-based criminal intelligence information system, or if the 27 order is terminated, remove the order from the computer-based criminal intelligence information system. 28

29 PART X
30 MISCELLANEOUS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 65. ORDERS UNDER THIS AND OTHER CHAPTERS, ENFORCEMENT, AND CONSOLIDATION—VALIDITY AND ENFORCEMENT OF ORDERS UNDER PRIOR CHAPTERS. (1)(a) Any order available under this chapter, other than an extreme risk protection order, may be issued in actions under chapter 13.32A, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW. If a protection order is issued in an action under chapter 13.32A, 26.09, 26.26A, or

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- 26.26B RCW, the order must be issued on the forms mandated by section 16 of this act. An order issued in accordance with this subsection (1)(a) is fully enforceable and must be enforced under the provisions of this chapter.
- 5 (b) If a party files an action under chapter 13.32A, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, an order issued previously under this chapter between the same parties may be consolidated by the court under that action and cause number. Any order issued under this chapter after consolidation must contain the original cause number and the cause number of the action under chapter 13.32A, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW.
- 12 (2) Nothing in this act affects the validity of protection orders issued prior to the effective date of this section under chapter 13 7.90, 7.92, 7.94, 10.14, 26.50, or 74.34 RCW. Protection orders 14 entered prior to the effective date of this section under chapter 15 16 7.90, 7.92, 7.94, 10.14, 26.50, or 74.34 RCW are subject to the 17 provisions of this act and are fully enforceable under the applicable provisions of sections 56 through 60 of this act and may be modified 18 19 or terminated in accordance with the applicable provisions of sections 61 through 65 of this act. 20
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 66. JUDICIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM AND DATABASE.
 To prevent the issuance of competing protection orders in different
 courts and to give courts needed information for the issuance of
 orders, the judicial information system must be available in each
 district, municipal, and superior court, and must include a database
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(1) The names of the parties and the cause number for every order of protection issued under this chapter, every criminal no-contact order issued under chapters 9A.46 and 10.99 RCW, every dissolution action under chapter 26.09 RCW, every minor guardianship action under chapter 11.130 RCW, every parentage action under chapter 26.26A or 26.26B RCW, every restraining order issued on behalf of an abused child or adult dependent person under chapter 26.44 RCW, every foreign protection order filed under chapter 26.52 RCW, and every Canadian domestic violence protection order filed under chapter 26.55 RCW. When a guardian or the department of social and health services or department of children, youth, and families has petitioned for relief on behalf of an abused child, adult dependent person, or vulnerable adult, the name of the person on whose behalf relief was

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- sought must be included in the database as a party rather than the quardian or appropriate department;
 - (2) A criminal history of the parties; and

- 4 (3) Other relevant information necessary to assist courts in 5 issuing orders under this chapter as determined by the judicial 6 information system committee.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 67. TITLE TO REAL ESTATE—EFFECT. Nothing in this chapter may affect the title to real estate: PROVIDED, That a judgment for costs or fees awarded under this chapter constitutes a lien on real estate to the extent provided in chapter 4.56 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 68. PROCEEDINGS ADDITIONAL—FILING OF CRIMINAL
 CHARGES NOT REQUIRED. (1) Any proceeding under this chapter is in
 addition to other civil or criminal remedies.
- 14 (2) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as requiring 15 criminal charges to be filed as a condition of a protection order 16 being issued.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 69. OTHER AUTHORITY RETAINED. This chapter does not affect the ability of a law enforcement officer to remove a firearm or concealed pistol license from any person or to conduct any search and seizure for firearms pursuant to other lawful authority.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 70. LIABILITY. (1) Except as provided in section 58 of this act, this chapter does not impose criminal or civil liability on any person or entity for acts or omissions related to obtaining an extreme risk protection order or a temporary extreme risk protection order including, but not limited to, reporting, declining to report, investigating, declining to investigate, filing, or declining to file a petition under this chapter.
- 28 (2) No law enforcement officer may be held criminally or civilly 29 liable for making an arrest under section 56 of this act if the 30 officer acts in good faith.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 71. PROTECTION ORDER COMMISSIONERS—
 APPOINTMENT AUTHORIZED. In each county, the superior court may
 appoint one or more attorneys to act as protection order
 commissioners pursuant to this chapter to exercise all powers and

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- 1 perform all duties of a court commissioner appointed pursuant to RCW
- 2 2.24.010, provided that such positions may not be created without
- 3 prior consent of the county legislative authority. A person appointed
- 4 as a protection order commissioner under this chapter may also be
- 5 appointed to any other commissioner position authorized by law.
- 6 Protection order commissioners should receive training as specified
- 7 in section 35 of this act.

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- 8 Sec. 72. RCW 7.--.-- and 2021 c ... (this act) s 2 are each 9 amended to read as follows:
- The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
 - (1) "Abandonment" means action or inaction by a person or entity with a duty of care for a vulnerable adult that leaves the vulnerable adult without the means or ability to obtain necessary food, clothing, shelter, or health care.
 - (2) "Abuse," for the purposes of a vulnerable adult protection order, means intentional, willful, or reckless action or inaction that inflicts injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation, or punishment on a vulnerable adult. In instances of abuse of a vulnerable adult who is unable to express or demonstrate physical harm, pain, or mental anguish, the abuse is presumed to cause physical harm, pain, or mental anguish. "Abuse" includes sexual abuse, mental abuse, physical abuse, personal exploitation, and improper use of restraint against a vulnerable adult, which have the following meanings:
 - (a) "Improper use of restraint" means the inappropriate use of chemical, physical, or mechanical restraints for convenience or discipline, or in a manner that: (i) Is inconsistent with federal or state licensing or certification requirements for facilities, hospitals, or programs authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW; (ii) is not medically authorized; or (iii) otherwise constitutes abuse under this section.
- 33 (b) "Mental abuse" means an intentional, willful, or reckless 34 verbal or nonverbal action that threatens, humiliates, harasses, 35 coerces, intimidates, isolates, unreasonably confines, or punishes a 36 vulnerable adult. "Mental abuse" may include ridiculing, yelling, 37 swearing, or withholding or tampering with prescribed medications or 38 their dosage.

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(c) "Personal exploitation" means an act of forcing, compelling, or exerting undue influence over a vulnerable adult causing the vulnerable adult to act in a way that is inconsistent with relevant past behavior, or causing the vulnerable adult to perform services for the benefit of another.

- (d) "Physical abuse" means the intentional, willful, or reckless action of inflicting bodily injury or physical mistreatment. "Physical abuse" includes, but is not limited to, striking with or without an object, slapping, pinching, strangulation, suffocation, kicking, shoving, or prodding.
- (e) "Sexual abuse" means any form of nonconsensual sexual conduct including, but not limited to, unwanted or inappropriate touching, rape, molestation, indecent liberties, sexual coercion, sexually explicit photographing or recording, voyeurism, indecent exposure, and sexual harassment. "Sexual abuse" also includes any sexual conduct between a staff person, who is not also a resident or client, of a facility or a staff person of a program authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW, and a vulnerable adult living in that facility or receiving service from a program authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW, whether or not the sexual conduct is consensual.
- (3) "Chemical restraint" means the administration of any drug to manage a vulnerable adult's behavior in a way that reduces the safety risk to the vulnerable adult or others, has the temporary effect of restricting the vulnerable adult's freedom of movement, and is not standard treatment for the vulnerable adult's medical or psychiatric condition.
- (4) "Coercive control" means a pattern of behavior that in purpose or effect unreasonably interferes with a person's free will and personal liberty and is used to cause another to suffer physical or psychological harm. Examples of coercive control include, but are not limited to, unreasonably engaging in any of the following:
- (a) Making threats of harm, dependence, isolation, intimidation, and/or physical forms of violence;
- 34 (b) Isolating the other party from friends, relatives, or other 35 sources of support;
- 36 (c) Depriving the other party of basic necessities or committing 37 other forms of economic abuse;
- 38 (d) Controlling, regulating, or monitoring the other party's 39 movements, communications, daily behavior, finances, economic 40 resources, or access to services;

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- (e) Compelling the other party by force, threat of force, or intimidation, including threats based on actual or suspected immigration status such as threats to contact federal agencies, to engage in conduct from which the other party has a right to abstain or to abstain from conduct in which the other party has a right to engage;
- (f) Using technology, including, but not limited to, cyberstalking, monitoring, surveillance, impersonation, or distribution of intimate images, to harass, stalk, or abuse;
- (g) Engaging in vexatious or abusive litigation against a petitioner to harass, coerce, or control the petitioner; to diminish or exhaust the petitioner's financial resources; or to compromise the petitioner's employment or housing;
 - (h) Engaging in psychological aggression; and

- 15 (i) Frightening, humiliating, degrading, or punishing the other 16 party.
 - (5) "Consent" in the context of sexual acts means that at the time of sexual contact, there are actual words or conduct indicating freely given agreement to that sexual contact. Consent must be ongoing and may be revoked at any time. Conduct short of voluntary agreement does not constitute consent as a matter of law. Consent cannot be freely given when a person does not have capacity due to disability, intoxication, or age. Consent cannot be freely given when the other party has authority or control over the care or custody of a person incarcerated or detained.
 - (6) (a) "Course of conduct" means a pattern of conduct composed of a series of acts over a period of time, however short, evidencing a continuity of purpose. "Course of conduct" includes any form of communication, contact, or conduct, including the sending of an electronic communication, but does not include constitutionally protected free speech. Constitutionally protected activity is not included within the meaning of "course of conduct."
 - (b) In determining whether the course of conduct serves any legitimate or lawful purpose, a court should consider whether:
 - (i) Any current contact between the parties was initiated by the respondent only or was initiated by both parties;
- 37 (ii) The respondent has been given clear notice that all further 38 contact with the petitioner is unwanted;
- 39 (iii) The respondent's course of conduct appears designed to 40 alarm, annoy, or harass the petitioner;

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- 1 (iv) The respondent is acting pursuant to any statutory authority 2 including, but not limited to, acts which are reasonably necessary 3 to:
 - (A) Protect property or liberty interests;
 - (B) Enforce the law; or

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- (C) Meet specific statutory duties or requirements;
- (v) The respondent's course of conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with the petitioner's privacy or the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive living environment for the petitioner; or
- 11 (vi) Contact by the respondent with the petitioner or the 12 petitioner's family has been limited in any manner by any previous 13 court order.
- 14 (7) "Court clerk" means court administrators in courts of limited 15 jurisdiction and elected court clerks.
 - (8) "Dating relationship" means a social relationship of a romantic nature. Factors that the court may consider in making this determination include: (a) The length of time the relationship has existed; (b) the nature of the relationship; and (c) the frequency of interaction between the parties.
 - (9) "Domestic violence" means:
 - (a) Physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of fear of physical harm, bodily injury, or assault; nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration; coercive control; unlawful harassment; or stalking of one intimate partner by another intimate partner; or
 - (b) Physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of fear of physical harm, bodily injury, or assault; nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration; coercive control; unlawful harassment; or stalking of one family or household member by another family or household member.
- 32 (10) "Electronic monitoring" has the same meaning as in RCW 33 9.94A.030.
- 34 (11) "Essential personal effects" means those items necessary for 35 a person's immediate health, welfare, and livelihood. "Essential 36 personal effects" includes, but is not limited to, clothing, cribs, 37 bedding, medications, personal hygiene items, cellular phones and 38 other electronic devices, and documents, including immigration, 39 health care, financial, travel, and identity documents.

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(12) "Facility" means a residence licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW, assisted living facilities; chapter 18.51 RCW, nursing homes; chapter 70.128 RCW, adult family homes; chapter 72.36 RCW, soldiers' homes; chapter 71A.20 RCW, residential habilitation centers; or any other facility licensed or certified by the department of social and health services.

- (13) "Family or household members" means: (a) Persons related by blood, marriage, domestic partnership, or adoption; (b) persons who currently or formerly resided together; (c) persons who have a biological or legal parent-child relationship, including stepparents and stepchildren and grandparents and grandchildren, or a parent's intimate partner and children; and (d) a person who is acting or has acted as a legal guardian.
- (14) "Financial exploitation" means the illegal or improper use of, control over, or withholding of, the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult by any person or entity for any person's or entity's profit or advantage other than for the vulnerable adult's profit or advantage. "Financial exploitation" includes, but is not limited to:
- (a) The use of deception, intimidation, or undue influence by a person or entity in a position of trust and confidence with a vulnerable adult to obtain or use the property, income, resources, government benefits, health insurance benefits, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult for the benefit of a person or entity other than the vulnerable adult;
- (b) The breach of a fiduciary duty, including, but not limited to, the misuse of a power of attorney, trust, or a guardianship or conservatorship appointment, that results in the unauthorized appropriation, sale, or transfer of the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult for the benefit of a person or entity other than the vulnerable adult; or
- (c) Obtaining or using a vulnerable adult's property, income, resources, or trust funds without lawful authority, by a person or entity who knows or clearly should know that the vulnerable adult lacks the capacity to consent to the release or use of the vulnerable adult's property, income, resources, or trust funds.
- (15) "Firearm" means a weapon or device from which a projectile or projectiles may be fired by an explosive such as gunpowder. "Firearm" does not include a flare gun or other pyrotechnic visual distress signaling device, or a powder-actuated tool or other device

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designed solely to be used for construction purposes. "Firearm" also includes parts that can be assembled to make a firearm.

- (16) "Full hearing" means a hearing where the court determines whether to issue a full protection order.
- (17) "Full protection order" means a protection order that is issued by the court after notice to the respondent and where the parties had the opportunity for a full hearing by the court. "Full protection order" includes a protection order entered by the court by agreement of the parties to resolve the petition for a protection order without a full hearing.
- (18) "Hospital" means a facility licensed under chapter 70.41 or 71.12 RCW or a state hospital defined in chapter 72.23 RCW and any employee, agent, officer, director, or independent contractor thereof.
- 15 (19) (("Incapacitated person" means a person who is at a significant risk of personal or financial harm under RCW 11.88.010(1) (a), (b), (c), or (d).
 - (20)) "Interested person" means a person who demonstrates to the court's satisfaction that the person is interested in the welfare of a vulnerable adult, that the person has a good faith belief that the court's intervention is necessary, and that the vulnerable adult is unable, due to incapacity, undue influence, or duress at the time the petition is filed, to protect his or her own interests.
 - $((\frac{(21)}{(21)}))$ <u>(20)</u> "Intimate partner" means: (a) Spouses or domestic partners; (b) former spouses or former domestic partners; (c) persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time; or (d) persons who have or have had a dating relationship where both persons are at least 13 years of age or older.
 - $((\frac{(22)}{(21)}))$ (21) (a) "Isolate" or "isolation" means to restrict a person's ability to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with persons of his or her choosing. Isolation may be evidenced by acts including, but not limited to:
 - (i) Acts that prevent a person from sending, making, or receiving his or her personal mail, electronic communications, or telephone calls; or
- (ii) Acts that prevent or obstruct a person from meeting with others, such as telling a prospective visitor or caller that the person is not present or does not wish contact, where the statement is contrary to the express wishes of the person.

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(b) The term "isolate" or "isolation" may not be construed in a manner that prevents a guardian or limited guardian from performing his or her fiduciary obligations under chapter ((11.92)) 11.130 RCW or prevents a hospital or facility from providing treatment consistent with the standard of care for delivery of health services.

(((23))) <u>(22)</u> "Judicial day" means days of the week other than Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays.

((\(\frac{(24)}{)}\)) (23) "Mechanical restraint" means any device attached or adjacent to a vulnerable adult's body that the vulnerable adult cannot easily remove that restricts freedom of movement or normal access to the vulnerable adult's body. "Mechanical restraint" does not include the use of devices, materials, or equipment that are (a) medically authorized, as required, and (b) used in a manner that is consistent with federal or state licensing or certification requirements for facilities, hospitals, or programs authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW.

 $((\frac{(25)}{)}))$ <u>(24)</u> "Minor" means a person who is under 18 years of age.

(((26))) (25) "Neglect" means: (a) A pattern of conduct or inaction by a person or entity with a duty of care that fails to provide the goods and services that maintain the physical or mental health of a vulnerable adult, or that fails to avoid or prevent physical or mental harm or pain to a vulnerable adult; or (b) an act or omission by a person or entity with a duty of care that demonstrates a serious disregard of consequences of such a magnitude as to constitute a clear and present danger to the vulnerable adult's health, welfare, or safety including, but not limited to, conduct prohibited under RCW 9A.42.100.

 $((\frac{27}{1}))$ <u>(26)</u> "Nonconsensual" means a lack of freely given consent.

 $((\frac{(28)}{)})$ $\underline{(27)}$ "Nonphysical contact" includes, but is not limited to, written notes, mail, telephone calls, email, text messages, contact through social media applications, contact through other technologies, and contact through third parties.

((-(29))) <u>(28)</u> "Petitioner" means any named petitioner or any other person identified in the petition on whose behalf the petition is brought.

(((30))) <u>(29)</u> "Physical restraint" means the application of physical force without the use of any device, for the purpose of restraining the free movement of a vulnerable adult's body. "Physical

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restraint" does not include (a) briefly holding, without undue force, a vulnerable adult in order to calm or comfort him or her, or (b) holding a vulnerable adult's hand to safely escort him or her from one area to another.

- $((\frac{31}{10}))$ <u>(30)</u> "Possession" means having an item in one's custody or control. Possession may be either actual or constructive. Actual possession occurs when the item is in the actual physical custody of the person charged with possession. Constructive possession occurs when there is no actual physical possession, but there is dominion and control over the item.
- $((\frac{32}{1}))$ (31) "Respondent" means the person who is identified as 12 the respondent in a petition filed under this chapter.
 - (((33))) (32) "Sexual conduct" means any of the following:
- 14 (a) Any intentional or knowing touching or fondling of the 15 genitals, anus, or breasts, directly or indirectly, including through 16 clothing;
 - (b) Any intentional or knowing display of the genitals, anus, or breasts for the purposes of arousal or sexual gratification of the respondent;
 - (c) Any intentional or knowing touching or fondling of the genitals, anus, or breasts, directly or indirectly, including through clothing, that the petitioner is forced to perform by another person or the respondent;
 - (d) Any forced display of the petitioner's genitals, anus, or breasts for the purposes of arousal or sexual gratification of the respondent or others;
 - (e) Any intentional or knowing touching of the clothed or unclothed body of a child under the age of 16, if done for the purpose of sexual gratification or arousal of the respondent or others; or
 - (f) Any coerced or forced touching or fondling by a child under the age of 16, directly or indirectly, including through clothing, of the genitals, anus, or breasts of the respondent or others.
 - (((34))) <u>(33)</u> "Sexual penetration" means any contact, however slight, between the sex organ or anus of one person by an object, the sex organ, mouth, or anus of another person, or any intrusion, however slight, of any part of the body of one person or of any animal or object into the sex organ or anus of another person including, but not limited to, cunnilingus, fellatio, or anal

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1 penetration. Evidence of emission of semen is not required to prove 2 sexual penetration.

 $((\frac{35}{1}))$ (34) "Stalking" means any of the following:

- (a) Any act of stalking as defined under RCW 9A.46.110;
- (b) Any act of cyberstalking as defined under RCW 9.61.260; or
- (c) Any course of conduct involving repeated or continuing contacts, attempts to contact, monitoring, tracking, surveillance, keeping under observation, disrupting activities in a harassing manner, or following of another person that:
- 10 (i) Would cause a reasonable person to feel intimidated, 11 frightened, under duress, significantly disrupted, or threatened and 12 that actually causes such a feeling;
 - (ii) Serves no lawful purpose; and

- (iii) The respondent knows, or reasonably should know, threatens, frightens, or intimidates the person, even if the respondent did not intend to intimidate, frighten, or threaten the person.
 - (((36))) <u>(35)</u> "Temporary protection order" means a protection order that is issued before the court has decided whether to issue a full protection order. "Temporary protection order" includes ex parte temporary protection orders, as well as temporary protection orders that are reissued by the court pending the completion of a full hearing to decide whether to issue a full protection order. An "ex parte temporary protection order" means a temporary protection order that is issued without prior notice to the respondent.

 $((\frac{37}{1}))$ (36) "Unlawful harassment" means:

- (a) A knowing and willful course of conduct directed at a specific person that seriously alarms, annoys, harasses, or is detrimental to such person, and that serves no legitimate or lawful purpose. The course of conduct must be such as would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress, and must actually cause substantial emotional distress to the petitioner; or
- (b) A single act of violence or threat of violence directed at a specific person that seriously alarms, annoys, harasses, or is detrimental to such person, and that serves no legitimate or lawful purpose, which would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress, and must actually cause substantial emotional distress to the petitioner. A single threat of violence must include:

 (i) A malicious and intentional threat as described in RCW 9A.36.080(1)(c); or (ii) the presence of a firearm or other weapon.
 - $((\frac{(38)}{(37)}))$ "Vulnerable adult" includes a person:

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- 1 (a) Sixty years of age or older who has the functional, mental, 2 or physical inability to care for himself or herself; or
 - (b) ((Found incapacitated under chapter 11.88 RCW)) Subject to a guardianship under RCW 11.130.265 or adult subject to conservatorship under RCW 11.130.360; or
- 6 (c) Who has a developmental disability as defined under RCW 71A.10.020; or
 - (d) Admitted to any facility; or

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- 9 (e) Receiving services from home health, hospice, or home care 10 agencies licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 70.127 11 RCW; or
- 12 (f) Receiving services from a person under contract with the 13 department of social and health services to provide services in the 14 home under chapter 74.09 or 74.39A RCW; or
- 15 (g) Who self-directs his or her own care and receives services 16 from a personal aide under chapter 74.39 RCW.
- 17 **Sec. 73.** RCW 7.--.-- and 2021 c ... (this act) s 28 are each 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 For vulnerable adult protection order hearings, the following 20 also apply.
 - (1) When a petition for a vulnerable adult protection order is filed by someone other than the vulnerable adult or the vulnerable adult's ((full)) guardian ((over either the)), conservator, or person ((or the estate)) acting under a protective arrangement, or both, and the vulnerable adult for whom protection is sought advises the court at the hearing that the vulnerable adult does not want all or part of the protection sought in the petition, then the court may dismiss the petition or the provisions that the vulnerable adult objects to and any existing vulnerable adult protection order, or the court may take additional testimony or evidence, or order additional evidentiary hearings to determine whether the vulnerable adult is unable, due to incapacity, undue influence, or duress, to protect his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition or order. If an additional evidentiary hearing is ordered and the court determines that there is reason to believe that there is a genuine issue about whether the vulnerable adult is unable to protect his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition or order, the court may issue a temporary protection order

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of the vulnerable adult pending a decision after the evidentiary hearing.

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- (2) Pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, an evidentiary hearing on the issue of whether the vulnerable adult is unable, due to incapacity, undue influence, or duress, to protect his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition or order, must be held within 14 days of entry of the temporary protection order. If the court did not enter a temporary protection order, the evidentiary hearing must be held within 14 days of the prior hearing on the petition. Notice of the time and place of the evidentiary hearing must be served upon the vulnerable adult and the respondent not less than five judicial days before the hearing. If timely service cannot be made, the court may set a new hearing date. A hearing under this subsection is not necessary if the vulnerable adult has been determined to be ((fully incapacitated over either the person or the estate, or both, under the)) subject to a guardianship ((laws)), <u>conservatorship</u>, <u>or other protective arrangement under</u> chapter ((11.88)) 11.130 RCW. If a hearing is scheduled under this subsection, the protection order must remain in effect pending the court's decision at the subsequent hearing.
 - (3) At the hearing held pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the court shall give the vulnerable adult, the respondent, the petitioner, and, in the court's discretion, other interested persons, the opportunity to testify and submit relevant evidence.
- (4) If the court determines that the vulnerable adult is capable of protecting his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition, and the vulnerable adult continues to object to the protection order, the court shall dismiss the order or may modify the order if agreed to by the vulnerable adult. If the court determines that the vulnerable adult is not capable of protecting his or her person or estate in connection with the issues raised in the petition or order, and that the vulnerable adult continues to need protection, the court shall order relief consistent with this chapter as it deems necessary for the protection of the vulnerable adult. In the entry of any order that is inconsistent with the expressed wishes of the vulnerable adult, the court's order is governed by the legislative findings contained in RCW 7.--.-- (section 1, chapter . . . (this act), Laws of 2021).

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Sec. 74. RCW 7.--.-- and 2021 c ... (this act) s 63 are each amended to read as follows:

This section applies to the modification or termination of vulnerable adult protection orders.

- (1) Any vulnerable adult who ((has not been adjudicated fully incapacitated under chapter 11.88 RCW)) is subject to a limited guardianship, limited conservatorship, or other protective arrangement under chapter 11.130 RCW, or the vulnerable adult's guardian, conservator, or person acting on behalf of the vulnerable adult under a protective arrangement, may, at any time subsequent to the entry of a permanent protection order under this chapter, file a motion to modify or terminate the protection order.
- 13 (2) In a hearing on a motion to modify or terminate the 14 protection order, the court shall grant such relief consistent with 15 RCW 7.--.-- (section 39, chapter . . . (this act), Laws of 2021) as 16 it deems necessary for the protection of the vulnerable adult, 17 including modification or termination of the protection order.

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EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS AND ORDERS TO SURRENDER AND PROHIBIT WEAPONS

- 21 **Sec. 75.** RCW 9.41.040 and 2020 c 29 s 4 are each amended to read 22 as follows:
 - (1) (a) A person, whether an adult or juvenile, is guilty of the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm in the first degree, if the person owns, has in his or her possession, or has in his or her control any firearm after having previously been convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state or elsewhere of any serious offense as defined in this chapter.
- 29 (b) Unlawful possession of a firearm in the first degree is a 30 class B felony punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW.
 - (2) (a) A person, whether an adult or juvenile, is guilty of the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm in the second degree, if the person does not qualify under subsection (1) of this section for the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm in the first degree and the person owns, has in his or her possession, or has in his or her control any firearm:
- 37 (i) After having previously been convicted or found not guilty by 38 reason of insanity in this state or elsewhere of any felony not

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- specifically listed as prohibiting firearm possession under subsection (1) of this section, or any of the following crimes when committed by one family or household member against another or by one intimate partner against another, committed on or after July 1, 1993: Assault in the fourth degree, coercion, stalking, reckless endangerment, criminal trespass in the first degree, or violation of the provisions of a protection order or no-contact order restraining the person or excluding the person from a residence (($(RCW 26.50.060_T)$ 26.50.070, 26.50.130,)) chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) or RCW 10.99.040);
 - (ii) After having previously been convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state or elsewhere of harassment when committed by one family or household member against another or by one intimate partner against another, committed on or after June 7, 2018;

- (iii) During any period of time that the person is subject to an extreme risk protection order issued under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) that was issued after a hearing for which the person received actual notice, and at which the person had an opportunity to participate, whether the court then issues a full order or reissues a temporary order. If the court enters an agreed order by the parties without a hearing, such an order meets the requirements of this subsection;
- (iv) During any period of time that the person is subject to a court order issued under chapter ((7.90, 7.92,)) 7.--- (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), 9A.46, ((10.14,)) 10.99, 26.09, ((26.10,)) 26.26A, or 26.26B((7.90, 26.50)) RCW that:
- (A) Was issued after a hearing ((of)) for which the person received actual notice, and at which the person had an opportunity to participate, whether the court then issues a full order or reissues a temporary order. If the court enters an agreed order by the parties without a hearing, such an order meets the requirements of this subsection;
- (B) Restrains the person from harassing, stalking, or threatening the person protected under the order or child of the person or protected person, or engaging in other conduct that would place the protected person in reasonable fear of bodily injury to the protected person or child; and
- (C)(I) Includes a finding that the person represents a credible threat to the physical safety of the protected person or child and by its terms explicitly prohibits the use, attempted use, or threatened

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use of physical force against the protected person or child that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury; or

- (II) Includes an order under RCW 9.41.800 requiring the person to surrender all firearms and prohibiting the person from accessing, ((obtaining, or)) having in his or her custody or control, possessing, purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, firearms;
- (((iv))) (v) After having previously been involuntarily committed ((for mental health treatment)) based on a mental disorder under RCW 71.05.240, 71.05.320, 71.34.740, 71.34.750, chapter 10.77 RCW, or equivalent statutes of another jurisdiction, unless his or her right to possess a firearm has been restored as provided in RCW 9.41.047;
- $((\frac{(v)}{v}))$ (vi) After dismissal of criminal charges based on incompetency to stand trial under RCW 10.77.088 when the court has made a finding indicating that the defendant has a history of one or more violent acts, unless his or her right to possess a firearm has been restored as provided in RCW 9.41.047;
- $((\frac{\text{(vi)}}{\text{)}})$ <u>(vii)</u> If the person is under $(\frac{\text{eighteen}}{\text{of}})$ <u>18</u> years of age, except as provided in RCW 9.41.042; and/or
- $((\frac{\text{(vii)}}{\text{)}})$ <u>(viii)</u> If the person is free on bond or personal recognizance pending trial, appeal, or sentencing for a serious offense as defined in RCW 9.41.010.
- (b) (((a)(iii) of this subsection does not apply to a sexual assault protection order under chapter 7.90 RCW if the order has been modified pursuant to RCW 7.90.170 to remove any restrictions on firearm purchase, transfer, or possession.
- (c))) Unlawful possession of a firearm in the second degree is a class C felony punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- (3) Notwithstanding RCW 9.41.047 or any other provisions of law, as used in this chapter, a person has been "convicted," whether in an adult court or adjudicated in a juvenile court, at such time as a plea of guilty has been accepted or a verdict of guilty has been filed, notwithstanding the pendency of any future proceedings including, but not limited to, sentencing or disposition, post-trial or post-fact-finding motions, and appeals. Conviction includes a dismissal entered after a period of probation, suspension, or deferral of sentence, and also includes equivalent dispositions by courts in jurisdictions other than Washington state. A person shall not be precluded from possession of a firearm if the conviction has been the subject of a pardon, annulment, certificate of

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rehabilitation, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of the rehabilitation of the person convicted or the conviction or disposition has been the subject of a pardon, annulment, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of innocence. Where no record of the court's disposition of the charges can be found, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the person was not convicted of the charge.

(4)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (1) or (2) of this section, a person convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity of an offense prohibiting the possession of a firearm under this section other than murder, manslaughter, robbery, rape, indecent liberties, arson, assault, kidnapping, extortion, burglary, or violations with respect to controlled substances under RCW 69.50.401 and 69.50.410, who received a probationary sentence under RCW 9.95.200, and who received a dismissal of the charge under RCW 9.95.240, shall not be precluded from possession of a firearm as a result of the conviction or finding of not guilty by reason of insanity. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, if a person is prohibited from possession of a firearm under subsection (1) or (2) of this section and has not previously been convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity of a sex offense prohibiting firearm ownership under subsection (1) or (2) of this section and/or any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or with a maximum sentence of at least ((twenty)) 20 years, or both, the individual may petition a court of record to have his or her right to possess a firearm restored:

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- (ii) (A) If the conviction or finding of not guilty by reason of insanity was for a felony offense, after five or more consecutive years in the community without being convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity or currently charged with any felony, gross misdemeanor, or misdemeanor crimes, if the individual has no prior felony convictions that prohibit the possession of a firearm counted as part of the offender score under RCW 9.94A.525; or
- (B) If the conviction or finding of not guilty by reason of insanity was for a nonfelony offense, after three or more consecutive years in the community without being convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity or currently charged with any felony, gross misdemeanor, or misdemeanor crimes, if the individual has no prior felony convictions that prohibit the possession of a firearm counted

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- as part of the offender score under RCW 9.94A.525 and the individual has completed all conditions of the sentence.
- 3 (b) An individual may petition a court of record to have his or 4 her right to possess a firearm restored under (a) of this subsection 5 only at:
- 6 (i) The court of record that ordered the petitioner's prohibition 7 on possession of a firearm; or
- 8 (ii) The superior court in the county in which the petitioner 9 resides.
- (5) In addition to any other penalty provided for by law, if a 10 11 person under the age of ((eighteen)) 18 years is found by a court to 12 have possessed a firearm in a vehicle in violation of subsection (1) or (2) of this section or to have committed an offense while armed 13 with a firearm during which offense a motor vehicle served an 14 integral function, the court shall notify the department of licensing 15 16 within ((twenty-four)) 24 hours and the person's privilege to drive 17 shall be revoked under RCW 46.20.265, unless the offense is the juvenile's first offense in violation of this section and has not 18 committed an offense while armed with a firearm, an unlawful 19 possession of a firearm offense, or an offense in violation of 20 chapter 66.44, 69.52, 69.41, or 69.50 RCW. 21

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- (6) Nothing in chapter 129, Laws of 1995 shall ever be construed or interpreted as preventing an offender from being charged and subsequently convicted for the separate felony crimes of theft of a firearm or possession of a stolen firearm, or both, in addition to being charged and subsequently convicted under this section for unlawful possession of a firearm in the first or second degree. Notwithstanding any other law, if the offender is convicted under this section for unlawful possession of a firearm in the first or second degree and for the felony crimes of theft of a firearm or possession of a stolen firearm, or both, then the offender shall serve consecutive sentences for each of the felony crimes of conviction listed in this subsection.
- 34 (7) Each firearm unlawfully possessed under this section shall be 35 a separate offense.
- 36 **Sec. 76.** RCW 9.41.075 and 2005 c 453 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:
- 38 (1) The license shall be revoked by ((the license-issuing 39 authority)) a law enforcement agency immediately upon:

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(a) Discovery by the ((issuing authority)) law enforcement agency that the ((person)) licensee was ineligible under RCW 9.41.070 for a concealed pistol license when applying for the license or license renewal;

- (b) Conviction of the licensee, or the licensee being found not guilty by reason of insanity, of an offense, or commitment of the licensee for mental health treatment, that makes a person ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a firearm;
- 9 (c) Conviction of the licensee for a third violation of this 10 chapter within five calendar years; $((\frac{or}{or}))$
- 11 (d) An order that the licensee forfeit a firearm under RCW 12 9.41.098(1)(d); or
 - (e) The law enforcement agency's receipt of an order to surrender and prohibit weapons or an extreme risk protection order, other than an ex parte temporary protection order, issued against the licensee.
 - (2) (a) Unless the person may lawfully possess a pistol without a concealed pistol license, an ineligible person to whom a concealed pistol license was issued shall, within ((fourteen)) 14 days of license revocation, lawfully transfer ownership of any pistol acquired while the person was in possession of the license.
 - (b) Upon discovering a person issued a concealed pistol license was ineligible for the license, the ((issuing authority)) law enforcement agency shall contact the department of licensing to determine whether the person purchased a pistol while in possession of the license. If the person did purchase a pistol while in possession of the concealed pistol license, if the person may not lawfully possess a pistol without a concealed pistol license, the ((issuing authority)) law enforcement agency shall require the person to present satisfactory evidence of having lawfully transferred ownership of the pistol. The ((issuing authority)) law enforcement agency shall require the person to produce the evidence within ((fifteen)) 15 days of the revocation of the license.
- 33 (3) When a licensee is ordered to forfeit a firearm under RCW 34 9.41.098(1)(d), the ((issuing authority)) law enforcement agency shall:
 - (a) On the first forfeiture, revoke the license for one year;
- 37 (b) On the second forfeiture, revoke the license for two years; 38 or
- 39 (c) On the third or subsequent forfeiture, revoke the license for 40 five years.

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- Any person whose license is revoked as a result of a forfeiture of a firearm under RCW 9.41.098(1)(d) may not reapply for a new license until the end of the revocation period.
- 4 (4) The ((issuing authority)) law enforcement agency shall notify, in writing, the department of licensing of the revocation of a license. The department of licensing shall record the revocation.
- 7 **Sec. 77.** RCW 9.41.800 and 2019 c 245 s 1 and 2019 c 46 s 5006 8 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 9 (1) Any court when entering an order authorized under chapter ((7.92 RCW, RCW 7.90.090)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in 10 11 <u>section 81 of this act)</u>, <u>RCW</u> 9A.46.080, ((10.14.080,)) 10.99.040, 26.09.050, 26.09.060, $((26.10.040, 26.10.115_{r}))$ 12 10.99.045, 26.26B.020, $((26.50.060, 26.50.070_{t}))$ or 26.26A.470 shall, upon a 13 showing by ((clear and convincing)) a preponderance of the evidence, 14 15 that a party has: Used, displayed, or threatened to use a firearm or other dangerous weapon in a felony, or is ineligible to possess a 16 firearm under the provisions of RCW 9.41.040: 17
- 18 (a) Require that the party immediately surrender all firearms and other dangerous weapons;
- 20 (b) Require that the party immediately surrender any concealed 21 pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070;
- (c) Prohibit the party from accessing, ((obtaining, or)) having in his or her custody or control, possessing, purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, any firearms or other dangerous weapons;
- 26 (d) Prohibit the party from obtaining or possessing a concealed 27 pistol license;

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- (e) Other than for ex parte temporary protection orders, unless the ex parte temporary protection order was reissued after the party received noticed and had an opportunity to be heard, direct law enforcement to revoke any concealed pistol license issued to the party.
- (2) ((Any court when entering an order authorized under chapter 7.92 RCW, RCW 7.90.090, 9A.46.080, 10.14.080, 10.99.040, 10.99.045, 26.09.050, 26.09.060, 26.10.040, 26.10.115, 26.26B.020, 26.50.060, 26.50.070, or 26.26A.470 may, upon a showing by a preponderance of the evidence but not by clear and convincing evidence, that a party has: Used, displayed, or threatened to use a firearm or other

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dangerous weapon in a felony, or is ineligible to possess a firearm under the provisions of RCW 9.41.040:

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- 3 (a) Require that the party immediately surrender all firearms and other dangerous weapons;
 - (b) Require that the party immediately surrender a concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070;
 - (c) Prohibit the party from accessing, obtaining, or possessing any firearms or other dangerous weapons;
- 9 (d) Prohibit the party from obtaining or possessing a concealed 10 pistol license.
- 11 (3)) During any period of time that the ((person)) party is
 12 subject to a court order issued under chapter ((7.90, 7.92)) 7.--13 (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), 9A.46,
 14 ((10.14,)) 10.99, 26.09, ((26.10,)) 26.26A, or 26.26B((, or 26.50))
 15 RCW that:
 - (a) Was issued after a hearing of which the ((person)) party received actual notice, and at which the ((person)) party had an opportunity to participate, whether the court then issues a full order or reissues a temporary order. If the court enters an agreed order by the parties without a hearing, such an order meets the requirements of this subsection;
 - (b) Restrains the ((person)) party from harassing, stalking, or threatening an intimate partner of the ((person)) party, the protected person, or child of the intimate partner, party, or protected person, or engaging in other conduct that would place an intimate partner or protected person in reasonable fear of bodily injury to the intimate partner, protected person, or child; and
 - (c)(i) Includes a finding that the ((person)) party represents a credible threat to the physical safety of the intimate partner, protected person, or child; and
 - (ii) By its terms, explicitly prohibits the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the intimate partner, protected person, or child that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury, the court shall:
- 35 (A) Require that the party immediately surrender all firearms and other dangerous weapons;
- 37 (B) Require that the party immediately surrender a concealed 38 pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070;
- 39 (C) Prohibit the party from accessing, ((obtaining, or)) having 40 in his or her custody or control, possessing, purchasing, receiving,

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or attempting to purchase or receive, any firearms or other dangerous weapons; and

- (D) Prohibit the party from obtaining or possessing a concealed pistol license.
- ((4)) (3) The court may order temporary surrender and prohibit the purchase of all firearms and other dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license, without notice to the other party if it finds, on the basis of the moving affidavit or other evidence, that irreparable injury could result if an order is not issued until the time for response has elapsed.
- $((\frac{(5)}{(2)_T}))$ (4) In addition to the provisions of subsections (1)(($\frac{(2)_T}{(2)_T}$)) and (($\frac{(4)}{(4)}$)) (3) of this section, the court may enter an order requiring a party to comply with the provisions in subsection (1) of this section if it finds that the possession of a firearm or other dangerous weapon by any party presents a serious and imminent threat to public health or safety, or to the health or safety of any individual.
- ((+6))) (5) The requirements of subsections (1) ((-7))) and ((+5))) (4) of this section may be for a period of time less than the duration of the order.
- (((17))) (6) The court ((may)) shall require the party to surrender all firearms and other dangerous weapons in his or her immediate possession or control or subject to his or her immediate possession or control, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070, to the local law enforcement agency. Law enforcement officers shall use law enforcement databases to assist in locating the ((respondent)) party in situations where the protected person does not know where the ((respondent)) party lives or where there is evidence that the ((respondent)) party is trying to evade service.
- ((+8)) (7) If the court enters a protection order, restraining order, or no-contact order that includes an order to surrender firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license under this section ((-100)):
 - (a) The order must be served by a law enforcement officer; and
- (b) Law enforcement must immediately ensure entry of the order to surrender and prohibit weapons and the revocation of any concealed pistol license is made into the appropriate databases making the party ineligible to possess firearms and a concealed pistol license.

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1 **Sec. 78.** RCW 9.41.801 and 2020 c 126 s 1 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

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- (1) Because of the heightened risk of lethality to petitioners when respondents to protection orders become aware of court involvement and continue to have access to firearms, and the frequency of noncompliance with court orders prohibiting possession of firearms, law enforcement and judicial processes must emphasize swift and certain compliance with court orders prohibiting access, possession, and ownership of <u>all</u> firearms.
- (2) A law enforcement officer serving a protection order, nocontact order, or restraining order that includes an order to surrender all firearms, dangerous weapons, and a concealed pistol license under RCW 9.41.800 shall inform the respondent that the order effective upon service and the respondent must immediately surrender all firearms and dangerous weapons in ((his or her)) the <u>respondent's</u> custody, control, or possession and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070, and conduct any search permitted by law for such firearms, dangerous weapons, and concealed pistol license. The law enforcement officer shall take possession of all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license belonging to the respondent that are surrendered, in plain sight, or discovered pursuant to a lawful search. The order must be personally served upon the respondent or defendant if the order is entered in open court in the presence of the respondent or defendant. The respondent or defendant shall acknowledge receipt and service. If the respondent or defendant refuses service, an agent of the court may indicate on the record that the respondent or defendant refused service. The court shall enter the service and receipt into the record. A copy of the order and service shall be transmitted immediately to law enforcement. The respondent must immediately surrender all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license in a safe manner to the control of the local law enforcement agency on the day of the hearing at which the respondent was present.
 - (3) At the time of surrender, a law enforcement officer taking possession of firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license shall issue a receipt identifying all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license that have been surrendered and provide a copy of the receipt to the respondent. The law enforcement agency shall file the original receipt with the court within ((twenty-four)) 24 hours after service of the order and retain

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1 a copy of the receipt, electronically whenever electronic filing is 2 available.

- (4) Upon the sworn statement or testimony of the petitioner or of any law enforcement officer alleging that the respondent has failed to comply with the surrender of firearms or dangerous weapons as required by an order issued under RCW 9.41.800, the court shall determine whether probable cause exists to believe that the respondent has failed to surrender all firearms and dangerous weapons in their possession, custody, or control. If probable cause exists that a crime occurred, the court shall issue a warrant describing the firearms or dangerous weapons and authorizing a search of the locations where the firearms and dangerous weapons are reasonably believed to be and the seizure of all firearms and dangerous weapons discovered pursuant to such search.
- (5) If a person other than the respondent claims title to any firearms or dangerous weapons surrendered pursuant to this section, and the person is determined by the law enforcement agency to be the lawful owner of the firearm or dangerous weapon, the firearm or dangerous weapon shall be returned to the lawful owner, provided that:
- (a) The firearm or dangerous weapon is removed from the respondent's access, custody, control, or possession and the lawful owner agrees by written document signed under penalty of perjury to store the firearm or dangerous weapon in a manner such that the respondent does not have access to or control of the firearm or dangerous weapon;
- (b) The firearm or dangerous weapon is not otherwise unlawfully possessed by the owner; and
 - (c) The requirements of RCW 9.41.345 are met.
- (6) Courts shall develop procedures to verify timely and complete compliance with orders to surrender weapons under RCW 9.41.800, including compliance review hearings to be held as soon as possible upon receipt from law enforcement of proof of service. A compliance review hearing is not required if the court can otherwise enter findings on the record or enter written findings that the proof of surrender or declaration of nonsurrender attested to by the person subject to the order, along with verification from law enforcement and any other relevant evidence, makes a sufficient showing that the person has timely and completely surrendered all firearms and dangerous weapons in ((their)) the person's custody, control, or

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possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070, to a law enforcement agency. If the court does not have a sufficient record before it on which to make such a finding, the court must set a review hearing to occur as soon as possible at which the respondent must be present and provide proof of compliance with the court's order. Courts shall make available forms that petitioners may complete and submit to the court in response to a respondent's declaration of whether the respondent has surrendered weapons.

- (7) (a) If a court finds at the compliance review hearing, or any other hearing where compliance with the order to surrender and prohibit weapons is addressed, that there is probable cause to believe the respondent was aware of and failed to fully comply with the order, failed to appear at the compliance review hearing, or violated the order after the court entered findings of compliance, pursuant to its authority under chapter 7.21 RCW, the court may initiate a contempt proceeding to impose remedial sanctions on its own motion, or upon the motion of the prosecutor, city attorney, or the petitioner's counsel, and issue an order requiring the respondent to appear, provide proof of compliance with the order, and show cause why the respondent should not be held in contempt of court.
- (b) If the respondent is not present in court at the compliance review hearing or if the court issues an order to appear and show cause after a compliance review hearing, the clerk of the court shall electronically transmit a copy of the order to show cause to the law enforcement agency where the respondent resides for personal service or service in the manner provided in the civil rules of superior court or applicable statute. Law enforcement shall also serve a copy of the order to show cause on the petitioner, either electronically or in person, at no cost.
- (c) The order to show cause served upon the respondent shall state the date, time, and location of the hearing and shall include a warning that the respondent may be held in contempt of court if the respondent fails to promptly comply with the terms of the order to surrender and prohibit weapons and a warning that an arrest warrant could be issued if the respondent fails to appear on the date and time provided in the order.
- (d)(i) At the show cause hearing, the respondent must be present and provide proof of compliance with the underlying court order to surrender <u>and prohibit</u> weapons and demonstrate why the relief requested should not be granted.

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(ii) The court shall take judicial notice of the receipt filed with the court by the law enforcement agency pursuant to subsection (3) of this section. The court shall also provide sufficient notice to the law enforcement agency of the hearing. Upon receiving notice pursuant to this subsection, a law enforcement agency must:

- (A) Provide the court with a complete list of firearms and other dangerous weapons surrendered by the respondent or otherwise belonging to the respondent that are in the possession of the law enforcement agency; and
- (B) Provide the court with verification that any concealed pistol license issued to the respondent has been surrendered and the agency with authority to revoke the license has been notified.
- (iii) If the law enforcement agency has a reasonable suspicion that the respondent is not in full compliance with the terms of the order, the law enforcement agency must submit the basis for its belief to the court, and may do so through the filing of ((an affidavit)) a declaration.
- (e) If the court finds the respondent in contempt, the court may impose remedial sanctions designed to ensure swift compliance with the order to surrender <u>and prohibit</u> weapons.
- (f) The court may order a respondent found in contempt of the order to surrender <u>and prohibit</u> weapons to pay for any losses incurred by a party in connection with the contempt proceeding, including reasonable attorneys' fees, service fees, and other costs. The costs of the proceeding shall not be borne by the petitioner.
- (8) (a) To help ensure that accurate and comprehensive information about firearms compliance is provided to judicial officers, a representative from either the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office, or both, from the relevant jurisdiction may appear and be heard at any hearing that concerns:
 - (i) Compliance with an extreme risk protection order; or
- (ii) Compliance with an order to surrender and prohibit weapons issued in connection with another type of protection order.
- (b) Either the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office, or both, from the relevant jurisdiction may designate an advocate or a staff person from their office who is not an attorney to appear on behalf of their office. Such appearance does not constitute the unauthorized practice of law.
- 39 <u>(9)(a) The court, on motion of the state or city, or on motion of</u> 40 the court if no representative from the prosecuting attorney's office

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or city attorney's office from the relevant jurisdiction is present, may order that a respondent or defendant shall not be excused from complying with, or testifying about complying with, an order to surrender and prohibit firearms under RCW 9.41.800 or any statute listed therein on the ground that the respondent's or defendant's testimony or compliance may tend to incriminate or subject the respondent or defendant to a penalty or forfeiture. However, no testimony or other information compelled under the order over an assertion of a privilege against self-incrimination, nor any information directly or indirectly derived from such testimony or information, may be used against the respondent or defendant in any criminal case, except a prosecution for perjury, giving a false statement, or otherwise failing to comply with an order to testify, or as provided in (b) of this subsection.

(b) A grant of immunity pursuant to this subsection pertains only to immunity from prosecution related to those firearms, dangerous weapons, or concealed pistol licenses that are timely surrendered to law enforcement in compliance with an order to surrender and prohibit firearms under RCW 9.41.800 or any statute listed therein. Such compelled surrender, or compelled testimony regarding surrender, may nevertheless be used as evidence in an investigation or prosecution related to the respondent or defendant having in his or her custody or control, accessing, possessing, purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, other firearms, dangerous weapons, or concealed pistol licenses unlawfully in violation of the order, to the extent such use is consistent with a grant of immunity pursuant to this subsection that is coextensive with the constitutional privilege against self-incrimination.

(10) All law enforcement agencies must have policies and procedures to provide for the acceptance, storage, and return of firearms, dangerous weapons, and concealed pistol licenses that a court requires must be surrendered under RCW 9.41.800. A law enforcement agency holding any firearm or concealed pistol license that has been surrendered under RCW 9.41.800 shall comply with the provisions of RCW 9.41.340 and 9.41.345 before the return of the firearm or concealed pistol license to the owner or individual from whom it was obtained.

((+9+)) (11) The administrative office of the courts shall create a statewide pattern form to assist the courts in ensuring timely and complete compliance in a consistent manner with orders issued under

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- 1 this chapter. The administrative office of the courts shall report
- 2 annually on the number of orders issued under this chapter by each
- 3 court, the degree of compliance, and the number of firearms obtained,
- 4 and may make recommendations regarding additional procedures to
- 5 enhance compliance and victim safety.

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- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 79.** A new section is added to chapter 9.41 7 RCW to read as follows:
- For the purpose of assisting courts in ensuring compliance with 8 an order to surrender and prohibit weapons or an extreme risk 9 10 protection order, the department of licensing, or the agency with responsibility for maintaining that information should it be an 11 agency other than the department of licensing, shall make the 12 13 following information available to prosecuting attorneys' offices, city attorneys' offices, public defender agency staff, probation 14 15 services personnel, and judicial officers and staff of municipal, 16 district, and superior courts for the following law enforcement 17 purposes:
- 18 (1) Determining whether a person is ineligible to possess 19 firearms;
- 20 (2) Determining a person's firearms purchase history; and
- 21 (3) Determining whether a person has or previously had a 22 concealed pistol license, or has applied for a concealed pistol 23 license.
- 24 **Sec. 80.** RCW 10.99.045 and 2010 c 274 s 301 are each amended to 25 read as follows:
 - (1) A defendant arrested for an offense involving domestic violence as defined by RCW 10.99.020 shall be required to appear in person before a magistrate within one judicial day after the arrest.
 - (2) A defendant who is charged by citation, complaint, or information with an offense involving domestic violence as defined by RCW 10.99.020 and not arrested shall appear in court for arraignment in person as soon as practicable, but in no event later than ((fourteen)) 14 days after the next day on which court is in session following the issuance of the citation or the filing of the complaint or information.
- 36 (3)(a) At the time of the appearances provided in subsection (1) 37 or (2) of this section, the court shall determine the necessity of 38 imposing a no-contact order or other conditions of pretrial release

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- according to the procedures established by court rule for a preliminary appearance or an arraignment. The court may include in the order any conditions authorized under RCW 9.41.800 and 10.99.040.
- (b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, the prosecutor shall provide for the court's review:
- 6 (i) The defendant's criminal history, if any, that occurred in 7 Washington or any other state;
- 8 (ii) If available, the defendant's criminal history that occurred 9 in any tribal jurisdiction; ((and))
 - (iii) The defendant's individual order history; and

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- 11 <u>(iv) The defendant's firearms purchase history, including any</u> 12 concealed pistol license history.
 - (c) For the purposes of (b) of this subsection, criminal history includes all previous convictions and orders of deferred prosecution, as reported through the judicial information system or otherwise available to the court or prosecutor, current to within the period specified in (d) of this subsection before the date of the appearance.
 - (d) The periods applicable to previous convictions and orders of deferred prosecution are:
 - (i) One working day, in the case of previous actions of courts that fully participate in the state judicial information system; and
 - (ii) Seven calendar days, in the case of previous actions of courts that do not fully participate in the judicial information system. For the purposes of this subsection, "fully participate" means regularly providing records to and receiving records from the system by electronic means on a daily basis.
- 28 (4) Appearances required pursuant to this section are mandatory 29 and cannot be waived.
- 30 (5) The no-contact order shall be issued and entered with the 31 ((appropriate)) law enforcement agency pursuant to the procedures 32 outlined in RCW 10.99.040 (2) and (6).
- 33 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 81.** Sections 1, 2, and 4 through 71 of this 34 act constitute a new chapter in Title 7 RCW.

35 PART XII

CANADIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTION ORDERS

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1 **Sec. 82.** RCW 26.55.010 and 2019 c 263 s 902 are each amended to read as follows:

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The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Canadian domestic violence protection order" means a judgment or part of a judgment or order issued in a civil proceeding by a court of Canada under law of the issuing jurisdiction which relates to domestic violence((-and prohibits a respondent from:
- 9 (a) Being in physical proximity to a protected individual or 10 following a protected individual;
- 11 (b) Directly or indirectly contacting or communicating with a 12 protected individual or other individual described in the order;
- 13 (c) Being within a certain distance of a specified place or location associated with a protected individual; or
- 15 (d) Molesting, annoying, harassing, or engaging in threatening 16 conduct directed at a protected individual)).
 - (2) "Domestic <u>violence</u> protection order" means an injunction or other order issued by a ((tribunal)) <u>court</u> which relates to domestic or family violence laws to prevent an individual from engaging in violent or threatening acts against, harassment of, direct or indirect contact or communication with, or being in physical proximity to another individual.
- 23 (3) "Issuing court" means the court that issues a Canadian domestic violence protection order.
 - (4) "Law enforcement officer" means an individual authorized by law of this state other than this chapter to enforce a domestic violence protection order.
 - (5) "Person" means an individual, estate, business or nonprofit entity, public corporation, government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or other legal entity.
- 31 (6) "Protected individual" means an individual protected by a 32 Canadian domestic violence protection order.
- 33 (7) "Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible 34 medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is 35 retrievable in perceivable form.
- 36 (8) "Respondent" means an individual against whom a Canadian 37 domestic violence protection order is issued.
- 38 (9) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of 39 Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any

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- territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States. The term includes a federally recognized Indian tribe.
- 3 (((10) "Tribunal" means a court, agency, or other entity
 4 authorized by law of this state other than this chapter to establish,
 5 enforce, or modify a domestic protection order.))

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- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 83.** A new section is added to chapter 26.55 7 RCW to read as follows:
- 8 (1) A Canadian domestic violence protection order that identifies 9 both a protected individual and a respondent and appears valid on its 10 face is prima facie evidence of its enforceability under this act.
- 11 (2) A Canadian domestic violence protection order is enforceable 12 only to the extent it prohibits a respondent from the following 13 conduct as ordered by a Canadian court:
- 14 (a) Being in physical proximity to a protected individual or following a protected individual;
- 16 (b) Directly or indirectly contacting or communicating with a protected individual or other individual described in the order;
 - (c) Being within a certain distance of a specified place or location associated with a protected individual; or
- 20 (d) Molesting, annoying, harassing, or engaging in threatening 21 conduct directed at a protected individual.
- 22 (3) Neither filing with the clerk of the court under RCW 26.55.040 nor obtaining an order granting recognition and enforcement 24 under RCW 26.55.030 is required prior to the enforcement of a 25 Canadian domestic violence protection order by a law enforcement officer.
- 27 **Sec. 84.** RCW 26.55.020 and 2019 c 263 s 903 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
- (1) If a law enforcement officer determines under subsection (2) 29 or (3) of this section that there is probable cause to believe a 30 ((valid)) Canadian domestic violence protection order exists and that 31 one or more of the provisions of the order ((has)) identified in 32 section 83 of this act have been violated, the officer shall enforce 33 34 the terms of the Canadian domestic violence protection order as if the terms were in an order ((of a tribunal. Presentation to a law 35 enforcement officer of a certified copy of a Canadian domestic 36 37 violence protection order is not required for enforcement)) issued in Washington state. 38

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- (2) Presentation to a law enforcement officer of a record of a Canadian domestic violence protection order that identifies both a protected individual and a respondent, and on its face is in effect, constitutes probable cause to believe that ((a valid)) an enforceable order exists.
- (3) If a record of a Canadian domestic violence protection order is not presented as provided in subsection (2) of this section, a law enforcement officer ((may consider)) is not prohibited from considering other relevant information in determining whether there is probable cause to believe that a ((valid)) Canadian domestic violence protection order exists.
- (4) If a law enforcement officer determines that ((an otherwise 12 valid)) a Canadian domestic violence protection order cannot be 13 enforced because the respondent has not been notified of or served 14 with the order, the officer shall notify the protected individual 15 16 that the officer will make reasonable efforts to contact the 17 respondent, consistent with the safety of the protected individual. 18 After notice to the protected individual and consistent with the 19 safety of the individual, the officer shall make a reasonable effort to inform the respondent of the order, notify the respondent of the 20 21 terms of the order, provide a record of the order, if available, to 22 the respondent, and allow the respondent a reasonable opportunity to 23 comply with the order before the officer enforces the order.
- 24 (5) If a law enforcement officer determines that an individual is 25 a protected individual, the officer shall inform the individual of 26 available local victim services.
- 27 **Sec. 85.** RCW 26.55.030 and 2019 c 263 s 904 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
 - (1) A ((tribunal)) court may issue an order ((enforcing or refusing to enforce)) granting recognition and enforcement or denying recognition and enforcement of a Canadian domestic violence protection order on ((application)) petition of:
 - (a) A protected individual;
- 34 <u>(b)</u> A person authorized by law of this state other than this 35 chapter to seek enforcement of a domestic <u>violence</u> protection order; 36 or
- $((\frac{b}{b}))$ (c) A respondent.

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38 (2) ((In a proceeding under subsection (1) of this section, the 39 tribunal shall follow the procedures of this state for enforcement of

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- 1 a domestic protection order. An order entered under this section is limited to the enforcement of the terms of the Canadian domestic 2 violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010.)) A petitioner 3 is not required to post a bond to obtain relief in any proceeding 4 under this section. No fees for any type of filing or service of 5 6 process may be charged by a court or any public agency to petitioners 7 seeking relief under this chapter. Courts may not charge petitioners any fees or surcharges the payment of which is a condition precedent 8 to the petitioner's ability to secure access to relief under this 9 chapter. Petitioners shall be provided the necessary number of 10 certified copies, forms, and instructional brochures free of charge. 11 12 A respondent who is served electronically with a protection order shall be provided a certified copy of the order free of charge upon 13 14 request.
 - (3) Upon receipt of the petition, the court shall order a hearing, which shall be held not later than 14 days from the date of the order. Service shall be provided as required in sections 10 and 18 through 21 of this act.
- 19 (4) The hearing shall be conducted as required by sections 24 and 25 of this act.
 - (5) Interpreters must be appointed as required in section 33 of this act. An interpreter shall translate or interpret for the party in preparing forms, participating in the hearing and court-ordered assessments, and translating any orders.
 - (((3))) <u>(6)</u> A Canadian domestic violence protection order is enforceable under this section if:
 - (a) The order identifies a protected individual and a respondent;
 - (b) The order is valid and in effect;
- 29 (c) The issuing court had jurisdiction over the parties and the 30 subject matter under law applicable in the issuing court; and
 - (d) The order was issued after:

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- The respondent was given reasonable notice and had an opportunity to be heard before the court issued the order; or
- (ii) In the case of an ex parte temporary protection order, the respondent was given reasonable notice and had or will have an opportunity to be heard within a reasonable time after the order was issued, in a manner consistent with the right of the respondent to due process.

p. 121 HB 1320 ((4) A Canadian domestic violence protection order valid on its face is prima facie evidence of its enforceability under this section.

- (5)) (7) A claim that a Canadian domestic violence protection order does not comply with subsection (((3))) (6) of this section is an affirmative defense in a proceeding seeking enforcement of the order. If the ((tribunal)) court determines that the order is not enforceable, the ((tribunal)) court shall issue an order that the Canadian domestic violence protection order is not enforceable under this section and RCW 26.55.020 and may not be ((registered)) filed under RCW 26.55.040.
- **Sec. 86.** RCW 26.55.040 and 2019 c 263 s 905 are each amended to 13 read as follows:
 - (1) A person entitled to protection who has a ((valid)) Canadian domestic violence protection order may file that order by presenting a certified, authenticated, or exemplified copy of the Canadian domestic violence protection order to a clerk of the court of a Washington court ((in which the person entitled to protection resides or to a clerk of the court of a Washington court where the person entitled to protection believes enforcement may be necessary)) according to section 9 of this act. Any out-of-state department, agency, or court responsible for maintaining protection order records, may by facsimile or electronic transmission send a reproduction of the foreign protection order to the clerk of the court of Washington as long as it contains a facsimile or digital signature by any person authorized to make such transmission.
 - (2) An individual filing a Canadian domestic violence protection order under this section shall also file a declaration signed under penalty of perjury stating that, to the best of the individual's knowledge, the order is valid and in effect.
 - (3) On receipt of a certified, authenticated, or exemplified copy of a Canadian domestic violence protection order and declaration signed under penalty of perjury stating that, to the best of the individual's knowledge, the order is valid and in effect, the clerk of the court shall ((register)) file the order in accordance with this section.

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- (4) After a Canadian domestic violence protection order is ((registered)) filed under this section, the clerk of the court shall provide the individual ((registering)) filing the order a certified copy of the ((registered)) filed order.
- (5) ((A Canadian domestic violence protection order registered under this section may be entered in a state or federal registry of protection orders in accordance with law.
- (6) An inaccurate, expired, or unenforceable Canadian domestic violence protection order may be corrected or removed from the registry of protection orders maintained in this state in accordance with law of this state other than this chapter.
- 14 (7)) A fee may not be charged for the ((registration)) filing of a Canadian domestic violence protection order under this section.
- 16 (((8) Registration in this state or filing under law of this 17 state other than this chapter of a Canadian domestic violence 18 protection order is not required for its enforcement under this 19 chapter.))
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 87. A new section is added to chapter 26.55 21 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) A copy of a Canadian domestic violence protection order filed with the clerk, an order granting recognition and enforcement, or an order denying recognition and enforcement under this chapter, shall be forwarded by the clerk of the court on or before the next judicial day to the law enforcement agency specified in the order. An order granting or denying recognition and enforcement shall be accompanied by a copy of the related Canadian domestic violence protection order.
- 29 (2) Upon receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall 30 comply with the requirements of section 42 of this act.
- 31 **Sec. 88.** RCW 26.55.050 and 2019 c 263 s 906 are each amended to read as follows:
 - The state, state agency, local governmental agency, law enforcement officer, prosecuting attorney, clerk of court, and state or local governmental official acting in an official capacity are immune from civil and criminal liability for an act or omission arising out of the ((registration)) filing or recognition and enforcement of a Canadian domestic violence protection order or the

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- 1 detention or arrest of an alleged violator of a Canadian domestic
- 2 violence protection order if the act or omission was a good faith
- 3 effort to comply with this chapter.

4 PART XIII

5 EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE

- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 89.** Sections 72, 73, and 74 of this act take 7 effect January 1, 2022.
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 90.** Sections 2, 28, and 63 of this act expire 9 January 1, 2022.
- 10 PART XIV

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11 CONFORMING AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS

- 12 **Sec. 91.** RCW 2.28.210 and 2016 c 89 s 1 are each amended to read 13 as follows:
- (1) Before granting an order under any of the following titles of the laws of the state of Washington, the court may consult the judicial information system or any related databases, if available, to determine criminal history or the pendency of other proceedings involving the parties:
- 19 (a) Granting any temporary or final order establishing a 20 parenting plan or residential schedule or directing residential 21 placement of a child or restraining or limiting a party's contact 22 with a child under Title 26 RCW;
 - (b) Granting any order regarding a vulnerable child or adult or alleged incapacitated person irrespective of the title or where contained in the laws of the state of Washington;
- 26 (c) Granting letters of guardianship or administration or letters 27 testamentary under Title 11 RCW;
 - (d) Granting any relief under Title 71 RCW;
- 29 (e) Granting any relief in a juvenile proceeding under Title 13 30 RCW; or
- 31 (f) Granting any order of protection, temporary order of 32 protection, or criminal no-contact order under chapter ((7.90_7)) 33 (7.92_7)) (1.---) (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act),

34 9A.46, $((\frac{10.14_{r}}{10.14_{r}}))$ 10.99, $((\frac{26.50_{r}}{10.90_{r}}))$ or 26.52 RCW.

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(2) In the event that the court consults such a database, the court shall disclose that fact to the parties and shall disclose any particular matters relied upon by the court in rendering the decision. Upon request of a party, a copy of the document relied upon must be filed, as a confidential document, within the court file, with any confidential contact information such as addresses, phone numbers, or other information that might disclose the location or whereabouts of any person redacted from the document or documents.

Sec. 92. RCW 4.08.050 and 1996 c 134 s 7 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

Except as provided under RCW ((26.50.020 and)) 28A.225.035 and section 14 of this act, when an infant is a party he or she shall appear by guardian, or if he or she has no guardian, or in the opinion of the court the guardian is an improper person, the court shall appoint one to act. Said guardian shall be appointed as follows:

- (1) When the infant is plaintiff, upon the application of the infant, if he or she be of the age of fourteen years, or if under that age, upon the application of a relative or friend of the infant.
- (2) When the infant is defendant, upon the application of the infant, if he or she be of the age of fourteen years, and applies within thirty days after the service of the summons; if he or she be under the age of fourteen, or neglects to apply, then upon the application of any other party to the action, or of a relative or friend of the infant.
- **Sec. 93.** RCW 4.24.130 and 1998 c 220 s 5 are each amended to 27 read as follows:
 - (1) Any person desiring a change of his or her name or that of his or her child or ward, may apply therefor to the district court of the judicial district in which he or she resides, by petition setting forth the reasons for such change; thereupon such court in its discretion may order a change of the name and thenceforth the new name shall be in place of the former.
 - (2) An offender under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections who applies to change his or her name under subsection (1) of this section shall submit a copy of the application to the department of corrections not fewer than five days before the entry of an order granting the name change. No offender under the

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- jurisdiction of the department of corrections at the time of 1 application shall be granted an order changing his or her name if the 2 court finds that doing so will interfere with legitimate penological 3 interests, except that no order shall be denied when the name change 4 is requested for religious or legitimate cultural reasons or in 5 6 recognition of marriage or dissolution of marriage. An offender under 7 the jurisdiction of the department of corrections who receives an order changing his or her name shall submit a copy of the order to 8 the department of corrections within five days of the entry of the 9 order. Violation of this subsection is a misdemeanor. 10
- 11 (3) A sex offender subject to registration under RCW 9A.44.130 12 who applies to change his or her name under subsection (1) of this 13 section shall follow the procedures set forth in RCW 9A.44.130(((6))) 14 (7).

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- (4) The district court shall collect the fees authorized by RCW 36.18.010 for filing and recording a name change order, and transmit the fee and the order to the county auditor. The court may collect a reasonable fee to cover the cost of transmitting the order to the county auditor.
 - (5) Name change petitions may be filed and shall be heard in superior court when the person desiring a change of his or her name or that of his or her child or ward is a victim of domestic violence as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010(1))) section 2 of this act and the person seeks to have the name change file sealed due to reasonable fear for his or her safety or that of his or her child or ward. Upon granting the name change, the superior court shall seal the file if the court finds that the safety of the person seeking the name change or his or her child or ward warrants sealing the file. In all cases filed under this subsection, whether or not the name change petition is granted, there shall be no public access to any court record of the name change filing, proceeding, or order, unless the name change is granted but the file is not sealed.
- 33 **Sec. 94.** RCW 7.77.060 and 2020 c 29 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- During a collaborative law process, a tribunal may issue emergency orders to protect the health, safety, welfare, or interest of a party or of a family or household member or intimate partner, as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act.

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Sec. 95. RCW 7.77.080 and 2020 c 29 s 2 are each amended to read 2 as follows:

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, a collaborative lawyer is disqualified from appearing before a tribunal to represent a party in a proceeding related to the collaborative matter.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section and RCW 7.77.090, a lawyer in a law firm with which the collaborative lawyer is associated is disqualified from appearing before a tribunal to represent a party in a proceeding related to the collaborative matter if the collaborative lawyer is disqualified from doing so under subsection (1) of this section.
- 13 (3) A collaborative lawyer or a lawyer in a law firm with which 14 the collaborative lawyer is associated may represent a party:
- 15 (a) To ask a tribunal to approve an agreement resulting from the collaborative law process; or
 - (b) To seek or defend an emergency order to protect the health, safety, welfare, or interest of a party, or family or household member or intimate partner, as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act, if a successor lawyer is not immediately available to represent that person.
 - (4) If subsection (3) (b) of this section applies, a collaborative lawyer, or lawyer in a law firm with which the collaborative lawyer is associated, may represent a party or family or household member or intimate partner only until the person is represented by a successor lawyer or reasonable measures are taken to protect the health, safety, welfare, or interest of the person.
- **Sec. 96.** RCW 9.41.010 and 2020 c 29 s 3 are each amended to read 29 as follows:
- 30 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 31 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- (1) "Antique firearm" means a firearm or replica of a firearm not designed or redesigned for using rim fire or conventional center fire ignition with fixed ammunition and manufactured in or before 1898, including any matchlock, flintlock, percussion cap, or similar type of ignition system and also any firearm using fixed ammunition manufactured in or before 1898, for which ammunition is no longer manufactured in the United States and is not readily available in the ordinary channels of commercial trade.

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- (2) "Barrel length" means the distance from the bolt face of a closed action down the length of the axis of the bore to the crown of the muzzle, or in the case of a barrel with attachments to the end of any legal device permanently attached to the end of the muzzle.
- (3) "Bump-fire stock" means a butt stock designed to be attached to a semiautomatic firearm with the effect of increasing the rate of fire achievable with the semiautomatic firearm to that of a fully automatic firearm by using the energy from the recoil of the firearm to generate reciprocating action that facilitates repeated activation of the trigger.
 - (4) "Crime of violence" means:

- (a) Any of the following felonies, as now existing or hereafter amended: Any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or an attempt to commit a class A felony, criminal solicitation of or criminal conspiracy to commit a class A felony, manslaughter in the first degree, manslaughter in the second degree, indecent liberties if committed by forcible compulsion, kidnapping in the second degree, arson in the second degree, assault in the second degree, assault of a child in the second degree, extortion in the first degree, burglary in the second degree, residential burglary, and robbery in the second degree;
- (b) Any conviction for a felony offense in effect at any time prior to June 6, 1996, which is comparable to a felony classified as a crime of violence in (a) of this subsection; and
- (c) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense comparable to a felony classified as a crime of violence under (a) or (b) of this subsection.
- 28 (5) "Curio or relic" has the same meaning as provided in 27 29 C.F.R. Sec. 478.11.
 - (6) "Dealer" means a person engaged in the business of selling firearms at wholesale or retail who has, or is required to have, a federal firearms license under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(a). A person who does not have, and is not required to have, a federal firearms license under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(a), is not a dealer if that person makes only occasional sales, exchanges, or purchases of firearms for the enhancement of a personal collection or for a hobby, or sells all or part of his or her personal collection of firearms.
- 38 (7) "Family or household member" has the same meaning as in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act.

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- 1 (8) "Felony" means any felony offense under the laws of this 2 state or any federal or out-of-state offense comparable to a felony 3 offense under the laws of this state.
 - (9) "Felony firearm offender" means a person who has previously been convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state of any felony firearm offense. A person is not a felony firearm offender under this chapter if any and all qualifying offenses have been the subject of an expungement, pardon, annulment, certificate, or rehabilitation, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of the rehabilitation of the person convicted or a pardon, annulment, or other equivalent procedure based on a finding of innocence.
 - (10) "Felony firearm offense" means:
 - (a) Any felony offense that is a violation of this chapter;
- 14 (b) A violation of RCW 9A.36.045;

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- (c) A violation of RCW 9A.56.300;
 - (d) A violation of RCW 9A.56.310;
- 17 (e) Any felony offense if the offender was armed with a firearm 18 in the commission of the offense.
 - (11) "Firearm" means a weapon or device from which a projectile or projectiles may be fired by an explosive such as gunpowder. "Firearm" does not include a flare gun or other pyrotechnic visual distress signaling device, or a powder-actuated tool or other device designed solely to be used for construction purposes.
 - (12) "Gun" has the same meaning as firearm.
 - (13) "Intimate partner" has the same meaning as provided in (($\frac{RCW}{26.50.010}$)) section 2 of this act.
- 27 (14) "Law enforcement officer" includes a general authority
 28 Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020, or a specially
 29 commissioned Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020.
 30 "Law enforcement officer" also includes a limited authority
 31 Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020 if such officer
 32 is duly authorized by his or her employer to carry a concealed
 33 pistol.
- 34 (15) "Lawful permanent resident" has the same meaning afforded a 35 person "lawfully admitted for permanent residence" in 8 U.S.C. Sec. 36 1101(a)(20).
- 37 (16) "Licensed collector" means a person who is federally 38 licensed under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(b).
- 39 (17) "Licensed dealer" means a person who is federally licensed 40 under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(a).

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- (a) There is a cartridge in the chamber of the firearm;
- 3 (b) Cartridges are in a clip that is locked in place in the 4 firearm;
- 5 (c) There is a cartridge in the cylinder of the firearm, if the 6 firearm is a revolver;
- 7 (d) There is a cartridge in the tube or magazine that is inserted 8 in the action; or
- 9 (e) There is a ball in the barrel and the firearm is capped or 10 primed if the firearm is a muzzle loader.
- 11 (19) "Machine gun" means any firearm known as a machine gun,
 12 mechanical rifle, submachine gun, or any other mechanism or
 13 instrument not requiring that the trigger be pressed for each shot
 14 and having a reservoir clip, disc, drum, belt, or other separable
 15 mechanical device for storing, carrying, or supplying ammunition
 16 which can be loaded into the firearm, mechanism, or instrument, and
 17 fired therefrom at the rate of five or more shots per second.
- 18 (20) "Manufacture" means, with respect to a firearm, the 19 fabrication or construction of a firearm.
- 20 (21) "Nonimmigrant alien" means a person defined as such in 8 21 U.S.C. Sec. 1101(a)(15).
- 22 (22) "Person" means any individual, corporation, company, 23 association, firm, partnership, club, organization, society, joint 24 stock company, or other legal entity.
 - (23) "Pistol" means any firearm with a barrel less than sixteen inches in length, or is designed to be held and fired by the use of a single hand.
 - (24) "Rifle" means a weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed metallic cartridge to fire only a single projectile through a rifled bore for each single pull of the trigger.
- 33 (25) "Sale" and "sell" mean the actual approval of the delivery 34 of a firearm in consideration of payment or promise of payment.
 - (26) "Secure gun storage" means:
- 36 (a) A locked box, gun safe, or other secure locked storage space 37 that is designed to prevent unauthorized use or discharge of a 38 firearm; and
 - (b) The act of keeping an unloaded firearm stored by such means.

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(27) "Semiautomatic assault rifle" means any rifle which utilizes a portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fired cartridge case and chamber the next round, and which requires a separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge.

"Semiautomatic assault rifle" does not include antique firearms, any firearm that has been made permanently inoperable, or any firearm that is manually operated by bolt, pump, lever, or slide action.

- (28) "Serious offense" means any of the following felonies or a felony attempt to commit any of the following felonies, as now existing or hereafter amended:
 - (a) Any crime of violence;
- 12 (b) Any felony violation of the uniform controlled substances 13 act, chapter 69.50 RCW, that is classified as a class B felony or 14 that has a maximum term of imprisonment of at least ten years;
 - (c) Child molestation in the second degree;
 - (d) Incest when committed against a child under age fourteen;
 - (e) Indecent liberties;
- 18 (f) Leading organized crime;
- 19 (g) Promoting prostitution in the first degree;
- 20 (h) Rape in the third degree;
- 21 (i) Drive-by shooting;

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- 22 (j) Sexual exploitation;
- (k) Vehicular assault, when caused by the operation or driving of a vehicle by a person while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug or by the operation or driving of a vehicle in a reckless manner;
 - (1) Vehicular homicide, when proximately caused by the driving of any vehicle by any person while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug as defined by RCW 46.61.502, or by the operation of any vehicle in a reckless manner;
- 31 (m) Any other class B felony offense with a finding of sexual 32 motivation, as "sexual motivation" is defined under RCW 9.94A.030;
- 33 (n) Any other felony with a deadly weapon verdict under RCW 9.94A.825;
- 35 (o) Any felony offense in effect at any time prior to June 6, 36 1996, that is comparable to a serious offense, or any federal or out-37 of-state conviction for an offense that under the laws of this state 38 would be a felony classified as a serious offense; or
 - (p) Any felony conviction under RCW 9.41.115.

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1 (29) "Short-barreled rifle" means a rifle having one or more 2 barrels less than sixteen inches in length and any weapon made from a 3 rifle by any means of modification if such modified weapon has an 4 overall length of less than twenty-six inches.

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- (30) "Short-barreled shotgun" means a shotgun having one or more barrels less than eighteen inches in length and any weapon made from a shotgun by any means of modification if such modified weapon has an overall length of less than twenty-six inches.
- (31) "Shotgun" means a weapon with one or more barrels, designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to use the energy of the explosive in a fixed shotgun shell to fire through a smooth bore either a number of ball shot or a single projectile for each single pull of the trigger.
- (32) "Transfer" means the intended delivery of a firearm to another person without consideration of payment or promise of payment including, but not limited to, gifts and loans. "Transfer" does not include the delivery of a firearm owned or leased by an entity licensed or qualified to do business in the state of Washington to, or return of such a firearm by, any of that entity's employees or agents, defined to include volunteers participating in an honor guard, for lawful purposes in the ordinary course of business.
- (33) "Undetectable firearm" means any firearm that is not as detectable as 3.7 ounces of 17-4 PH stainless steel by walk-through metal detectors or magnetometers commonly used at airports or any firearm where the barrel, the slide or cylinder, or the frame or receiver of the firearm would not generate an image that accurately depicts the shape of the part when examined by the types of X-ray machines commonly used at airports.
- 30 (34) "Unlicensed person" means any person who is not a licensed 31 dealer under this chapter.
- 32 (35) "Untraceable firearm" means any firearm manufactured after 33 July 1, 2019, that is not an antique firearm and that cannot be 34 traced by law enforcement by means of a serial number affixed to the 35 firearm by a federally licensed manufacturer or importer.
- 36 **Sec. 97.** RCW 9.41.042 and 2020 c 18 s 6 are each amended to read 37 as follows:
- 38 RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(((vi))) (vii) shall not apply to any person under the age of eighteen years who is:

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1 (1) In attendance at a hunter's safety course or a firearms 2 safety course;

- (2) Engaging in practice in the use of a firearm or target shooting at an established range authorized by the governing body of the jurisdiction in which such range is located or any other area where the discharge of a firearm is not prohibited;
- (3) Engaging in an organized competition involving the use of a firearm, or participating in or practicing for a performance by an organized group that uses firearms as a part of the performance;
- (4) Hunting or trapping under a valid license issued to the person under Title 77 RCW;
- (5) In an area where the discharge of a firearm is permitted, is not trespassing, and the person either: (a) Is at least fourteen years of age, has been issued a hunter safety certificate, and is using a lawful firearm other than a pistol; or (b) is under the supervision of a parent, guardian, or other adult approved for the purpose by the parent or guardian;
- (6) Traveling with any unloaded firearm in the person's possession to or from any activity described in subsection (1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) of this section;
- (7) On real property under the control of his or her parent, other relative, or legal guardian and who has the permission of the parent or legal guardian to possess a firearm;
- (8) At his or her residence and who, with the permission of his or her parent or legal guardian, possesses a firearm for the purpose of exercising the rights specified in RCW 9A.16.020(3); or
- 27 (9) Is a member of the armed forces of the United States, 28 national guard, or organized reserves, when on duty.
- **Sec. 98.** RCW 9.41.070 and 2020 c 148 s 2 are each amended to 30 read as follows:
 - (1) The chief of police of a municipality or the sheriff of a county shall within thirty days after the filing of an application of any person, issue a license to such person to carry a pistol concealed on his or her person within this state for five years from date of issue, for the purposes of protection or while engaged in business, sport, or while traveling. However, if the applicant does not have a valid permanent Washington driver's license or Washington state identification card or has not been a resident of the state for the previous consecutive ninety days, the issuing authority shall

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- 1 have up to sixty days after the filing of the application to issue a
- 2 license. The issuing authority shall not refuse to accept completed
- 3 applications for concealed pistol licenses during regular business
 4 hours.
- 5 The applicant's constitutional right to bear arms shall not be 6 denied, unless:
- 7 (a) He or she is ineligible to possess a firearm under the 8 provisions of RCW 9.41.040 or 9.41.045, or is prohibited from 9 possessing a firearm under federal law;
- 10 (b) The applicant's concealed pistol license is in a revoked 11 status;
- 12 (c) He or she is under twenty-one years of age;

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- (d) He or she is subject to a court order or injunction regarding firearms pursuant to chapter ((7.90, 7.92, or 7.94)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), or RCW 9A.46.080, 10.14.080, 10.99.040, 10.99.045, 26.09.050, 26.09.060, 26.10.040, 26.10.115, 26.26B.020, 26.50.060, 26.50.070, or 26.26A.470;
- 18 (e) He or she is free on bond or personal recognizance pending 19 trial, appeal, or sentencing for a felony offense;
- 20 (f) He or she has an outstanding warrant for his or her arrest 21 from any court of competent jurisdiction for a felony or misdemeanor; 22 or
- 23 (g) He or she has been ordered to forfeit a firearm under RCW 9.41.098(1)(e) within one year before filing an application to carry 25 a pistol concealed on his or her person.
 - No person convicted of a felony may have his or her right to possess firearms restored or his or her privilege to carry a concealed pistol restored, unless the person has been granted relief from disabilities by the attorney general under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 925(c), or RCW 9.41.040 (3) or (4) applies.
 - (2) (a) The issuing authority shall conduct a check through the national instant criminal background check system, the Washington state patrol electronic database, the health care authority electronic database, and with other agencies or resources as appropriate, to determine whether the applicant is ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 or 9.41.045 to possess a firearm, or is prohibited from possessing a firearm under federal law, and therefore ineligible for a concealed pistol license.

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(b) The issuing authority shall deny a permit to anyone who is found to be prohibited from possessing a firearm under federal or state law.

- (c) (a) and (b) of this subsection apply whether the applicant is applying for a new concealed pistol license or to renew a concealed pistol license.
- (d) A background check for an original license must be conducted through the Washington state patrol criminal identification section and shall include a national check from the federal bureau of investigation through the submission of fingerprints. The results will be returned to the issuing authority. The applicant may request and receive a copy of the results of the background check from the issuing authority. If the applicant seeks to amend or correct their record, the applicant must contact the Washington state patrol for a Washington state record or the federal bureau of investigation for records from other jurisdictions.
- (3) Any person whose firearms rights have been restricted and who has been granted relief from disabilities by the attorney general under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 925(c) or who is exempt under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 921(a)(20)(A) shall have his or her right to acquire, receive, transfer, ship, transport, carry, and possess firearms in accordance with Washington state law restored except as otherwise prohibited by this chapter.
- (4) The license application shall bear the full name, residential address, telephone number at the option of the applicant, email address at the option of the applicant, date and place of birth, race, gender, description, a complete set of fingerprints, and signature of the licensee, and the licensee's driver's license number or state identification card number if used for identification in applying for the license. A signed application for a concealed pistol license shall constitute a waiver of confidentiality and written request that the health care authority, mental health institutions, and other health care facilities release information relevant to the applicant's eligibility for a concealed pistol license to an inquiring court or law enforcement agency.

The application for an original license shall include a complete set of fingerprints to be forwarded to the Washington state patrol.

The license and application shall contain a warning substantially as follows:

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CAUTION: Although state and local laws do not differ, federal law and state law on the possession of firearms differ. If you are prohibited by federal law from possessing a firearm, you may be prosecuted in federal court. A state license is not a defense to a federal prosecution.

The license shall contain a description of the major differences between state and federal law and an explanation of the fact that local laws and ordinances on firearms are preempted by state law and must be consistent with state law.

The application shall contain questions about the applicant's eligibility under RCW 9.41.040 and federal law to possess a pistol, the applicant's place of birth, and whether the applicant is a United States citizen. If the applicant is not a United States citizen, the applicant must provide the applicant's country of citizenship, United States issued alien number or admission number, and the basis on which the applicant claims to be exempt from federal prohibitions on firearm possession by aliens. The applicant shall not be required to produce a birth certificate or other evidence of citizenship. A person who is not a citizen of the United States shall, if applicable, meet the additional requirements of RCW 9.41.173 and produce proof of compliance with RCW 9.41.173 upon application. The license may be in triplicate or in a form to be prescribed by the department of licensing.

A photograph of the applicant may be required as part of the application and printed on the face of the license.

The original thereof shall be delivered to the licensee, the duplicate shall within seven days be sent to the director of licensing and the triplicate shall be preserved for six years, by the authority issuing the license.

The department of licensing shall make available to law enforcement and corrections agencies, in an online format, all information received under this subsection.

(5) The nonrefundable fee, paid upon application, for the original five-year license shall be thirty-six dollars plus additional charges imposed by the federal bureau of investigation that are passed on to the applicant. No other state or local branch or unit of government may impose any additional charges on the applicant for the issuance of the license.

The fee shall be distributed as follows:

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- 1 (a) Fifteen dollars shall be paid to the state general fund;
- 2 (b) Four dollars shall be paid to the agency taking the 3 fingerprints of the person licensed;
- 4 (c) Fourteen dollars shall be paid to the issuing authority for the purpose of enforcing this chapter;
- 6 (d) Two dollars and sixteen cents to the firearms range account 7 in the general fund; and
- 8 (e) Eighty-four cents to the concealed pistol license renewal 9 notification account created in RCW 43.79.540.
- 10 (6) The nonrefundable fee for the renewal of such license shall 11 be thirty-two dollars. No other branch or unit of government may 12 impose any additional charges on the applicant for the renewal of the 13 license.

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- (a) Fifteen dollars shall be paid to the state general fund;
- 16 (b) Fourteen dollars shall be paid to the issuing authority for 17 the purpose of enforcing this chapter;
 - (c) Two dollars and sixteen cents to the firearms range account in the general fund; and
 - (d) Eighty-four cents to the concealed pistol license renewal notification account created in RCW 43.79.540.
 - (7) The nonrefundable fee for replacement of lost or damaged licenses is ten dollars to be paid to the issuing authority.
 - (8) Payment shall be by cash, check, or money order at the option of the applicant. Additional methods of payment may be allowed at the option of the issuing authority.
 - (9) (a) A licensee may renew a license if the licensee applies for renewal within ninety days before or after the expiration date of the license. A license so renewed shall take effect on the expiration date of the prior license. A licensee renewing after the expiration date of the license must pay a late renewal penalty of ten dollars in addition to the renewal fee specified in subsection (6) of this section. The fee shall be distributed as follows:
 - (i) Three dollars shall be deposited in the limited fish and wildlife account and used exclusively first for the printing and distribution of a pamphlet on the legal limits of the use of firearms, firearms safety, and the preemptive nature of state law, and subsequently the support of volunteer instructors in the basic firearms safety training program conducted by the department of fish

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and wildlife. The pamphlet shall be given to each applicant for a license; and

- (ii) Seven dollars shall be paid to the issuing authority for the purpose of enforcing this chapter.
- (b) Beginning with concealed pistol licenses that expire on or after August 1, 2018, the department of licensing shall mail a renewal notice approximately ninety days before the license expiration date to the licensee at the address listed on the concealed pistol license application, or to the licensee's new address if the licensee has notified the department of licensing of a change of address. Alternatively, if the licensee provides an email address at the time of license application, the department of licensing may send the renewal notice to the licensee's email address. The notice must contain the date the concealed pistol license will expire, the amount of renewal fee, the penalty for late renewal, and instructions on how to renew the license.
- (10) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsections (1) through (9) of this section, the chief of police of the municipality or the sheriff of the county of the applicant's residence may issue a temporary emergency license for good cause pending review under subsection (1) of this section. However, a temporary emergency license issued under this subsection shall not exempt the holder of the license from any records check requirement. Temporary emergency licenses shall be easily distinguishable from regular licenses.
- (11) A political subdivision of the state shall not modify the requirements of this section or chapter, nor may a political subdivision ask the applicant to voluntarily submit any information not required by this section.
- (12) A person who knowingly makes a false statement regarding citizenship or identity on an application for a concealed pistol license is guilty of false swearing under RCW 9A.72.040. In addition to any other penalty provided for by law, the concealed pistol license of a person who knowingly makes a false statement shall be revoked, and the person shall be permanently ineligible for a concealed pistol license.
 - (13) A person may apply for a concealed pistol license:
- 37 (a) To the municipality or to the county in which the applicant 38 resides if the applicant resides in a municipality;
- 39 (b) To the county in which the applicant resides if the applicant 40 resides in an unincorporated area; or

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(c) Anywhere in the state if the applicant is a nonresident.

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- (14) Any person who, as a member of the armed forces, including 2 the national guard and armed forces reserves, is unable to renew his 3 or her license under subsections (6) and (9) of this section because 4 of the person's assignment, reassignment, or deployment for out-of-5 6 state military service may renew his or her license within ninety days after the person returns to this state from out-of-state 7 military service, if the person provides the following to the issuing 8 authority no later than ninety days after the person's date of 9 discharge or assignment, reassignment, or deployment back to this 10 11 state: (a) A copy of the person's original order designating the 12 specific period of assignment, reassignment, or deployment for outof-state military service, and (b) if appropriate, a copy of the 13 person's discharge or amended or subsequent assignment, reassignment, 14 or deployment order back to this state. A license so renewed under 15 this subsection (14) shall take effect on the expiration date of the 16 17 prior license. A licensee renewing after the expiration date of the license under this subsection (14) shall pay only the renewal fee 18 specified in subsection (6) of this section and shall not be required 19 to pay a late renewal penalty in addition to the renewal fee. 20
 - (15) (a) By October 1, 2019, law enforcement agencies that issue concealed pistol licenses shall develop and implement a procedure for the renewal of concealed pistol licenses through a mail application process, and may develop an online renewal application process, for any person who, as a member of the armed forces, including the national guard and armed forces reserves, is unable to renew his or her license under subsections (6) and (9) of this section because of the person's assignment, reassignment, or deployment for out-of-state military service.
- 30 (b) A person applying for a license renewal under this subsection 31 shall:
- 32 (i) Provide a copy of the person's original order designating the 33 specific period of assignment, reassignment, or deployment for out-34 of-state military service;
- 35 (ii) Apply for renewal within ninety days before or after the 36 expiration date of the license; and
- (iii) Pay the renewal licensing fee under subsection (6) of this section, and, if applicable, the late renewal penalty under subsection (9) of this section.

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- 1 (c) A license renewed under this subsection takes effect on the 2 expiration date of the prior license and is valid for a period of one 3 year.
- 4 **Sec. 99.** RCW 9.41.173 and 2019 c 46 s 5005 are each amended to read as follows:

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- (1) In order to obtain an alien firearm license, a nonimmigrant alien residing in Washington must apply to the sheriff of the county in which he or she resides.
- (2) The sheriff of the county shall within sixty days after the filing of an application of a nonimmigrant alien residing in the state of Washington, issue an alien firearm license to such person to carry or possess a firearm for the purposes of hunting and sport shooting. The license shall be good for two years. The issuing authority shall not refuse to accept completed applications for alien firearm licenses during regular business hours. An application for a license may not be denied, unless the applicant's alien firearm license is in a revoked status, or the applicant:
- 18 (a) Is ineligible to possess a firearm under the provisions of 19 RCW 9.41.040 or 9.41.045;
- 20 (b) Is subject to a court order or injunction regarding firearms
 21 pursuant to chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81
 22 of this act) or RCW 9A.46.080, 10.14.080, 10.99.040, 10.99.045,
 23 26.09.050, 26.09.060, 26.10.040, 26.10.115, 26.26B.020, 26.50.060,
 24 26.50.070, or 26.26A.470;
- 25 (c) Is free on bond or personal recognizance pending trial, 26 appeal, or sentencing for a felony offense; or
 - (d) Has an outstanding warrant for his or her arrest from any court of competent jurisdiction for a felony or misdemeanor.
 - No license application shall be granted to a nonimmigrant alien convicted of a felony unless the person has been granted relief from disabilities by the attorney general under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 925(c), or unless RCW 9.41.040 (3) or (4) applies.
 - (3) The sheriff shall check with the national crime information center, the Washington state patrol electronic database, the health care authority electronic database, and with other agencies or resources as appropriate, to determine whether the applicant is ineligible under RCW 9.41.040 or 9.41.045 to possess a firearm.
- 38 (4) The license application shall bear the full name, residential 39 address, telephone number at the option of the applicant, date and

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place of birth, race, gender, description, a complete set of fingerprints, and signature of the applicant, a copy of the applicant's passport and visa showing the applicant is in the country legally, and a valid Washington hunting license or documentation that the applicant is a member of a sport shooting club.

A signed application for an alien firearm license shall constitute a waiver of confidentiality and written request that the health care authority, mental health institutions, and other health care facilities release information relevant to the applicant's eligibility for an alien firearm license to an inquiring court or law enforcement agency.

The application for an original license shall include a complete set of fingerprints to be forwarded to the Washington state patrol.

The license and application shall contain a warning substantially as follows:

CAUTION: Although state and local laws do not differ, federal law and state law on the possession of firearms differ. If you are prohibited by federal law from possessing a firearm, you may be prosecuted in federal court. A state license is not a defense to a federal prosecution.

The license shall contain a description of the major differences between state and federal law and an explanation of the fact that local laws and ordinances on firearms are preempted by state law and must be consistent with state law. The application shall contain questions about the applicant's eligibility under RCW 9.41.040 to possess a firearm. The nonimmigrant alien applicant shall be required to produce a passport and visa as evidence of being in the country legally.

The license may be in triplicate or in a form to be prescribed by the department of licensing. The original thereof shall be delivered to the licensee, the duplicate shall within seven days be sent to the director of licensing and the triplicate shall be preserved for six years, by the authority issuing the license.

The department of licensing shall make available to law enforcement and corrections agencies, in an online format, all information received under this section.

(5) The sheriff has the authority to collect a nonrefundable fee, paid upon application, for the two-year license. The fee shall be fifty dollars plus additional charges imposed by the Washington state

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- patrol and the federal bureau of investigation that are passed on to the applicant. No other state or local branch or unit of government may impose any additional charges on the applicant for the issuance of the license. The fee shall be retained by the sheriff.
- 5 (6) Payment shall be by cash, check, or money order at the option 6 of the applicant. Additional methods of payment may be allowed at the 7 option of the sheriff.

- (7) A political subdivision of the state shall not modify the requirements of this section, nor may a political subdivision ask the applicant to voluntarily submit any information not required by this section.
- (8) A person who knowingly makes a false statement regarding citizenship or identity on an application for an alien firearm license is guilty of false swearing under RCW 9A.72.040. In addition to any other penalty provided for by law, the alien firearm license of a person who knowingly makes a false statement shall be revoked, and the person shall be permanently ineligible for an alien firearm license.
- **Sec. 100.** RCW 9.41.300 and 2018 c 201 s 9003 and 2018 c 201 s 20 6007 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) It is unlawful for any person to enter the following places when he or she knowingly possesses or knowingly has under his or her control a weapon:
 - (a) The restricted access areas of a jail, or of a law enforcement facility, or any place used for the confinement of a person (i) arrested for, charged with, or convicted of an offense, (ii) held for extradition or as a material witness, or (iii) otherwise confined pursuant to an order of a court, except an order under chapter 13.32A or 13.34 RCW. Restricted access areas do not include common areas of egress or ingress open to the general public;
 - (b) Those areas in any building which are used in connection with court proceedings, including courtrooms, jury rooms, judge's chambers, offices and areas used to conduct court business, waiting areas, and corridors adjacent to areas used in connection with court proceedings. The restricted areas do not include common areas of ingress and egress to the building that is used in connection with court proceedings, when it is possible to protect court areas without restricting ingress and egress to the building. The restricted areas

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shall be the minimum necessary to fulfill the objective of this subsection (1)(b).

For purposes of this subsection (1)(b), "weapon" means any firearm, explosive as defined in RCW 70.74.010, or any weapon of the kind usually known as slungshot, sand club, or metal knuckles, or any knife, dagger, dirk, or other similar weapon that is capable of causing death or bodily injury and is commonly used with the intent to cause death or bodily injury.

In addition, the local legislative authority shall provide either a stationary locked box sufficient in size for pistols and key to a weapon owner for weapon storage, or shall designate an official to receive weapons for safekeeping, during the owner's visit to restricted areas of the building. The locked box or designated official shall be located within the same building used in connection with court proceedings. The local legislative authority shall be liable for any negligence causing damage to or loss of a weapon either placed in a locked box or left with an official during the owner's visit to restricted areas of the building.

The local judicial authority shall designate and clearly mark those areas where weapons are prohibited, and shall post notices at each entrance to the building of the prohibition against weapons in the restricted areas;

- (c) The restricted access areas of a public mental health facility licensed or certified by the department of health for inpatient hospital care and state institutions for the care of the mentally ill, excluding those facilities solely for evaluation and treatment. Restricted access areas do not include common areas of egress and ingress open to the general public;
- (d) That portion of an establishment classified by the state liquor and cannabis board as off-limits to persons under twenty-one years of age; or
- (e) The restricted access areas of a commercial service airport designated in the airport security plan approved by the federal transportation security administration, including passenger screening checkpoints at or beyond the point at which a passenger initiates the screening process. These areas do not include airport drives, general parking areas and walkways, and shops and areas of the terminal that are outside the screening checkpoints and that are normally open to unscreened passengers or visitors to the airport. Any restricted

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access area shall be clearly indicated by prominent signs indicating that firearms and other weapons are prohibited in the area.

- (2) Cities, towns, counties, and other municipalities may enact laws and ordinances:
- (a) Restricting the discharge of firearms in any portion of their respective jurisdictions where there is a reasonable likelihood that humans, domestic animals, or property will be jeopardized. Such laws and ordinances shall not abridge the right of the individual guaranteed by Article I, section 24 of the state Constitution to bear arms in defense of self or others; and
- (b) Restricting the possession of firearms in any stadium or convention center, operated by a city, town, county, or other municipality, except that such restrictions shall not apply to:
- (i) Any pistol in the possession of a person licensed under RCW 9.41.070 or exempt from the licensing requirement by RCW 9.41.060; or
- (ii) Any showing, demonstration, or lecture involving the exhibition of firearms.
- (3) (a) Cities, towns, and counties may enact ordinances restricting the areas in their respective jurisdictions in which firearms may be sold, but, except as provided in (b) of this subsection, a business selling firearms may not be treated more restrictively than other businesses located within the same zone. An ordinance requiring the cessation of business within a zone shall not have a shorter grandfather period for businesses selling firearms than for any other businesses within the zone.
- (b) Cities, towns, and counties may restrict the location of a business selling firearms to not less than five hundred feet from primary or secondary school grounds, if the business has a storefront, has hours during which it is open for business, and posts advertisements or signs observable to passersby that firearms are available for sale. A business selling firearms that exists as of the date a restriction is enacted under this subsection (3)(b) shall be grandfathered according to existing law.
- (4) Violations of local ordinances adopted under subsection (2) of this section must have the same penalty as provided for by state law.
- (5) The perimeter of the premises of any specific location covered by subsection (1) of this section shall be posted at reasonable intervals to alert the public as to the existence of any law restricting the possession of firearms on the premises.

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(6) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to:

- (a) A person engaged in military activities sponsored by the federal or state governments, while engaged in official duties;
- (b) Law enforcement personnel, except that subsection (1)(b) of this section does apply to a law enforcement officer who is present at a courthouse building as a party to an <u>antiharassment protection order action or a domestic violence protection order action under chapter ((10.14,)) 7.--- (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) or 10.99((, or 26.50)) RCW, or an action under Title 26 RCW where any party has alleged the existence of domestic violence as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act; or</u>
 - (c) Security personnel while engaged in official duties.
- (7) Subsection (1)(a), (b), (c), and (e) of this section does not apply to correctional personnel or community corrections officers, as long as they are employed as such, who have completed government-sponsored law enforcement firearms training, except that subsection (1)(b) of this section does apply to a correctional employee or community corrections officer who is present at a courthouse building as a party to an antiharassment protection order action or a domestic violence protection order action under chapter ((10.14,)) 7.--- (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) or 10.99((, or 26.50)) RCW, or an action under Title 26 RCW where any party has alleged the existence of domestic violence as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act.
- (8) Subsection (1)(a) of this section does not apply to a person licensed pursuant to RCW 9.41.070 who, upon entering the place or facility, directly and promptly proceeds to the administrator of the facility or the administrator's designee and obtains written permission to possess the firearm while on the premises or checks his or her firearm. The person may reclaim the firearms upon leaving but must immediately and directly depart from the place or facility.
- (9) Subsection (1)(c) of this section does not apply to any administrator or employee of the facility or to any person who, upon entering the place or facility, directly and promptly proceeds to the administrator of the facility or the administrator's designee and obtains written permission to possess the firearm while on the premises.
- 38 (10) Subsection (1)(d) of this section does not apply to the 39 proprietor of the premises or his or her employees while engaged in 40 their employment.

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(11) Government-sponsored law enforcement firearms training must be training that correctional personnel and community corrections officers receive as part of their job requirement and reference to such training does not constitute a mandate that it be provided by the correctional facility.

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- 6 (12) Any person violating subsection (1) of this section is 7 guilty of a gross misdemeanor.
- 8 (13) "Weapon" as used in this section means any firearm, 9 explosive as defined in RCW 70.74.010, or instrument or weapon listed 10 in RCW 9.41.250.
- 11 Sec. 101. RCW 9.94A.030 and 2020 c 296 s 2, 2020 c 252 s 4, and 2020 c 137 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 15 (1) "Board" means the indeterminate sentence review board created 16 under chapter 9.95 RCW.
 - (2) "Collect," or any derivative thereof, "collect and remit," or "collect and deliver," when used with reference to the department, means that the department, either directly or through a collection agreement authorized by RCW 9.94A.760, is responsible for monitoring and enforcing the offender's sentence with regard to the legal financial obligation, receiving payment thereof from the offender, and, consistent with current law, delivering daily the entire payment to the superior court clerk without depositing it in a departmental account.
 - (3) "Commission" means the sentencing guidelines commission.
 - (4) "Community corrections officer" means an employee of the department who is responsible for carrying out specific duties in supervision of sentenced offenders and monitoring of sentence conditions.
 - (5) "Community custody" means that portion of an offender's sentence of confinement in lieu of earned release time or imposed as part of a sentence under this chapter and served in the community subject to controls placed on the offender's movement and activities by the department.
- 36 (6) "Community protection zone" means the area within eight 37 hundred eighty feet of the facilities and grounds of a public or 38 private school.

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- 1 (7) "Community restitution" means compulsory service, without 2 compensation, performed for the benefit of the community by the 3 offender.
 - (8) "Confinement" means total or partial confinement.

- (9) "Conviction" means an adjudication of guilt pursuant to Title 10 or 13 RCW and includes a verdict of guilty, a finding of guilty, and acceptance of a plea of guilty.
- (10) "Crime-related prohibition" means an order of a court prohibiting conduct that directly relates to the circumstances of the crime for which the offender has been convicted, and shall not be construed to mean orders directing an offender affirmatively to participate in rehabilitative programs or to otherwise perform affirmative conduct. However, affirmative acts necessary to monitor compliance with the order of a court may be required by the department.
- (11) "Criminal history" means the list of a defendant's prior convictions and juvenile adjudications, whether in this state, in federal court, or elsewhere, and any issued certificates of restoration of opportunity pursuant to RCW 9.97.020.
- (a) The history shall include, where known, for each conviction (i) whether the defendant has been placed on probation and the length and terms thereof; and (ii) whether the defendant has been incarcerated and the length of incarceration.
- (b) A conviction may be removed from a defendant's criminal history only if it is vacated pursuant to RCW 9.96.060, 9.94A.640, 9.95.240, or a similar out-of-state statute, or if the conviction has been vacated pursuant to a governor's pardon. However, when a defendant is charged with a recidivist offense, "criminal history" includes a vacated prior conviction for the sole purpose of establishing that such vacated prior conviction constitutes an element of the present recidivist offense as provided in RCW 9.94A.640(3)(b) and 9.96.060(6)(c).
- (c) The determination of a defendant's criminal history is distinct from the determination of an offender score. A prior conviction that was not included in an offender score calculated pursuant to a former version of the sentencing reform act remains part of the defendant's criminal history.
- (12) "Criminal street gang" means any ongoing organization, association, or group of three or more persons, whether formal or informal, having a common name or common identifying sign or symbol,

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- having as one of its primary activities the commission of criminal acts, and whose members or associates individually or collectively engage in or have engaged in a pattern of criminal street gang activity. This definition does not apply to employees engaged in concerted activities for their mutual aid and protection, or to the activities of labor and bona fide nonprofit organizations or their members or agents.
 - (13) "Criminal street gang associate or member" means any person who actively participates in any criminal street gang and who intentionally promotes, furthers, or assists in any criminal act by the criminal street gang.

- (14) "Criminal street gang-related offense" means any felony or misdemeanor offense, whether in this state or elsewhere, that is committed for the benefit of, at the direction of, or in association with any criminal street gang, or is committed with the intent to promote, further, or assist in any criminal conduct by the gang, or is committed for one or more of the following reasons:
 - (a) To gain admission, prestige, or promotion within the gang;
- (b) To increase or maintain the gang's size, membership, prestige, dominance, or control in any geographical area;
- (c) To exact revenge or retribution for the gang or any member of the gang;
- 23 (d) To obstruct justice, or intimidate or eliminate any witness 24 against the gang or any member of the gang;
 - (e) To directly or indirectly cause any benefit, aggrandizement, gain, profit, or other advantage for the gang, its reputation, influence, or membership; or
 - (f) To provide the gang with any advantage in, or any control or dominance over any criminal market sector, including, but not limited to, manufacturing, delivering, or selling any controlled substance (chapter 69.50 RCW); arson (chapter 9A.48 RCW); trafficking in stolen property (chapter 9A.82 RCW); promoting prostitution (chapter 9A.88 RCW); human trafficking (RCW 9A.40.100); promoting commercial sexual abuse of a minor (RCW 9.68A.101); or promoting pornography (chapter 9.68 RCW).
 - (15) "Day fine" means a fine imposed by the sentencing court that equals the difference between the offender's net daily income and the reasonable obligations that the offender has for the support of the offender and any dependents.

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- (16) "Day reporting" means a program of enhanced supervision designed to monitor the offender's daily activities and compliance with sentence conditions, and in which the offender is required to report daily to a specific location designated by the department or the sentencing court.
 - (17) "Department" means the department of corrections.

- (18) "Determinate sentence" means a sentence that states with exactitude the number of actual years, months, or days of total confinement, of partial confinement, of community custody, the number of actual hours or days of community restitution work, or dollars or terms of a legal financial obligation. The fact that an offender through earned release can reduce the actual period of confinement shall not affect the classification of the sentence as a determinate sentence.
- (19) "Disposable earnings" means that part of the earnings of an offender remaining after the deduction from those earnings of any amount required by law to be withheld. For the purposes of this definition, "earnings" means compensation paid or payable for personal services, whether denominated as wages, salary, commission, bonuses, or otherwise, and, notwithstanding any other provision of law making the payments exempt from garnishment, attachment, or other process to satisfy a court-ordered legal financial obligation, specifically includes periodic payments pursuant to pension or retirement programs, or insurance policies of any type, but does not include payments made under Title 50 RCW, except as provided in RCW 50.40.020 and 50.40.050, or Title 74 RCW.
- 27 (20) (a) "Domestic violence" has the same meaning as defined in 28 RCW 10.99.020 ((and 26.50.010)).
- (b) "Domestic violence" also means: (i) Physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of fear of imminent physical harm, bodily injury, or assault, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in RCW 9A.46.110, of one intimate partner by another intimate partner as defined in RCW 10.99.020; or (ii) physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of fear of imminent physical harm, bodily injury, or assault, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in RCW 9A.46.110, of one family or household member by another family or household member as defined in RCW 10.99.020.
- 38 (21) "Drug offender sentencing alternative" is a sentencing 39 option available to persons convicted of a felony offense who are 40 eligible for the option under RCW 9.94A.660.

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(22) "Drug offense" means:

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- (a) Any felony violation of chapter 69.50 RCW except possession of a controlled substance (RCW 69.50.4013) or forged prescription for a controlled substance (RCW 69.50.403);
- 5 (b) Any offense defined as a felony under federal law that 6 relates to the possession, manufacture, distribution, or 7 transportation of a controlled substance; or
 - (c) Any out-of-state conviction for an offense that under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a drug offense under (a) of this subsection.
 - (23) "Earned release" means earned release from confinement as provided in RCW 9.94A.728.
 - (24) "Electronic monitoring" means tracking the location of an individual through the use of technology that is capable of determining or identifying the monitored individual's presence or absence at a particular location including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Radio frequency signaling technology, which detects if the monitored individual is or is not at an approved location and notifies the monitoring agency of the time that the monitored individual either leaves the approved location or tampers with or removes the monitoring device; or
 - (b) Active or passive global positioning system technology, which detects the location of the monitored individual and notifies the monitoring agency of the monitored individual's location and which may also include electronic monitoring with victim notification technology that is capable of notifying a victim or protected party, either directly or through a monitoring agency, if the monitored individual enters within the restricted distance of a victim or protected party, or within the restricted distance of a designated location.
 - (25) "Escape" means:
- (a) Sexually violent predator escape (RCW 9A.76.115), escape in the first degree (RCW 9A.76.110), escape in the second degree (RCW 9A.76.120), willful failure to return from furlough (RCW 72.66.060), willful failure to return from work release (RCW 72.65.070), or willful failure to be available for supervision by the department while in community custody (RCW 72.09.310); or
- 38 (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that 39 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as an 40 escape under (a) of this subsection.

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(26) "Felony traffic offense" means:

- (a) Vehicular homicide (RCW 46.61.520), vehicular assault (RCW 46.61.522), eluding a police officer (RCW 46.61.024), felony hit-and-run injury-accident (RCW 46.52.020(4)), felony driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.502(6)), or felony physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.504(6)); or
 - (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a felony traffic offense under (a) of this subsection.
 - (27) "Fine" means a specific sum of money ordered by the sentencing court to be paid by the offender to the court over a specific period of time.
 - (28) "First-time offender" means any person who has no prior convictions for a felony and is eligible for the first-time offender waiver under RCW 9.94A.650.
 - (29) "Home detention" is a subset of electronic monitoring and means a program of partial confinement available to offenders wherein the offender is confined in a private residence twenty-four hours a day, unless an absence from the residence is approved, authorized, or otherwise permitted in the order by the court or other supervising agency that ordered home detention, and the offender is subject to electronic monitoring.
 - (30) "Homelessness" or "homeless" means a condition where an individual lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and who has a primary nighttime residence that is:
 - (a) A supervised, publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations;
 - (b) A public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings; or
- 31 (c) A private residence where the individual stays as a transient 32 invitee.
 - (31) "Legal financial obligation" means a sum of money that is ordered by a superior court of the state of Washington for legal financial obligations which may include restitution to the victim, statutorily imposed crime victims' compensation fees as assessed pursuant to RCW 7.68.035, court costs, county or interlocal drug funds, court-appointed attorneys' fees, and costs of defense, fines, and any other financial obligation that is assessed to the offender as a result of a felony conviction. Upon conviction for vehicular

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- 1 assault while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug,
- 2 RCW 46.61.522(1)(b), or vehicular homicide while under the influence
- 3 of intoxicating liquor or any drug, RCW 46.61.520(1)(a), legal
- 4 financial obligations may also include payment to a public agency of
- 5 the expense of an emergency response to the incident resulting in the
- 6 conviction, subject to RCW 38.52.430.
- 7 (32) "Most serious offense" means any of the following felonies 8 or a felony attempt to commit any of the following felonies:
- 9 (a) Any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or 10 criminal solicitation of or criminal conspiracy to commit a class A 11 felony;
 - (b) Assault in the second degree;
 - (c) Assault of a child in the second degree;
- 14 (d) Child molestation in the second degree;
- 15 (e) Controlled substance homicide;
- 16 (f) Extortion in the first degree;
- 17 (g) Incest when committed against a child under age fourteen;
- 18 (h) Indecent liberties;

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- 19 (i) Kidnapping in the second degree;
- 20 (j) Leading organized crime;
- 21 (k) Manslaughter in the first degree;
- 22 (1) Manslaughter in the second degree;
- 23 (m) Promoting prostitution in the first degree;
- 24 (n) Rape in the third degree;
- 25 (o) Sexual exploitation;
- (p) Vehicular assault, when caused by the operation or driving of a vehicle by a person while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug or by the operation or driving of a vehicle in a reckless manner;
- 30 (q) Vehicular homicide, when proximately caused by the driving of 31 any vehicle by any person while under the influence of intoxicating 32 liquor or any drug as defined by RCW 46.61.502, or by the operation 33 of any vehicle in a reckless manner;
- 34 (r) Any other class B felony offense with a finding of sexual 35 motivation;
- 36 (s) Any other felony with a deadly weapon verdict under RCW 37 9.94A.825;
- 38 (t) Any felony offense in effect at any time prior to December 2, 39 1993, that is comparable to a most serious offense under this 40 subsection, or any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense

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- that under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a most serious offense under this subsection;
- 3 (u)(i) A prior conviction for indecent liberties under RCW 9A.44.100(1) (a), (b), and (c), chapter 260, Laws of 1975 1st ex. 5 sess. as it existed until July 1, 1979, RCW 9A.44.100(1) (a), (b), and (c) as it existed from July 1, 1979, until June 11, 1986, and RCW 9A.44.100(1) (a), (b), and (d) as it existed from June 11, 1986, until July 1, 1988;
- (ii) A prior conviction for indecent liberties under 9A.44.100(1)(c) as it existed from June 11, 1986, until July 1, 1988, if: (A) The crime was committed against a child under the age of fourteen; or (B) the relationship between the victim and perpetrator is included in the definition of indecent liberties under RCW 9A.44.100(1)(c) as it existed from July 1, 1988, through July 27, 1997, or RCW 9A.44.100(1) (d) or (e) as it existed from July 25, 1993, through July 27, 1997;

- (v) Any out-of-state conviction for a felony offense with a finding of sexual motivation if the minimum sentence imposed was ten years or more; provided that the out-of-state felony offense must be comparable to a felony offense under this title and Title 9A RCW and the out-of-state definition of sexual motivation must be comparable to the definition of sexual motivation contained in this section.
- 23 (33) "Nonviolent offense" means an offense which is not a violent 24 offense.
 - (34) "Offender" means a person who has committed a felony established by state law and is eighteen years of age or older or is less than eighteen years of age but whose case is under superior court jurisdiction under RCW 13.04.030 or has been transferred by the appropriate juvenile court to a criminal court pursuant to RCW 13.40.110. In addition, for the purpose of community custody requirements under this chapter, "offender" also means a misdemeanant or gross misdemeanant probationer ordered by a superior court to probation pursuant to RCW 9.92.060, 9.95.204, or 9.95.210 and supervised by the department pursuant to RCW 9.94A.501 and 9.94A.5011. Throughout this chapter, the terms "offender" and "defendant" are used interchangeably.
 - (35) "Partial confinement" means confinement for no more than one year in a facility or institution operated or utilized under contract by the state or any other unit of government, or, if home detention, electronic monitoring, or work crew has been ordered by the court or

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- 1 home detention has been ordered by the department as part of the
- 2 parenting program or the graduated reentry program, in an approved
- 3 residence, for a substantial portion of each day with the balance of
- 4 the day spent in the community. Partial confinement includes work
- 5 release, home detention, work crew, electronic monitoring, and a
- 6 combination of work crew, electronic monitoring, and home detention.
- 7 (36) "Pattern of criminal street gang activity" means:
- 8 (a) The commission, attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation of, or 9 any prior juvenile adjudication of or adult conviction of, two or
 - more of the following criminal street gang-related offenses:
- 11 (i) Any "serious violent" felony offense as defined in this 12 section, excluding Homicide by Abuse (RCW 9A.32.055) and Assault of a
- 13 Child 1 (RCW 9A.36.120);

- 14 (ii) Any "violent" offense as defined by this section, excluding
- 15 Assault of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.36.130);
- 16 (iii) Deliver or Possession with Intent to Deliver a Controlled
- 17 Substance (chapter 69.50 RCW);
- 18 (iv) Any violation of the firearms and dangerous weapon act
- 19 (chapter 9.41 RCW);
- 20 (v) Theft of a Firearm (RCW 9A.56.300);
- 21 (vi) Possession of a Stolen Firearm (RCW 9A.56.310);
- 22 (vii) Hate Crime (RCW 9A.36.080);
- (viii) Harassment where a subsequent violation or deadly threat
- 24 is made (RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b));
- 25 (ix) Criminal Gang Intimidation (RCW 9A.46.120);
- 26 (x) Any felony conviction by a person eighteen years of age or
- 27 older with a special finding of involving a juvenile in a felony
- offense under RCW 9.94A.833;
- 29 (xi) Residential Burglary (RCW 9A.52.025);
- 30 (xii) Burglary 2 (RCW 9A.52.030);
- 31 (xiii) Malicious Mischief 1 (RCW 9A.48.070);
- 32 (xiv) Malicious Mischief 2 (RCW 9A.48.080);
- 33 (xv) Theft of a Motor Vehicle (RCW 9A.56.065);
- 34 (xvi) Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle (RCW 9A.56.068);
- 35 (xvii) Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 1 (RCW
- 36 9A.56.070);
- 37 (xviii) Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 2 (RCW
- 38 9A.56.075);
- 39 (xix) Extortion 1 (RCW 9A.56.120);
- 40 (xx) Extortion 2 (RCW 9A.56.130);

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1  (xxi) Intimidating a Witness (RCW 9A.72.110);
2  (xxii) Tampering with a Witness (RCW 9A.72.120);
3  (xxiii) Reckless Endangerment (RCW 9A.36.050);
4  (xxiv) Coercion (RCW 9A.36.070);
5  (xxv) Harassment (RCW 9A.46.020); or
6  (xxvi) Malicious Mischief 3 (RCW 9A.48.090);
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- 7 (b) That at least one of the offenses listed in (a) of this 8 subsection shall have occurred after July 1, 2008;
- 9 (c) That the most recent committed offense listed in (a) of this 10 subsection occurred within three years of a prior offense listed in 11 (a) of this subsection; and
 - (d) Of the offenses that were committed in (a) of this subsection, the offenses occurred on separate occasions or were committed by two or more persons.
 - (37) "Persistent offender" is an offender who:
 - (a) (i) Has been convicted in this state of any felony considered a most serious offense; and
 - (ii) Has, before the commission of the offense under (a) of this subsection, been convicted as an offender on at least two separate occasions, whether in this state or elsewhere, of felonies that under the laws of this state would be considered most serious offenses and would be included in the offender score under RCW 9.94A.525; provided that of the two or more previous convictions, at least one conviction must have occurred before the commission of any of the other most serious offenses for which the offender was previously convicted; or
 - (b) (i) Has been convicted of: (A) Rape in the first degree, rape of a child in the first degree, child molestation in the first degree, rape in the second degree, rape of a child in the second degree, or indecent liberties by forcible compulsion; (B) any of the following offenses with a finding of sexual motivation: Murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, homicide by abuse, kidnapping in the first degree, kidnapping in the second degree, assault in the first degree, assault in the second degree, or burglary in the first degree; or (C) an attempt to commit any crime listed in this subsection (37) (b) (i); and
 - (ii) Has, before the commission of the offense under (b)(i) of this subsection, been convicted as an offender on at least one occasion, whether in this state or elsewhere, of an offense listed in (b)(i) of this subsection or any federal or out-of-state offense or

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offense under prior Washington law that is comparable to the offenses listed in (b)(i) of this subsection. A conviction for rape of a child in the first degree constitutes a conviction under (b)(i) of this subsection only when the offender was sixteen years of age or older when the offender committed the offense. A conviction for rape of a child in the second degree constitutes a conviction under (b)(i) of this subsection only when the offender was eighteen years of age or older when the offender committed the offense.

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- (38) "Predatory" means: (a) The perpetrator of the crime was a 9 stranger to the victim, as defined in this section; (b) the 10 11 perpetrator established or promoted a relationship with the victim 12 prior to the offense and the victimization of the victim was a significant reason the perpetrator established or promoted the 13 relationship; or (c) the perpetrator was: (i) A teacher, counselor, 14 volunteer, or other person in authority in any public or private 15 16 school and the victim was a student of the school under his or her 17 authority or supervision. For purposes of this subsection, "school" 18 does not include home-based instruction as defined in RCW 28A.225.010; (ii) a coach, trainer, volunteer, or other person in 19 authority in any recreational activity and the victim was a 20 21 participant in the activity under his or her authority 22 supervision; (iii) a pastor, elder, volunteer, or other person in 23 authority in any church or religious organization, and the victim was a member or participant of the organization under his or her 24 25 authority; or (iv) a teacher, counselor, volunteer, or other person in authority providing home-based instruction and the victim was a 26 student receiving home-based instruction while under his or her 27 28 authority or supervision. For purposes of this subsection: (A) "Home-29 based instruction" has the same meaning as defined in 28A.225.010; and (B) "teacher, counselor, volunteer, or other person 30 31 in authority" does not include the parent or legal guardian of the 32 victim.
 - (39) "Private school" means a school regulated under chapter 28A.195 or 28A.205 RCW.
 - (40) "Public school" has the same meaning as in RCW 28A.150.010.
- 36 (41) "Recidivist offense" means a felony offense where a prior 37 conviction of the same offense or other specified offense is an 38 element of the crime including, but not limited to:
- 39 (a) Assault in the fourth degree where domestic violence is 40 pleaded and proven, RCW 9A.36.041(3);

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1 (b) Cyberstalking, RCW 9.61.260(3)(a);

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- 2 (c) Harassment, RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b)(i);
- 3 (d) Indecent exposure, RCW 9A.88.010(2)(c);
 - (e) Stalking, RCW 9A.46.110(5)(b) (i) and (iii);
- 5 (f) Telephone harassment, RCW 9.61.230(2)(a); and
- 6 (g) Violation of a no-contact or protection order, section 56 of this act or RCW 26.50.110(5).
 - (42) "Repetitive domestic violence offense" means any:
- 9 (a)(i) Domestic violence assault that is not a felony offense 10 under RCW 9A.36.041;
- 11 (ii) Domestic violence violation of a no-contact order under 12 chapter 10.99 RCW that is not a felony offense;
- (iii) Domestic violence violation of a protection order under chapter 26.09, 26.10, 26.26A, 26.26B, or 26.50 RCW, or violation of a domestic violence protection order under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), that is not a felony offense;
- 18 (iv) Domestic violence harassment offense under RCW 9A.46.020 19 that is not a felony offense; or
 - (v) Domestic violence stalking offense under RCW 9A.46.110 that is not a felony offense; or
 - (b) Any federal, out-of-state, tribal court, military, county, or municipal conviction for an offense that under the laws of this state would be classified as a repetitive domestic violence offense under (a) of this subsection.
 - (43) "Restitution" means a specific sum of money ordered by the sentencing court to be paid by the offender to the court over a specified period of time as payment of damages. The sum may include both public and private costs.
 - (44) "Risk assessment" means the application of the risk instrument recommended to the department by the Washington state institute for public policy as having the highest degree of predictive accuracy for assessing an offender's risk of reoffense.
 - (45) "Serious traffic offense" means:
- 35 (a) Nonfelony driving while under the influence of intoxicating 36 liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.502), nonfelony actual physical control 37 while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 38 46.61.504), reckless driving (RCW 46.61.500), or hit-and-run an 39 attended vehicle (RCW 46.52.020(5)); or

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- 1 (b) Any federal, out-of-state, county, or municipal conviction 2 for an offense that under the laws of this state would be classified 3 as a serious traffic offense under (a) of this subsection.
- 4 (46) "Serious violent offense" is a subcategory of violent 5 offense and means:
 - (a) (i) Murder in the first degree;
 - (ii) Homicide by abuse;

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- 8 (iii) Murder in the second degree;
- 9 (iv) Manslaughter in the first degree;
- 10 (v) Assault in the first degree;
- 11 (vi) Kidnapping in the first degree;
- 12 (vii) Rape in the first degree;
- 13 (viii) Assault of a child in the first degree; or
- 14 (ix) An attempt, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy to commit one of these felonies; or
- 16 (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that 17 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a 18 serious violent offense under (a) of this subsection.
- 19 (47) "Sex offense" means:
- 20 (a)(i) A felony that is a violation of chapter 9A.44 RCW other 21 than RCW 9A.44.132;
- 22 (ii) A violation of RCW 9A.64.020;
- 23 (iii) A felony that is a violation of chapter 9.68A RCW other 24 than RCW 9.68A.080;
- 25 (iv) A felony that is, under chapter 9A.28 RCW, a criminal attempt, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy to commit such crimes; or
- (v) A felony violation of RCW 9A.44.132(1) (failure to register as a sex offender) if the person has been convicted of violating RCW 9A.44.132(1) (failure to register as a sex offender) or 9A.44.130 prior to June 10, 2010, on at least one prior occasion;
- 32 (b) Any conviction for a felony offense in effect at any time 33 prior to July 1, 1976, that is comparable to a felony classified as a 34 sex offense in (a) of this subsection;
- 35 (c) A felony with a finding of sexual motivation under RCW 36 9.94A.835 or 13.40.135; or
- 37 (d) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that 38 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a sex 39 offense under (a) of this subsection.

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- 1 (48) "Sexual motivation" means that one of the purposes for which 2 the defendant committed the crime was for the purpose of his or her 3 sexual gratification.
 - (49) "Standard sentence range" means the sentencing court's discretionary range in imposing a nonappealable sentence.
 - (50) "Statutory maximum sentence" means the maximum length of time for which an offender may be confined as punishment for a crime as prescribed in chapter 9A.20 RCW, RCW 9.92.010, the statute defining the crime, or other statute defining the maximum penalty for a crime.
- 11 (51) "Stranger" means that the victim did not know the offender 12 twenty-four hours before the offense.
 - (52) "Total confinement" means confinement inside the physical boundaries of a facility or institution operated or utilized under contract by the state or any other unit of government for twenty-four hours a day, or pursuant to RCW 72.64.050 and 72.64.060.
 - (53) "Transition training" means written and verbal instructions and assistance provided by the department to the offender during the two weeks prior to the offender's successful completion of the work ethic camp program. The transition training shall include instructions in the offender's requirements and obligations during the offender's period of community custody.
- 23 (54) "Victim" means any person who has sustained emotional, 24 psychological, physical, or financial injury to person or property as 25 a direct result of the crime charged.
 - (55) "Violent offense" means:

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- (a) Any of the following felonies:
- 28 (i) Any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or an 29 attempt to commit a class A felony;
- 30 (ii) Criminal solicitation of or criminal conspiracy to commit a 31 class A felony;
 - (iii) Manslaughter in the first degree;
 - (iv) Manslaughter in the second degree;
- 34 (v) Indecent liberties if committed by forcible compulsion;
- 35 (vi) Kidnapping in the second degree;
- 36 (vii) Arson in the second degree;
- 37 (viii) Assault in the second degree;
- 38 (ix) Assault of a child in the second degree;
- 39 (x) Extortion in the first degree;
- 40 (xi) Robbery in the second degree;

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- 2 (xiii) Vehicular assault, when caused by the operation or driving 3 of a vehicle by a person while under the influence of intoxicating 4 liquor or any drug or by the operation or driving of a vehicle in a 5 reckless manner; and
 - (xiv) Vehicular homicide, when proximately caused by the driving of any vehicle by any person while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug as defined by RCW 46.61.502, or by the operation of any vehicle in a reckless manner;
- 10 (b) Any conviction for a felony offense in effect at any time 11 prior to July 1, 1976, that is comparable to a felony classified as a 12 violent offense in (a) of this subsection; and
- 13 (c) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that 14 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a 15 violent offense under (a) or (b) of this subsection.
- 16 (56) "Work crew" means a program of partial confinement 17 consisting of civic improvement tasks for the benefit of the 18 community that complies with RCW 9.94A.725.
 - (57) "Work ethic camp" means an alternative incarceration program as provided in RCW 9.94A.690 designed to reduce recidivism and lower the cost of corrections by requiring offenders to complete a comprehensive array of real-world job and vocational experiences, character-building work ethics training, life management skills development, substance abuse rehabilitation, counseling, literacy training, and basic adult education.
- 26 (58) "Work release" means a program of partial confinement 27 available to offenders who are employed or engaged as a student in a 28 regular course of study at school.
- 29 **Sec. 102.** RCW 9.94A.411 and 2019 c 46 s 5008 are each amended to 30 read as follows:
- 31 (1) Decision not to prosecute.
- 32 STANDARD: A prosecuting attorney may decline to prosecute, even 33 though technically sufficient evidence to prosecute exists, in 34 situations where prosecution would serve no public purpose, would 35 defeat the underlying purpose of the law in question or would result 36 in decreased respect for the law.
- 37 GUIDELINE/COMMENTARY:
- 38 Examples

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The following are examples of reasons not to prosecute which could satisfy the standard.

- (a) Contrary to Legislative Intent It may be proper to decline to charge where the application of criminal sanctions would be clearly contrary to the intent of the legislature in enacting the particular statute.
- 7 (b) Antiquated Statute It may be proper to decline to charge 8 where the statute in question is antiquated in that:
 - (i) It has not been enforced for many years; and

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- 10 (ii) Most members of society act as if it were no longer in 11 existence; and
- 12 (iii) It serves no deterrent or protective purpose in today's society; and
- 14 (iv) The statute has not been recently reconsidered by the 15 legislature.
- This reason is not to be construed as the basis for declining cases because the law in question is unpopular or because it is difficult to enforce.
- 19 (c) De Minimis Violation It may be proper to decline to charge 20 where the violation of law is only technical or insubstantial and 21 where no public interest or deterrent purpose would be served by 22 prosecution.
- 23 (d) Confinement on Other Charges It may be proper to decline to 24 charge because the accused has been sentenced on another charge to a 25 lengthy period of confinement; and
 - (i) Conviction of the new offense would not merit any additional direct or collateral punishment;
- 28 (ii) The new offense is either a misdemeanor or a felony which is 29 not particularly aggravated; and
- 30 (iii) Conviction of the new offense would not serve any 31 significant deterrent purpose.
- 32 (e) Pending Conviction on Another Charge It may be proper to 33 decline to charge because the accused is facing a pending prosecution 34 in the same or another county; and
- 35 (i) Conviction of the new offense would not merit any additional direct or collateral punishment;
 - (ii) Conviction in the pending prosecution is imminent;
- 38 (iii) The new offense is either a misdemeanor or a felony which 39 is not particularly aggravated; and

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- 1 (iv) Conviction of the new offense would not serve any 2 significant deterrent purpose.
 - (f) High Disproportionate Cost of Prosecution It may be proper to decline to charge where the cost of locating or transporting, or the burden on, prosecution witnesses is highly disproportionate to the importance of prosecuting the offense in question. This reason should be limited to minor cases and should not be relied upon in serious cases.
 - (g) Improper Motives of Complainant It may be proper to decline charges because the motives of the complainant are improper and prosecution would serve no public purpose, would defeat the underlying purpose of the law in question or would result in decreased respect for the law.
 - (h) Immunity It may be proper to decline to charge where immunity is to be given to an accused in order to prosecute another where the accused's information or testimony will reasonably lead to the conviction of others who are responsible for more serious criminal conduct or who represent a greater danger to the public interest.
- 20 (i) Victim Request It may be proper to decline to charge 21 because the victim requests that no criminal charges be filed and the 22 case involves the following crimes or situations:
- 23 (i) Assault cases where the victim has suffered little or no 24 injury;
- 25 (ii) Crimes against property, not involving violence, where no 26 major loss was suffered;
- 27 (iii) Where doing so would not jeopardize the safety of society.
- Care should be taken to insure that the victim's request is freely made and is not the product of threats or pressure by the accused.
- The presence of these factors may also justify the decision to dismiss a prosecution which has been commenced.
- 33 Notification

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- 34 The prosecutor is encouraged to notify the victim, when 35 practical, and the law enforcement personnel, of the decision not to 36 prosecute.
- 37 (2) Decision to prosecute.
- 38 (a) STANDARD:
- Crimes against persons will be filed if sufficient admissible evidence exists, which, when considered with the most plausible,

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- reasonably foreseeable defense that could be raised under the evidence, would justify conviction by a reasonable and objective fact finder. With regard to offenses prohibited by RCW 9A.44.040, 9A.44.050, 9A.44.073, 9A.44.076, 9A.44.079, 9A.44.083, 9A.44.086, 9A.44.089, and 9A.64.020 the prosecutor should avoid prefiling agreements or diversions intended to place the accused in a program of treatment or counseling, so that treatment, if determined to be
- 9 Crimes against property/other crimes will be filed if the 10 admissible evidence is of such convincing force as to make it 11 probable that a reasonable and objective fact finder would convict 12 after hearing all the admissible evidence and the most plausible 13 defense that could be raised.
- 14 See table below for the crimes within these categories.

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15 CATEGORIZATION OF CRIMES FOR PROSECUTING STANDARDS

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16
        CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS
17
        Aggravated Murder (RCW 10.95.020)
         1st Degree Murder (RCW 9A.32.030)
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         2nd Degree Murder (RCW 9A.32.050)
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20
         1st Degree Manslaughter (RCW 9A.32.060)
21
         2nd Degree Manslaughter (RCW 9A.32.070)
22
         1st Degree Kidnapping (RCW 9A.40.020)
         2nd Degree Kidnapping (RCW 9A.40.030)
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24
         1st Degree Assault (RCW 9A.36.011)
25
         2nd Degree Assault (RCW 9A.36.021)
26
         3rd Degree Assault (RCW 9A.36.031)
27
         4th Degree Assault (if a violation of RCW 9A.36.041(3))
28
         1st Degree Assault of a Child (RCW 9A.36.120)
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         2nd Degree Assault of a Child (RCW 9A.36.130)
         3rd Degree Assault of a Child (RCW 9A.36.140)
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         1st Degree Rape (RCW 9A.44.040)
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1st Degree Rape of a Child (RCW 9A.44.073)
2nd Degree Rape of a Child (RCW 9A.44.076)

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- 36 3rd Degree Rape of a Child (RCW 9A.44.079)
- 1st Degree Robbery (RCW 9A.56.200)
- 2nd Degree Robbery (RCW 9A.56.210)
- 39 1st Degree Arson (RCW 9A.48.020)

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1
        1st Degree Burglary (RCW 9A.52.020)
        1st Degree Identity Theft (RCW 9.35.020(2))
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        2nd Degree Identity Theft (RCW 9.35.020(3))
        1st Degree Extortion (RCW 9A.56.120)
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        2nd Degree Extortion (RCW 9A.56.130)
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6
        1st Degree Criminal Mistreatment (RCW 9A.42.020)
7
        2nd Degree Criminal Mistreatment (RCW 9A.42.030)
        1st Degree Theft from a Vulnerable Adult (RCW 9A.56.400(1))
8
        2nd Degree Theft from a Vulnerable Adult (RCW 9A.56.400(2))
9
        Indecent Liberties (RCW 9A.44.100)
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        Incest (RCW 9A.64.020)
12
        Vehicular Homicide (RCW 46.61.520)
        Vehicular Assault (RCW 46.61.522)
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        1st Degree Child Molestation (RCW 9A.44.083)
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        2nd Degree Child Molestation (RCW 9A.44.086)
16
        3rd Degree Child Molestation (RCW 9A.44.089)
        1st Degree Promoting Prostitution (RCW 9A.88.070)
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18
        Intimidating a Juror (RCW 9A.72.130)
19
        Communication with a Minor (RCW 9.68A.090)
        Intimidating a Witness (RCW 9A.72.110)
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        Intimidating a Public Servant (RCW 9A.76.180)
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22
        Bomb Threat (if against person) (RCW 9.61.160)
23
        Unlawful Imprisonment (RCW 9A.40.040)
24
        Promoting a Suicide Attempt (RCW 9A.36.060)
25
        Criminal Mischief (if against person) (RCW 9A.84.010)
26
        Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110)
27
        Custodial Assault (RCW 9A.36.100)
28
        Domestic Violence Court Order Violation (section 56 of this act,
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    RCW 10.99.040, 10.99.050, 26.09.300, 26.10.220,
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    26.50.110, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145)
31
        Counterfeiting (if a violation of RCW 9.16.035(4))
32
        Felony Driving a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of
33
    Intoxicating Liquor or Any Drug (RCW 46.61.502(6))
        Felony Physical Control of a Motor Vehicle While Under the
34
    Influence of Intoxicating Liquor or Any Drug (RCW 46.61.504(6))
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36
        CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER CRIMES
37
        2nd Degree Arson (RCW 9A.48.030)
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        1st Degree Escape (RCW 9A.76.110)
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2nd Degree Escape (RCW 9A.76.120)

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1
         2nd Degree Burglary (RCW 9A.52.030)
        1st Degree Theft (RCW 9A.56.030)
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        2nd Degree Theft (RCW 9A.56.040)
        1st Degree Perjury (RCW 9A.72.020)
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         2nd Degree Perjury (RCW 9A.72.030)
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6
         1st Degree Introducing Contraband (RCW 9A.76.140)
7
        2nd Degree Introducing Contraband (RCW 9A.76.150)
         1st Degree Possession of Stolen Property (RCW 9A.56.150)
8
         2nd Degree Possession of Stolen Property (RCW 9A.56.160)
9
        Bribery (RCW 9A.68.010)
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        Bribing a Witness (RCW 9A.72.090)
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        Bribe received by a Witness (RCW 9A.72.100)
        Bomb Threat (if against property) (RCW 9.61.160)
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        1st Degree Malicious Mischief (RCW 9A.48.070)
        2nd Degree Malicious Mischief (RCW 9A.48.080)
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16
         1st Degree Reckless Burning (RCW 9A.48.040)
17
        Taking a Motor Vehicle without Authorization (RCW 9A.56.070 and
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     9A.56.075)
19
        Forgery (RCW 9A.60.020)
20
         2nd Degree Promoting Prostitution (RCW 9A.88.080)
21
         Tampering with a Witness (RCW 9A.72.120)
22
         Trading in Public Office (RCW 9A.68.040)
23
        Trading in Special Influence (RCW 9A.68.050)
24
        Receiving/Granting Unlawful Compensation (RCW 9A.68.030)
25
        Bigamy (RCW 9A.64.010)
26
        Eluding a Pursuing Police Vehicle (RCW 46.61.024)
27
        Willful Failure to Return from Furlough
28
        Escape from Community Custody
29
        Criminal Mischief (if against property) (RCW 9A.84.010)
        1st Degree Theft of Livestock (RCW 9A.56.080)
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31
        2nd Degree Theft of Livestock (RCW 9A.56.083)
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        ALL OTHER UNCLASSIFIED FELONIES
33
        Selection of Charges/Degree of Charge
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         (i) The prosecutor should file charges which adequately describe
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    the nature of defendant's conduct. Other offenses may be charged only
     if they are necessary to ensure that the charges:
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(B) Will result in restitution to all victims.

(A) Will significantly enhance the strength of the state's case

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at trial; or

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- 1 (ii) The prosecutor should not overcharge to obtain a guilty 2 plea. Overcharging includes:
 - (A) Charging a higher degree;

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(B) Charging additional counts.

This standard is intended to direct prosecutors to charge those crimes which demonstrate the nature and seriousness of a defendant's criminal conduct, but to decline to charge crimes which are not necessary to such an indication. Crimes which do not merge as a matter of law, but which arise from the same course of conduct, do not all have to be charged.

- (b) GUIDELINES/COMMENTARY:
- (i) Police Investigation

A prosecuting attorney is dependent upon law enforcement agencies to conduct the necessary factual investigation which must precede the decision to prosecute. The prosecuting attorney shall ensure that a thorough factual investigation has been conducted before a decision to prosecute is made. In ordinary circumstances the investigation should include the following:

- 19 (A) The interviewing of all material witnesses, together with the 20 obtaining of written statements whenever possible;
 - (B) The completion of necessary laboratory tests; and
- 22 (C) The obtaining, in accordance with constitutional requirements, of the suspect's version of the events.

If the initial investigation is incomplete, a prosecuting attorney should insist upon further investigation before a decision to prosecute is made, and specify what the investigation needs to include.

- (ii) Exceptions
- In certain situations, a prosecuting attorney may authorize filing of a criminal complaint before the investigation is complete if:
 - (A) Probable cause exists to believe the suspect is guilty; and
- 33 (B) The suspect presents a danger to the community or is likely 34 to flee if not apprehended; or
- 35 (C) The arrest of the suspect is necessary to complete the 36 investigation of the crime.

In the event that the exception to the standard is applied, the prosecuting attorney shall obtain a commitment from the law enforcement agency involved to complete the investigation in a timely

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1 manner. If the subsequent investigation does not produce sufficient evidence to meet the normal charging standard, the complaint should 2 3 be dismissed. (iii) Investigation Techniques 4 5 The prosecutor should be fully advised of the investigatory 6 techniques that were used in the case investigation including: 7 (A) Polygraph testing; (B) Hypnosis; 8 (C) Electronic surveillance; 9 (D) Use of informants. 10 (iv) Prefiling Discussions with Defendant 11 12 Discussions with the defendant or his/her representative regarding the selection or disposition of charges may occur prior to 13 14 the filing of charges, and potential agreements can be reached. (v) Prefiling Discussions with Victim(s) 15 16 Discussions with the victim(s) or victims' representatives 17 regarding the selection or disposition of charges may occur before the filing of charges. The discussions may be considered by the 18 prosecutor in charging and disposition decisions, and should be 19 considered before reaching any agreement with the defendant regarding 20 21 these decisions. 22 Sec. 103. RCW 9.94A.515 and 2020 c 344 s 4 are each amended to read as follows: 23 24 TABLE 2 25 CRIMES INCLUDED WITHIN EACH 26 SERIOUSNESS LEVEL 27 XVI Aggravated Murder 1 (RCW 10.95.020) 28 XV Homicide by abuse (RCW 9A.32.055) 29 Malicious explosion 1 (RCW 30 70.74.280(1)) 31 Murder 1 (RCW 9A.32.030) 32 XIV Murder 2 (RCW 9A.32.050) 33 Trafficking 1 (RCW 9A.40.100(1)) 34 XIII Malicious explosion 2 (RCW

70.74.280(2))

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1 2		Malicious placement of an explosive 1
		(RCW 70.74.270(1))
3	XII	Assault 1 (RCW 9A.36.011)
4		Assault of a Child 1 (RCW 9A.36.120)
5		Malicious placement of an imitation
6		device 1 (RCW 70.74.272(1)(a))
7		Promoting Commercial Sexual Abuse of
8		a Minor (RCW 9.68A.101)
9		Rape 1 (RCW 9A.44.040)
10		Rape of a Child 1 (RCW 9A.44.073)
11		Trafficking 2 (RCW 9A.40.100(3))
12	XI	Manslaughter 1 (RCW 9A.32.060)
13		Rape 2 (RCW 9A.44.050)
14		Rape of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.44.076)
15		Vehicular Homicide, by being under the
16		influence of intoxicating liquor or
17		any drug (RCW 46.61.520)
18		Vehicular Homicide, by the operation of
19		any vehicle in a reckless manner
20		(RCW 46.61.520)
21	X	Child Molestation 1 (RCW 9A.44.083)
22		Criminal Mistreatment 1 (RCW
23		9A.42.020)
24		Indecent Liberties (with forcible
25		compulsion) (RCW
26		9A.44.100(1)(a))
27		Kidnapping 1 (RCW 9A.40.020)
28		Leading Organized Crime (RCW
29		9A.82.060(1)(a))
30		Malicious explosion 3 (RCW
31		70.74.280(3))
32		Sexually Violent Predator Escape (RCW
33		9A.76.115)
34	IX	Abandonment of Dependent Person 1
35		(RCW 9A.42.060)

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1		Assault of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.36.130)
2		Explosive devices prohibited (RCW
3		70.74.180)
4		Hit and Run—Death (RCW
5		46.52.020(4)(a))
6		Homicide by Watercraft, by being under
7		the influence of intoxicating liquor
8		or any drug (RCW 79A.60.050)
9		Inciting Criminal Profiteering (RCW
10		9A.82.060(1)(b))
11		Malicious placement of an explosive 2
12		(RCW 70.74.270(2))
13		Robbery 1 (RCW 9A.56.200)
14		Sexual Exploitation (RCW 9.68A.040)
15	VIII	Arson 1 (RCW 9A.48.020)
16		Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor
17		(RCW 9.68A.100)
18		Homicide by Watercraft, by the
19		operation of any vessel in a reckless
20		manner (RCW 79A.60.050)
21		Manslaughter 2 (RCW 9A.32.070)
22		Promoting Prostitution 1 (RCW
23		9A.88.070)
24		Theft of Ammonia (RCW 69.55.010)
25	VII	Air bag diagnostic systems (causing
26		bodily injury or death) (RCW
27		46.37.660(2)(b))
28		Air bag replacement requirements
29		(causing bodily injury or death)
30		(RCW 46.37.660(1)(b))
31		Burglary 1 (RCW 9A.52.020)
32		Child Molestation 2 (RCW 9A.44.086)
33		Civil Disorder Training (RCW
34		9A.48.120)

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1	Dealing in depictions of minor engaged
2	in sexually explicit conduct 1
3	(RCW 9.68A.050(1))
4	Drive-by Shooting (RCW 9A.36.045)
5	False Reporting 1 (RCW
6	9A.84.040(2)(a))
7	Homicide by Watercraft, by disregard
8	for the safety of others (RCW
9	79A.60.050)
10	Indecent Liberties (without forcible
11	compulsion) (RCW 9A.44.100(1)
12	(b) and (c))
13	Introducing Contraband 1 (RCW
14	9A.76.140)
15	Malicious placement of an explosive 3
16	(RCW 70.74.270(3))
17	Manufacture or import counterfeit,
18	nonfunctional, damaged, or
19	previously deployed air bag
20	(causing bodily injury or death)
21	(RCW 46.37.650(1)(b))
22	Negligently Causing Death By Use of a
23	Signal Preemption Device (RCW
24	46.37.675)
25	Sell, install, or reinstall counterfeit,
26	nonfunctional, damaged, or
27	previously deployed airbag (RCW
28	46.37.650(2)(b))
29	Sending, bringing into state depictions
30	of minor engaged in sexually
31	explicit conduct 1 (RCW
32	9.68A.060(1))
33	Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in the
34	first degree (RCW 9.41.040(1))
35	Use of a Machine Gun or Bump-fire
36	Stock in Commission of a Felony
37	(RCW 9.41.225)

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1		Vehicular Homicide, by disregard for
2		the safety of others (RCW
3		46.61.520)
4	VI	Bail Jumping with Murder 1 (RCW
5		9A.76.170(3)(a))
6		Bribery (RCW 9A.68.010)
7		Incest 1 (RCW 9A.64.020(1))
8		Intimidating a Judge (RCW 9A.72.160)
9		Intimidating a Juror/Witness (RCW
10		9A.72.110, 9A.72.130)
11		Malicious placement of an imitation
12		device 2 (RCW 70.74.272(1)(b))
13		Possession of Depictions of a Minor
14		Engaged in Sexually Explicit
15		Conduct 1 (RCW 9.68A.070(1))
16		Rape of a Child 3 (RCW 9A.44.079)
17		Theft of a Firearm (RCW 9A.56.300)
18		Theft from a Vulnerable Adult 1 (RCW
19		9A.56.400(1))
20		Unlawful Storage of Ammonia (RCW
21		69.55.020)
22	V	Abandonment of Dependent Person 2
23		(RCW 9A.42.070)
24		Advancing money or property for
25		extortionate extension of credit
26		(RCW 9A.82.030)
27		Air bag diagnostic systems (RCW
28		46.37.660(2)(c))
29		Air bag replacement requirements
30		(RCW 46.37.660(1)(c))
31		Bail Jumping with class A Felony
32		(RCW 9A.76.170(3)(b))
33		Child Molestation 3 (RCW 9A.44.089)
34		Criminal Mistreatment 2 (RCW
35		9A.42.030)

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1	Custodial Sexual Misconduct 1 (RCW
2	9A.44.160)
3	Dealing in Depictions of Minor
4	Engaged in Sexually Explicit
5	Conduct 2 (RCW 9.68A.050(2))
6	Domestic Violence Court Order
7	Violation (section 56 of this act,
8	RCW 10.99.040, 10.99.050,
9	26.09.300, 26.10.220, 26.26B.050,
10	26.50.110, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145)
11	Extortion 1 (RCW 9A.56.120)
12	Extortionate Extension of Credit (RCW
13	9A.82.020)
14	Extortionate Means to Collect
15	Extensions of Credit (RCW
16	9A.82.040)
17	Incest 2 (RCW 9A.64.020(2))
18	Kidnapping 2 (RCW 9A.40.030)
19	Manufacture or import counterfeit,
20	nonfunctional, damaged, or
21	previously deployed air bag (RCW
22	46.37.650(1)(c))
23	Perjury 1 (RCW 9A.72.020)
24	Persistent prison misbehavior (RCW
25	9.94.070)
26	Possession of a Stolen Firearm (RCW
27	9A.56.310)
28	Rape 3 (RCW 9A.44.060)
29	Rendering Criminal Assistance 1 (RCW
30	9A.76.070)
31	Sell, install, or reinstall counterfeit,
32	nonfunctional, damaged, or
32 33	nonfunctional, damaged, or previously deployed airbag (RCW

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1	Sending, Bringing into State Depictions
2	of Minor Engaged in Sexually
3	Explicit Conduct 2 (RCW
4	9.68A.060(2))
5	Sexual Misconduct with a Minor 1
6	(RCW 9A.44.093)
7	Sexually Violating Human Remains
8	(RCW 9A.44.105)
9	Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110)
10	Taking Motor Vehicle Without
11	Permission 1 (RCW 9A.56.070)
12	IV Arson 2 (RCW 9A.48.030)
13	Assault 2 (RCW 9A.36.021)
14	Assault 3 (of a Peace Officer with a
15	Projectile Stun Gun) (RCW
16	9A.36.031(1)(h))
17	Assault 4 (third domestic violence
18	offense) (RCW 9A.36.041(3))
19	Assault by Watercraft (RCW
20	79A.60.060)
21	Bribing a Witness/Bribe Received by
22	Witness (RCW 9A.72.090,
23	9A.72.100)
24	Cheating 1 (RCW 9.46.1961)
25	Commercial Bribery (RCW 9A.68.060)
26	Counterfeiting (RCW 9.16.035(4))
27	Driving While Under the Influence
28	(RCW 46.61.502(6))
29	Endangerment with a Controlled
30	Substance (RCW 9A.42.100)
31	Escape 1 (RCW 9A.76.110)
32	Hate Crime (RCW 9A.36.080)
33	Hit and Run—Injury (RCW
34	46.52.020(4)(b))

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1	Hit and Run with Vessel—Injury
2	Accident (RCW 79A.60.200(3))
3	Identity Theft 1 (RCW 9.35.020(2))
4	Indecent Exposure to Person Under Age
5	Fourteen (subsequent sex offense)
6	(RCW 9A.88.010)
7	Influencing Outcome of Sporting Event
8	(RCW 9A.82.070)
9	Physical Control of a Vehicle While
10	Under the Influence (RCW
11	46.61.504(6))
12	Possession of Depictions of a Minor
13 14	Engaged in Sexually Explicit
	Conduct 2 (RCW 9.68A.070(2))
15	Residential Burglary (RCW 9A.52.025)
16	Robbery 2 (RCW 9A.56.210)
17	Theft of Livestock 1 (RCW 9A.56.080)
18	Threats to Bomb (RCW 9.61.160)
19	Trafficking in Stolen Property 1 (RCW
20	9A.82.050)
21	Unlawful factoring of a credit card or
22	payment card transaction (RCW
23	9A.56.290(4)(b))
24	Unlawful transaction of health coverage
25	as a health care service contractor
26	(RCW 48.44.016(3))
27	Unlawful transaction of health coverage
28	as a health maintenance
29	organization (RCW 48.46.033(3))
30	Unlawful transaction of insurance
31	business (RCW 48.15.023(3))
32	Unlicensed practice as an insurance
33	professional (RCW 48.17.063(2))
34	Use of Proceeds of Criminal
35 36	Profiteering (RCW 9A.82.080 (1)
20	and (2))

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1		Vehicle Prowling 2 (third or subsequent
2		offense) (RCW 9A.52.100(3))
3		Vehicular Assault, by being under the
4		influence of intoxicating liquor or
5		any drug, or by the operation or
6		driving of a vehicle in a reckless
7		manner (RCW 46.61.522)
8		Viewing of Depictions of a Minor
9		Engaged in Sexually Explicit
10		Conduct 1 (RCW 9.68A.075(1))
11		Willful Failure to Return from Furlough
12		(RCW 72.66.060)
13	III	Animal Cruelty 1 (Sexual Conduct or
14		Contact) (RCW 16.52.205(3))
15		Assault 3 (Except Assault 3 of a Peace
16		Officer With a Projectile Stun Gun)
17		(RCW 9A.36.031 except subsection
18		(1)(h))
19		Assault of a Child 3 (RCW 9A.36.140)
20		Bail Jumping with class B or C Felony
21		(RCW 9A.76.170(3)(c))
22		Burglary 2 (RCW 9A.52.030)
23		Communication with a Minor for
24		Immoral Purposes (RCW
25		9.68A.090)
26		Criminal Gang Intimidation (RCW
27		9A.46.120)
28		Custodial Assault (RCW 9A.36.100)
29		Cyberstalking (subsequent conviction or
30		threat of death) (RCW 9.61.260(3))
31		Escape 2 (RCW 9A.76.120)
32		Extortion 2 (RCW 9A.56.130)
33		False Reporting 2 (RCW
34		9A.84.040(2)(b))
35		Harassment (RCW 9A.46.020)

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1 2	Intimidating a Public Servant (RCW
	9A.76.180)
3	Introducing Contraband 2 (RCW
4	9A.76.150)
5	Malicious Injury to Railroad Property
6	(RCW 81.60.070)
7	Manufacture of Untraceable Firearm
8	with Intent to Sell (RCW 9.41.190)
9	Manufacture or Assembly of an
10	Undetectable Firearm or
11	Untraceable Firearm (RCW
12	9.41.325)
13	Mortgage Fraud (RCW 19.144.080)
14	Negligently Causing Substantial Bodily
15	Harm By Use of a Signal
16	Preemption Device (RCW
17	46.37.674)
18	Organized Retail Theft 1 (RCW
19	9A.56.350(2))
20	Perjury 2 (RCW 9A.72.030)
21	Possession of Incendiary Device (RCW
22	9.40.120)
23	Possession of Machine Gun, Bump-Fire
24	Stock, Undetectable Firearm, or
25	Short-Barreled Shotgun or Rifle
26	(RCW 9.41.190)
27	Promoting Prostitution 2 (RCW
28	9A.88.080)
29	Retail Theft with Special Circumstances
30	1 (RCW 9A.56.360(2))
31	Securities Act violation (RCW
32	21.20.400)
33	Tampering with a Witness (RCW
34	9A.72.120)

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1		Telephone Harassment (subsequent
2		conviction or threat of death) (RCW
3		9.61.230(2))
4		Theft of Livestock 2 (RCW 9A.56.083)
5		Theft with the Intent to Resell 1 (RCW
6		9A.56.340(2))
7		Trafficking in Stolen Property 2 (RCW
8		9A.82.055)
9		Unlawful Hunting of Big Game 1 (RCW
10		77.15.410(3)(b))
11		Unlawful Imprisonment (RCW
12		9A.40.040)
13		Unlawful Misbranding of Fish or
14		Shellfish 1 (RCW 77.140.060(3))
15		Unlawful possession of firearm in the
16		second degree (RCW 9.41.040(2))
17		Unlawful Taking of Endangered Fish or
18		Wildlife 1 (RCW 77.15.120(3)(b))
19		Unlawful Trafficking in Fish, Shellfish,
20		or Wildlife 1 (RCW
21		77.15.260(3)(b))
22		Unlawful Use of a Nondesignated
23		Vessel (RCW 77.15.530(4))
24		Vehicular Assault, by the operation or
25		driving of a vehicle with disregard
26		for the safety of others (RCW
27		46.61.522)
28		Willful Failure to Return from Work
29		Release (RCW 72.65.070)
30	II	Commercial Fishing Without a License
31		1 (RCW 77.15.500(3)(b))
32		Computer Trespass 1 (RCW 9A.90.040)
33		Counterfeiting (RCW 9.16.035(3))
34		Electronic Data Service Interference
35		(RCW 9A.90.060)

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1 2	Electronic Data Tampering 1 (RCW 9A.90.080)
3	Electronic Data Theft (RCW 9A.90.100)
4 5	Engaging in Fish Dealing Activity Unlicensed 1 (RCW 77.15.620(3))
6 7	Escape from Community Custody (RCW 72.09.310)
8 9 10 11	Failure to Register as a Sex Offender (second or subsequent offense) (RCW 9A.44.130 prior to June 10, 2010, and RCW 9A.44.132)
12 13	Health Care False Claims (RCW 48.80.030)
14	Identity Theft 2 (RCW 9.35.020(3))
15 16	Improperly Obtaining Financial Information (RCW 9.35.010)
17	Malicious Mischief 1 (RCW 9A.48.070)
18 19	Organized Retail Theft 2 (RCW 9A.56.350(3))
20 21	Possession of Stolen Property 1 (RCW 9A.56.150)
22 23	Possession of a Stolen Vehicle (RCW 9A.56.068)
2425	Retail Theft with Special Circumstances 2 (RCW 9A.56.360(3))
26272829	Scrap Processing, Recycling, or Supplying Without a License (second or subsequent offense) (RCW 19.290.100)
30	Theft 1 (RCW 9A.56.030)
31 32	Theft of a Motor Vehicle (RCW 9A.56.065)
33	Theft of Rental, Leased, Lease-
34	purchased, or Loaned Property
35	(valued at five thousand dollars or
36	more) (RCW 9A.56.096(5)(a))

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1 2	Theft with the Intent to Resell 2 (RCW 9A.56.340(3))
3	Trafficking in Insurance Claims (RCW
4	48.30A.015)
5	Unlawful factoring of a credit card or
6	payment card transaction (RCW
7	9A.56.290(4)(a))
8	Unlawful Participation of Non-Indians
9	in Indian Fishery (RCW
10	77.15.570(2))
11	Unlawful Practice of Law (RCW
12	2.48.180)
13	Unlawful Purchase or Use of a License
14	(RCW 77.15.650(3)(b))
15	Unlawful Trafficking in Fish, Shellfish,
16	or Wildlife 2 (RCW
17	77.15.260(3)(a))
18	Unlicensed Practice of a Profession or
19	Business (RCW 18.130.190(7))
20	Voyeurism 1 (RCW 9A.44.115)
21 I	Attempting to Elude a Pursuing Police
22	Vehicle (RCW 46.61.024)
23	False Verification for Welfare (RCW
24	74.08.055)
25	Forgery (RCW 9A.60.020)
26	Fraudulent Creation or Revocation of a
27	Mental Health Advance Directive
28	(RCW 9A.60.060)
29	Malicious Mischief 2 (RCW 9A.48.080)
30	Mineral Trespass (RCW 78.44.330)
31	Possession of Stolen Property 2 (RCW
32	9A.56.160)
33	Reckless Burning 1 (RCW 9A.48.040)
34	Spotlighting Big Game 1 (RCW
35	77.15.450(3)(b))

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1	Suspension of Department Privileges 1
	(RCW 77.15.670(3)(b))
3	Taking Motor Vehicle Without
4	Permission 2 (RCW 9A.56.075)
5	Theft 2 (RCW 9A.56.040)
6	Theft from a Vulnerable Adult 2 (RCW
7	9A.56.400(2))
8	Theft of Rental, Leased, Lease-
9	purchased, or Loaned Property
10	(valued at seven hundred fifty
11	dollars or more but less than five
12	thousand dollars) (RCW
13	9A.56.096(5)(b))
14	Transaction of insurance business
15	beyond the scope of licensure
16	(RCW 48.17.063)
17	Unlawful Fish and Shellfish Catch
18	Accounting (RCW 77.15.630(3)(b))
19	Unlawful Issuance of Checks or Drafts
20	(RCW 9A.56.060)
21	Unlawful Possession of Fictitious
22	Identification (RCW 9A.56.320)
23	Unlawful Possession of Instruments of
24	Financial Fraud (RCW 9A.56.320)
25	Unlawful Possession of Payment
26	Instruments (RCW 9A.56.320)
27	Unlawful Possession of a Personal
28	Identification Device (RCW
29	9A.56.320)
30	Unlawful Production of Payment
31	Instruments (RCW 9A.56.320)
32	Unlawful Releasing, Planting,
33	Possessing, or Placing Deleterious
34	Exotic Wildlife (RCW
35	77.15.250(2)(b))

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1	Unlawful Trafficking in Food Stamps
2	(RCW 9.91.142)
3	Unlawful Use of Food Stamps (RCW
4	9.91.144)
5	Unlawful Use of Net to Take Fish 1
6	(RCW 77.15.580(3)(b))
7	Unlawful Use of Prohibited Aquatic
8	Animal Species (RCW
9	77.15.253(3))
LO	Vehicle Prowl 1 (RCW 9A.52.095)
11	Violating Commercial Fishing Area or
12	Time 1 (RCW 77.15.550(3)(b))

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- 13 **Sec. 104.** RCW 9.94A.525 and 2017 c 272 s 3 are each amended to 14 read as follows:
- The offender score is measured on the horizontal axis of the sentencing grid. The offender score rules are as follows:
- The offender score is the sum of points accrued under this section rounded down to the nearest whole number.
 - (1) A prior conviction is a conviction which exists before the date of sentencing for the offense for which the offender score is being computed. Convictions entered or sentenced on the same date as the conviction for which the offender score is being computed shall be deemed "other current offenses" within the meaning of RCW 9.94A.589.
- 25 (2)(a) Class A and sex prior felony convictions shall always be included in the offender score.
 - (b) Class B prior felony convictions other than sex offenses shall not be included in the offender score, if since the last date of release from confinement (including full-time residential treatment) pursuant to a felony conviction, if any, or entry of judgment and sentence, the offender had spent ten consecutive years in the community without committing any crime that subsequently results in a conviction.
- 34 (c) Except as provided in (e) of this subsection, class C prior 35 felony convictions other than sex offenses shall not be included in 36 the offender score if, since the last date of release from 37 confinement (including full-time residential treatment) pursuant to a

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felony conviction, if any, or entry of judgment and sentence, the offender had spent five consecutive years in the community without committing any crime that subsequently results in a conviction.

- (d) Except as provided in (e) of this subsection, serious traffic convictions shall not be included in the offender score if, since the last date of release from confinement (including full-time residential treatment) pursuant to a conviction, if any, or entry of judgment and sentence, the offender spent five years in the community without committing any crime that subsequently results in a conviction.
- (e) If the present conviction is felony driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.502(6)) or felony physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.504(6)), all predicate crimes for the offense as defined by RCW 46.61.5055(14) shall be included in the offender score, and prior convictions for felony driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.502(6)) or felony physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.504(6)) shall always be included in the offender score. All other convictions of the defendant shall be scored according to this section.
- (f) Prior convictions for a repetitive domestic violence offense, as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, shall not be included in the offender score if, since the last date of release from confinement or entry of judgment and sentence, the offender had spent ten consecutive years in the community without committing any crime that subsequently results in a conviction.
- 29 (g) This subsection applies to both adult and juvenile prior 30 convictions.
 - (3) Out-of-state convictions for offenses shall be classified according to the comparable offense definitions and sentences provided by Washington law. Federal convictions for offenses shall be classified according to the comparable offense definitions and sentences provided by Washington law. If there is no clearly comparable offense under Washington law or the offense is one that is usually considered subject to exclusive federal jurisdiction, the offense shall be scored as a class C felony equivalent if it was a felony under the relevant federal statute.

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(4) Score prior convictions for felony anticipatory offenses (attempts, criminal solicitations, and criminal conspiracies) the same as if they were convictions for completed offenses.

- (5)(a) In the case of multiple prior convictions, for the purpose of computing the offender score, count all convictions separately, except:
- (i) Prior offenses which were found, under RCW 9.94A.589(1)(a), to encompass the same criminal conduct, shall be counted as one offense, the offense that yields the highest offender score. The current sentencing court shall determine with respect to other prior adult offenses for which sentences were served concurrently or prior juvenile offenses for which sentences were served consecutively, whether those offenses shall be counted as one offense or as separate offenses using the "same criminal conduct" analysis found in RCW 9.94A.589(1)(a), and if the court finds that they shall be counted as one offense, then the offense that yields the highest offender score shall be used. The current sentencing court may presume that such other prior offenses were not the same criminal conduct from sentences imposed on separate dates, or in separate counties or jurisdictions, or in separate complaints, indictments, or informations;
- (ii) In the case of multiple prior convictions for offenses committed before July 1, 1986, for the purpose of computing the offender score, count all adult convictions served concurrently as one offense, and count all juvenile convictions entered on the same date as one offense. Use the conviction for the offense that yields the highest offender score.
- (b) As used in this subsection (5), "served concurrently" means that: (i) The latter sentence was imposed with specific reference to the former; (ii) the concurrent relationship of the sentences was judicially imposed; and (iii) the concurrent timing of the sentences was not the result of a probation or parole revocation on the former offense.
- (6) If the present conviction is one of the anticipatory offenses of criminal attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy, count each prior conviction as if the present conviction were for a completed offense. When these convictions are used as criminal history, score them the same as a completed crime.
- (7) If the present conviction is for a nonviolent offense and not covered by subsection (11), (12), or (13) of this section, count one

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point for each adult prior felony conviction and one point for each juvenile prior violent felony conviction and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior nonviolent felony conviction.

- (8) If the present conviction is for a violent offense and not covered in subsection (9), (10), (11), (12), or (13) of this section, count two points for each prior adult and juvenile violent felony conviction, one point for each prior adult nonviolent felony conviction, and 1/2 point for each prior juvenile nonviolent felony conviction.
- (9) If the present conviction is for a serious violent offense, count three points for prior adult and juvenile convictions for crimes in this category, two points for each prior adult and juvenile violent conviction (not already counted), one point for each prior adult nonviolent felony conviction, and 1/2 point for each prior juvenile nonviolent felony conviction.
- (10) If the present conviction is for Burglary 1, count prior convictions as in subsection (8) of this section; however count two points for each prior adult Burglary 2 or residential burglary conviction, and one point for each prior juvenile Burglary 2 or residential burglary conviction.
- (11) If the present conviction is for a felony traffic offense count two points for each adult or juvenile prior conviction for Vehicular Homicide or Vehicular Assault; for each felony offense count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction; for each serious traffic offense, other than those used for an enhancement pursuant to RCW 46.61.520(2), count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction; count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction for operation of a vessel while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug.
- (12) If the present conviction is for homicide by watercraft or assault by watercraft count two points for each adult or juvenile prior conviction for homicide by watercraft or assault by watercraft; for each felony offense count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction; count one point for each adult and 1/2 point for each juvenile prior conviction for driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, or operation of a vessel while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug.

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(13) If the present conviction is for manufacture of methamphetamine count three points for each adult prior manufacture of methamphetamine conviction and two points for each juvenile manufacture of methamphetamine offense. If the present conviction is for a drug offense and the offender has a criminal history that includes a sex offense or serious violent offense, count three points for each adult prior felony drug offense conviction and two points for each juvenile drug offense. All other adult and juvenile felonies are scored as in subsection (8) of this section if the current drug offense is violent, or as in subsection (7) of this section if the current drug offense is nonviolent.

- (14) If the present conviction is for Escape from Community Custody, RCW 72.09.310, count only prior escape convictions in the offender score. Count adult prior escape convictions as one point and juvenile prior escape convictions as 1/2 point.
- (15) If the present conviction is for Escape 1, RCW 9A.76.110, or Escape 2, RCW 9A.76.120, count adult prior convictions as one point and juvenile prior convictions as 1/2 point.
- (16) If the present conviction is for Burglary 2 or residential burglary, count priors as in subsection (7) of this section; however, count two points for each adult and juvenile prior Burglary 1 conviction, two points for each adult prior Burglary 2 or residential burglary conviction, and one point for each juvenile prior Burglary 2 or residential burglary conviction.
- (17) If the present conviction is for a sex offense, count priors as in subsections (7) through (11) and (13) through (16) of this section; however count three points for each adult and juvenile prior sex offense conviction.
- (18) If the present conviction is for failure to register as a sex offender under RCW 9A.44.130 or 9A.44.132, count priors as in subsections (7) through (11) and (13) through (16) of this section; however count three points for each adult and juvenile prior sex offense conviction, excluding prior convictions for failure to register as a sex offender under RCW 9A.44.130 or 9A.44.132, which shall count as one point.
- 36 (19) If the present conviction is for an offense committed while 37 the offender was under community custody, add one point. For purposes 38 of this subsection, community custody includes community placement or 39 postrelease supervision, as defined in chapter 9.94B RCW.

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(20) If the present conviction is for Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 1, or Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 2, count priors as in subsections (7) through (18) of this section; however count one point for prior convictions of Vehicle Prowling 2, and three points for each adult and juvenile prior Theft 1 (of a motor vehicle), Theft 2 (of a motor vehicle), Possession of Stolen Property 1 (of a motor vehicle), Possession of Stolen Property 2 (of a motor vehicle), Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 1, or Taking a Motor Vehicle Without Permission 2 conviction.

- (21) If the present conviction is for a felony domestic violence offense where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 was pleaded and proven, count priors as in subsections (7) through (20) of this section; however, count points as follows:
- (a) Count two points for each adult prior conviction where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 was pleaded and proven after August 1, 2011, for any of the following offenses: A felony violation of a no-contact or protection order (section 56 of this act or RCW 26.50.110), felony Harassment (RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b)), felony Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110(5)(b)), Burglary 1 (RCW 9A.52.020), Kidnapping 1 (RCW 9A.40.020), Kidnapping 2 (RCW 9A.40.030), Unlawful imprisonment (RCW 9A.40.040), Robbery 1 (RCW 9A.56.200), Robbery 2 (RCW 9A.56.210), Assault 1 (RCW 9A.36.011), Assault 2 (RCW 9A.36.021), Assault 3 (RCW 9A.36.031), Arson 1 (RCW 9A.48.020), or Arson 2 (RCW 9A.48.030);
- (b) Count two points for each adult prior conviction where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 was pleaded and proven after July 23, 2017, for any of the following offenses: Assault of a child in the first degree, RCW 9A.36.120; Assault of a child in the second degree, RCW 9A.36.130; Assault of a child in the third degree, RCW 9A.36.140; Criminal Mistreatment in the first degree, RCW 9A.42.020; or Criminal Mistreatment in the second degree, RCW 9A.42.030;
- (c) Count one point for each second and subsequent juvenile conviction where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 was pleaded and proven after August 1, 2011, for the offenses listed in (a) of this subsection; and
- 39 (d) Count one point for each adult prior conviction for a 40 repetitive domestic violence offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030,

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where domestic violence as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, was pleaded and proven after August 1, 2011.

- (22) The fact that a prior conviction was not included in an offender's offender score or criminal history at a previous sentencing shall have no bearing on whether it is included in the criminal history or offender score for the current offense. Prior convictions that were not counted in the offender score or included in criminal history under repealed or previous versions of the sentencing reform act shall be included in criminal history and shall count in the offender score if the current version of the sentencing reform act requires including or counting those convictions. Prior convictions that were not included in criminal history or in the offender score shall be included upon any resentencing to ensure imposition of an accurate sentence.
- **Sec. 105.** RCW 9.94A.637 and 2019 c 331 s 2 are each amended to 16 read as follows:
 - (1) When an offender has completed all requirements of the sentence, including any and all legal financial obligations, and while under the custody or supervision of the department, the secretary or the secretary's designee shall notify the sentencing court, which shall discharge the offender and provide the offender with a certificate of discharge by issuing the certificate to the offender in person or by mailing the certificate to the offender's last known address. A certificate of discharge issued under this subsection (1) is effective on the date the offender completed all conditions of his or her sentence.
 - (2) (a) When an offender has reached the end of his or her supervision with the department and has completed all the requirements of the sentence except his or her legal financial obligations, the secretary's designee shall provide the county clerk with a notice that the offender has completed all nonfinancial requirements of the sentence. The notice must list the specific sentence requirements that have been completed, so that it is clear to the sentencing court that the offender is entitled to discharge upon completion of the legal financial obligations of the sentence.
 - (b) When the department has provided the county clerk with notice under (a) of this subsection showing that an offender has completed all the requirements of the sentence and the offender subsequently satisfies all legal financial obligations under the sentence, the

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county clerk shall promptly notify the sentencing court. Upon receipt of the notice under this subsection (2)(b), the court shall discharge the offender and provide the offender with a certificate of discharge. A certificate of discharge issued under this subsection (2) is effective on the date the offender completed all conditions of his or her sentence.

- (3) In the absence of a certificate of discharge issued under subsection (1) or (2) of this section, the offender may file a motion with the sentencing court for a certificate of discharge. The sentencing court shall issue a certificate of discharge upon verification of completion of all sentencing conditions, including any and all legal financial obligations. A certificate of discharge issued under this subsection (3) is effective on the date the offender completed all conditions of his or her sentence.
- (4) In the absence of a certificate of discharge issued under subsection (1), (2), or (3) of this section, the offender may file a motion with the sentencing court for a certificate of discharge and shall provide verification of completion of all nonfinancial conditions of his or her sentence, unless the court finds good cause to waive this requirement. A certificate of discharge issued under this subsection (4) is effective on the later of: (a) Five years after completion of community custody, or if the offender was not required to serve community custody, after the completion of full and partial confinement; or (b) the date any and all legal financial obligations were satisfied.
- (5) The court shall issue a certificate of discharge by issuing the certificate to the offender in person or by mailing the certificate to the offender's last known address.
- (6)(a) A no-contact order is not a requirement of the offender's sentence. An offender who has completed all requirements of the sentence, including any and all legal financial obligations, is eligible for a certificate of discharge even if the offender has an existing no-contact order that excludes or prohibits the offender from having contact with a specified person or entity or coming within a set distance of any specified location.

In the case of an eligible offender who has a no-contact order as part of the judgment and sentence, the offender may petition the sentencing court to issue a certificate of discharge and a separate no-contact order, which must include paying the appropriate filing fee for the separate no-contact order. This filing fee does not apply

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to an offender seeking a certificate of discharge when the offender has a no-contact order separate from the judgment and sentence.

The court shall reissue the no-contact order separately under a new civil cause number for the remaining term and under the same conditions as contained in the judgment and sentence.

- (b) The clerk of the court shall send a copy of the new no-contact order to the individuals or entities protected by the no-contact order, along with an explanation of the reason for the change, if there is an address available in the court file. If no address is available, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order to the prosecutor, who shall send a copy of the no-contact order with an explanation of the reason for the change to the last known address of the protected individuals or entities.
- (c) The clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order on or before the next judicial day. The clerk shall also include a cover sheet that indicates the case number of the judgment and sentence that has been discharged. Upon receipt of the copy of the order and cover sheet, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. The order shall remain in this system until it expires. The new order, and case number of the discharged judgment and sentence, shall be linked in the criminal intelligence information system for purposes of enforcing the no-contact order.
- (d) A separately issued no-contact order may be enforced under chapter ((26.50)) 7.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act).
- (e) A separate no-contact order issued under this subsection (6) is not a modification of the offender's sentence.
- (7) Every signed certificate and order of discharge shall be filed with the county clerk of the sentencing county. In addition, the court shall send to the department a copy of every signed certificate and order of discharge for offender sentences under the authority of the department. The county clerk shall enter into a database maintained by the administrator for the courts the names of all felons who have been issued certificates of discharge, the date of discharge, and the date of conviction and offense.
- (8) An offender who is not convicted of a violent offense or a sex offense and is sentenced to a term involving community

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supervision may be considered for a discharge of sentence by the sentencing court prior to the completion of community supervision, provided that the offender has completed at least one-half of the term of community supervision and has met all other sentence requirements.

- (9) The discharge shall have the effect of restoring all civil rights not already restored by RCW 29A.08.520, and the certificate of discharge shall so state. Nothing in this section prohibits the use of an offender's prior record for purposes of determining sentences for later offenses as provided in this chapter. Nothing in this section affects or prevents use of the offender's prior conviction in a later criminal prosecution either as an element of an offense or for impeachment purposes. A certificate of discharge is not based on a finding of rehabilitation.
- (10) Unless otherwise ordered by the sentencing court, a certificate of discharge shall not terminate the offender's obligation to comply with an order that excludes or prohibits the offender from having contact with a specified person or coming within a set distance of any specified location that was contained in the judgment and sentence. An offender who violates such an order after a certificate of discharge has been issued shall be subject to prosecution according to the chapter under which the order was originally issued.
- (11) Upon release from custody, the offender may apply to the department for counseling and help in adjusting to the community. This voluntary help may be provided for up to one year following the release from custody.
- **Sec. 106.** RCW 9.94A.660 and 2020 c 252 s 1 are each amended to 29 read as follows:
- 30 (1) An offender is eligible for the special drug offender 31 sentencing alternative if:
 - (a) The offender is convicted of a felony that is not a violent offense and the violation does not involve a sentence enhancement under RCW 9.94A.533 (3) or (4);
- 35 (b) The offender is convicted of a felony that is not a felony driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug under RCW 46.61.502(6) or felony physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug under RCW 46.61.504(6);

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(c) The offender has no current or prior convictions for a sex offense for which the offender is currently or may be required to register pursuant to RCW 9A.44.130;

- (d) The offender has no prior convictions in this state, and no prior convictions for an equivalent out-of-state or federal offense, for the following offenses during the following time frames:
- (i) Robbery in the second degree that did not involve the use of a firearm and was not reduced from robbery in the first degree within seven years before conviction of the current offense; or
- (ii) Any other violent offense within ten years before conviction of the current offense;
- (e) For a violation of the uniform controlled substances act under chapter 69.50 RCW or a criminal solicitation to commit such a violation under chapter 9A.28 RCW, the offense involved only a small quantity of the particular controlled substance as determined by the judge upon consideration of such factors as the weight, purity, packaging, sale price, and street value of the controlled substance;
- (f) The offender has not been found by the United States attorney general to be subject to a deportation detainer or order and does not become subject to a deportation order during the period of the sentence; and
- (g) The offender has not received a drug offender sentencing alternative more than once in the prior ten years before the current offense.
- (2) A motion for a special drug offender sentencing alternative may be made by the court, the offender, or the state.
- (3) If the sentencing court determines that the offender is eligible for an alternative sentence under this section and that the alternative sentence is appropriate, the court shall waive imposition of a sentence within the standard sentence range and impose a sentence consisting of either a prison-based alternative under RCW 9.94A.662 or a residential substance use disorder treatment-based alternative under RCW 9.94A.664. The residential substance use disorder treatment-based alternative is only available if the midpoint of the standard range is twenty-six months or less.
- 36 (4)(a) To assist the court in making its determination, the court
 37 may order the department to complete either or both a risk assessment
 38 report and a substance use disorder screening report as provided in
 39 RCW 9.94A.500.

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(b) To assist the court in making its determination in domestic violence cases, the court shall order the department to complete a presentence investigation and a chemical dependency screening report as provided in RCW 9.94A.500, unless otherwise specifically waived by the court.

- (5) If the court is considering imposing a sentence under the residential substance use disorder treatment-based alternative, the court may order an examination of the offender by the department. The examination must be performed by an agency certified by the department of health to provide substance use disorder services. The examination shall, at a minimum, address the following issues:
 - (a) Whether the offender suffers from a substance use disorder;
- (b) Whether the substance use disorder is such that there is a probability that criminal behavior will occur in the future;
- (c) Whether effective treatment for the offender's substance use disorder is available from a provider that has been licensed or certified by the department of health, and where applicable, whether effective domestic violence perpetrator treatment is available from a state-certified domestic violence treatment provider pursuant to ((chapter 26.50)) RCW 26.50.150 (as recodified by this act); and
- 21 (d) Whether the offender and the community will benefit from the 22 use of the alternative.
 - (6) When a court imposes a sentence of community custody under this section:
 - (a) The court may impose conditions as provided in RCW 9.94A.703 and may impose other affirmative conditions as the court considers appropriate. In addition, an offender may be required to pay thirty dollars per month while on community custody to offset the cost of monitoring for alcohol or controlled substances, or in cases of domestic violence for monitoring with global positioning system technology for compliance with a no-contact order.
 - (b) The department may impose conditions and sanctions as authorized in RCW 9.94A.704 and 9.94A.737.
 - (7) (a) The court may bring any offender sentenced under this section back into court at any time on its own initiative to evaluate the offender's progress in treatment or to determine if any violations of the conditions of the sentence have occurred.
- 38 (b) If the offender is brought back to court, the court may 39 modify the conditions of the community custody or impose sanctions 40 under (c) of this subsection.

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(c) The court may order the offender to serve a term of total confinement within the standard range of the offender's current offense at any time during the period of community custody if the offender violates the conditions or requirements of the sentence or if the offender is failing to make satisfactory progress treatment.

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- (d) An offender ordered to serve a term of total confinement under (c) of this subsection shall receive credit for time previously served in total or partial confinement and inpatient treatment under this section, and shall receive fifty percent credit for time previously served in community custody under this section.
- (8) In serving a term of community custody imposed upon failure to complete, or administrative termination from, the special drug offender sentencing alternative program, the offender shall receive no credit for time served in community custody prior to termination of the offender's participation in the program.
- (9) An offender sentenced under this section shall be subject to all rules relating to earned release time with respect to any period served in total confinement.
- (10) The Washington state institute for public policy shall submit a report to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by November 1, 2022, analyzing the effectiveness of the drug offender sentencing alternative in reducing recidivism among various offender populations. An additional report is due November 1, 2028, and every five years thereafter. The Washington state institute for public policy may coordinate with the department and the caseload forecast council in tracking data and preparing the report.
- Sec. 107. RCW 9.94A.662 and 2020 c 252 s 2 are each amended to 28 read as follows: 29
- 30 (1) The court may only order a prison-based special drug offender sentencing alternative if the high end of the standard sentence range 31 for the current offense is greater than one year. 32
 - A sentence for a prison-based special drug offender sentencing alternative shall include:
- 35 (a) A period of total confinement in a state facility for onehalf the midpoint of the standard sentence range or twelve months, 36 37 whichever is greater;
- (b) One-half the midpoint of the standard sentence range as a term of community custody, which must include appropriate substance 39

p. 193 HB 1320 use disorder treatment in a program that has been approved by the department of health, and for co-occurring drug and domestic violence cases, must also include an appropriate domestic violence treatment program by a state-certified domestic violence treatment provider pursuant to ((chapter 26.50)) RCW 26.50.150 (as recodified by this act);

(c) Crime-related prohibitions, including a condition not to use illegal controlled substances;

- (d) A requirement to submit to urinalysis or other testing to monitor that status; and
 - (e) A term of community custody pursuant to RCW 9.94A.701 to be imposed upon the failure to complete or administrative termination from the special drug offender sentencing alternative program.
 - (3) (a) During incarceration in the state facility, offenders sentenced under this section shall undergo a comprehensive substance use disorder assessment and receive, within available resources, treatment services appropriate for the offender. The substance use disorder treatment services shall be licensed by the department of health.
 - (b) When applicable for cases involving domestic violence, domestic violence treatment must be provided by a state-certified domestic violence treatment provider pursuant to ((chapter 26.50)) RCW 26.50.150 (as recodified by this act) during the term of community custody.
 - (4) If the department finds that conditions of community custody have been willfully violated, the offender may be reclassified to serve the remaining balance of the original sentence. An offender who fails to complete the program or who is administratively terminated from the program shall be reclassified to serve the unexpired term of his or her sentence as ordered by the sentencing court.
 - (5) If an offender sentenced to the prison-based alternative under this section is found by the United States attorney general to be subject to a deportation order, a hearing shall be held by the department unless waived by the offender, and, if the department finds that the offender is subject to a valid deportation order, the department may administratively terminate the offender from the program and reclassify the offender to serve the remaining balance of the original sentence.

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Sec. 108. RCW 9.94A.703 and 2018 c 201 s 9004 are each amended to read as follows:

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When a court sentences a person to a term of community custody, the court shall impose conditions of community custody as provided in this section.

- 6 (1) **Mandatory conditions.** As part of any term of community 7 custody, the court shall:
- 8 (a) Require the offender to inform the department of court-9 ordered treatment upon request by the department;
- 10 (b) Require the offender to comply with any conditions imposed by 11 the department under RCW 9.94A.704;
 - (c) If the offender was sentenced under RCW 9.94A.507 for an offense listed in RCW 9.94A.507(1)(a), and the victim of the offense was under eighteen years of age at the time of the offense, prohibit the offender from residing in a community protection zone;
- (d) If the offender was sentenced under RCW 9A.36.120, prohibit the offender from serving in any paid or volunteer capacity where he or she has control or supervision of minors under the age of thirteen.
- 20 (2) Waivable conditions. Unless waived by the court, as part of 21 any term of community custody, the court shall order an offender to:
- 22 (a) Report to and be available for contact with the assigned 23 community corrections officer as directed;
- 24 (b) Work at department-approved education, employment, or 25 community restitution, or any combination thereof;
 - (c) Refrain from possessing or consuming controlled substances except pursuant to lawfully issued prescriptions;
 - (d) Pay supervision fees as determined by the department; and
- 29 (e) Obtain prior approval of the department for the offender's 30 residence location and living arrangements.
- 31 (3) **Discretionary conditions.** As part of any term of community 32 custody, the court may order an offender to:
- 33 (a) Remain within, or outside of, a specified geographical 34 boundary;
- 35 (b) Refrain from direct or indirect contact with the victim of 36 the crime or a specified class of individuals;
- 37 (c) Participate in crime-related treatment or counseling 38 services;
- 39 (d) Participate in rehabilitative programs or otherwise perform 40 affirmative conduct reasonably related to the circumstances of the

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offense, the offender's risk of reoffending, or the safety of the community;

- (e) Refrain from possessing or consuming alcohol; or
- (f) Comply with any crime-related prohibitions.
- (4) Special conditions.

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- (a) In sentencing an offender convicted of a crime of domestic violence, as defined in RCW 10.99.020, if the offender has a minor child, or if the victim of the offense for which the offender was convicted has a minor child, the court may order the offender to participate in a domestic violence perpetrator program approved under RCW 26.50.150 (as recodified by this act).
- (b) (i) In sentencing an offender convicted of an alcohol or drugrelated traffic offense, the court shall require the offender to complete a diagnostic evaluation by a substance use disorder treatment program approved by the department of social and health services or a qualified probation department, defined under RCW 46.61.516, that has been approved by the department of social and health services. If the offense was pursuant to chapter 46.61 RCW, the report shall be forwarded to the department of licensing. If the offender is found to have an alcohol or drug problem that requires treatment, the offender shall complete treatment in an approved substance use disorder treatment program as defined in chapter 71.24 RCW. If the offender is found not to have an alcohol or drug problem that requires treatment, the offender shall complete a course in an alcohol and drug information school licensed or certified by the department of health under chapter 70.96A RCW. The offender shall pay all costs for any evaluation, education, or treatment required by this section, unless the offender is eligible for an existing program offered or approved by the department of social and health services.
- (ii) For purposes of this section, "alcohol or drug-related traffic offense" means the following: Driving while under the influence as defined by RCW 46.61.502, actual physical control while under the influence as defined by RCW 46.61.504, vehicular homicide as defined by RCW 46.61.520(1)(a), vehicular assault as defined by RCW 46.61.522(1)(b), homicide by watercraft as defined by RCW 79A.60.060.
- 37 (iii) This subsection (4)(b) does not require the department of 38 social and health services to add new treatment or assessment 39 facilities nor affect its use of existing programs and facilities 40 authorized by law.

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Sec. 109. RCW 9.96.060 and 2020 c 29 s 18 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) When vacating a conviction under this section, the court effectuates the vacation by: (a)(i) Permitting the applicant to withdraw the applicant's plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty; or (ii) if the applicant has been convicted after a plea of not guilty, the court setting aside the verdict of guilty; and (b) the court dismissing the information, indictment, complaint, or citation against the applicant and vacating the judgment and sentence.
- (2) Every person convicted of a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor offense may apply to the sentencing court for a vacation of the applicant's record of conviction for the offense. If the court finds the applicant meets the requirements of this subsection, the court may in its discretion vacate the record of conviction. Except as provided in subsections (3), (4), and (5) of this section, an applicant may not have the record of conviction for a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor offense vacated if any one of the following is present:
- 20 (a) The applicant has not completed all of the terms of the 21 sentence for the offense;
 - (b) There are any criminal charges against the applicant pending in any court of this state or another state, or in any federal or tribal court, at the time of application;
 - (c) The offense was a violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 or an attempt to commit a violent offense;
 - (d) The offense was a violation of RCW 46.61.502 (driving while under the influence), 46.61.504 (actual physical control while under the influence), 9.91.020 (operating a railroad, etc. while intoxicated), or the offense is considered a "prior offense" under RCW 46.61.5055 and the applicant has had a subsequent alcohol or drug violation within ten years of the date of arrest for the prior offense or less than ten years has elapsed since the date of the arrest for the prior offense;
- 35 (e) The offense was any misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor violation, including attempt, of chapter 9.68 RCW (obscenity and pornography), chapter 9.68A RCW (sexual exploitation of children), or chapter 9A.44 RCW (sex offenses), except for failure to register as a sex offender under RCW 9A.44.132;

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(f) The applicant was convicted of a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor offense as defined in RCW 10.99.020, or the court determines after a review of the court file that the offense was committed by one family or household member against another or by one intimate partner against another, or the court, after considering the damage to person or property that resulted in the conviction, any prior convictions for crimes defined in RCW 10.99.020, or for comparable offenses in another state or in federal court, and the totality of the records under review by the court regarding the conviction being considered for vacation, determines that the offense involved domestic violence, and any one of the following factors exist:

- (i) The applicant has not provided written notification of the vacation petition to the prosecuting attorney's office that prosecuted the offense for which vacation is sought, or has not provided that notification to the court;
- (ii) The applicant has two or more domestic violence convictions stemming from different incidents. For purposes of this subsection, however, if the current application is for more than one conviction that arose out of a single incident, none of those convictions counts as a previous conviction;
- (iii) The applicant has signed an affidavit under penalty of perjury affirming that the applicant has not previously had a conviction for a domestic violence offense, and a criminal history check reveals that the applicant has had such a conviction; or
- (iv) Less than five years have elapsed since the person completed the terms of the original conditions of the sentence, including any financial obligations and successful completion of any treatment ordered as a condition of sentencing;
- (g) For any offense other than those described in (f) of this subsection, less than three years have passed since the person completed the terms of the sentence, including any financial obligations;
- (h) The offender has been convicted of a new crime in this state, another state, or federal or tribal court in the three years prior to the vacation application; or
- (i) The applicant is currently restrained by a domestic violence protection order, a no-contact order, an antiharassment order, or a civil restraining order which restrains one party from contacting the other party or was previously restrained by such an order and was

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found to have committed one or more violations of the order in the five years prior to the vacation application.

- (3) Subject to RCW 9.96.070, every person convicted of prostitution under RCW 9A.88.030 who committed the offense as a result of being a victim of trafficking, RCW 9A.40.100, promoting prostitution in the first degree, RCW 9A.88.070, promoting commercial sexual abuse of a minor, RCW 9.68A.101, or trafficking in persons under the trafficking victims protection act of 2000, 22 U.S.C. Sec. 7101 et seq. may apply to the sentencing court for vacation of the applicant's record of conviction for the prostitution offense. An applicant may not have the record of conviction for prostitution vacated if any one of the following is present:
- (a) There are any criminal charges against the applicant pending in any court of this state or another state, or in any federal court, for any crime other than prostitution; or
- (b) The offender has been convicted of another crime, except prostitution, in this state, another state, or federal court since the date of conviction. The limitation in this subsection (3) (b) does not apply to convictions where the offender proves by a preponderance of the evidence that he or she committed the crime as a result of being a victim of trafficking, RCW 9A.40.100, promoting prostitution in the first degree, RCW 9A.88.070, promoting commercial sexual abuse of a minor, RCW 9.68A.101, or trafficking in persons under the trafficking victims protection act of 2000, 22 U.S.C. Sec. 7101 et seq., according to the requirements provided in RCW 9.96.070 for each respective conviction.
- (4) Every person convicted prior to January 1, 1975, of violating any statute or rule regarding the regulation of fishing activities, including, but not limited to, RCW 75.08.260, 75.12.060, 75.12.070, 75.12.160, 77.16.020, 77.16.030, 77.16.040, 77.16.060, and 77.16.240 who claimed to be exercising a treaty Indian fishing right, may apply to the sentencing court for vacation of the applicant's record of the misdemeanor, gross misdemeanor, or felony conviction for the offense. If the person is deceased, a member of the person's family or an official representative of the tribe of which the person was a member may apply to the court on behalf of the deceased person. Notwithstanding the requirements of RCW 9.94A.640, the court shall vacate the record of conviction if:
 - (a) The applicant is a member of a tribe that may exercise treaty Indian fishing rights at the location where the offense occurred; and

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(b) The state has been enjoined from taking enforcement action of the statute or rule to the extent that it interferes with a treaty Indian fishing right as determined under *United States v. Washington*, 384 F. Supp. 312 (W.D. Wash. 1974), or *Sohappy v. Smith*, 302 F. Supp. 899 (D. Oregon 1969), and any posttrial orders of those courts, or any other state supreme court or federal court decision.

- (5) Every person convicted of a misdemeanor marijuana offense, who was twenty-one years of age or older at the time of the offense, may apply to the sentencing court for a vacation of the applicant's record of conviction for the offense. A misdemeanor marijuana offense includes, but is not limited to: Any offense under RCW 69.50.4014, from July 1, 2004, onward, and its predecessor statutes, including RCW 69.50.401(e), from March 21, 1979, to July 1, 2004, and RCW 69.50.401(d), from May 21, 1971, to March 21, 1979, and any offense under an equivalent municipal ordinance. If an applicant qualifies under this subsection, the court shall vacate the record of conviction.
- (6) (a) Except as provided in (c) of this subsection, once the court vacates a record of conviction under this section, the person shall be released from all penalties and disabilities resulting from the offense and the fact that the person has been convicted of the offense shall not be included in the person's criminal history for purposes of determining a sentence in any subsequent conviction. For all purposes, including responding to questions on employment or housing applications, a person whose conviction has been vacated under this section may state that he or she has never been convicted of that crime. However, nothing in this section affects the requirements for restoring a right to possess a firearm under RCW 9.41.040. Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, nothing in this section affects or prevents the use of an offender's prior conviction in a later criminal prosecution.
- (b) When a court vacates a record of domestic violence as defined in RCW 10.99.020 under this section, the state may not use the vacated conviction in a later criminal prosecution unless the conviction was for: (i) Violating the provisions of a restraining order, no-contact order, or protection order restraining or enjoining the person or restraining the person from going on to the grounds of or entering a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected

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- 1 party's person, or a protected party's vehicle (RCW 10.99.040,
- 2 10.99.050, 26.09.300, 26.10.220, 26.26B.050, 26.44.063, 26.44.150,
- 3 26.50.060, 26.50.070, 26.50.130, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145); ((or))
- 4 (ii) stalking (RCW 9A.46.110); or (iii) a domestic violence
- 5 protection order or vulnerable adult protection order entered under
- 6 chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this
- 7 act). A vacated conviction under this section is not considered a
- 8 conviction of such an offense for the purposes of 27 C.F.R. 478.11.
- 9 (c) A conviction vacated on or after July 28, 2019, qualifies as 10 a prior conviction for the purpose of charging a present recidivist 11 offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 occurring on or after July 28,
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- (7) The clerk of the court in which the vacation order is entered 13 14 shall immediately transmit the order vacating the conviction to the Washington state patrol identification section and to the local 15 16 police agency, if any, which holds criminal history information for 17 the person who is the subject of the conviction. The Washington state patrol and any such local police agency shall immediately update 18 19 their records to reflect the vacation of the conviction, and shall transmit the order vacating the conviction to the federal bureau of 20 21 investigation. A conviction that has been vacated under this section 22 may not be disseminated or disclosed by the state patrol or local law 23 enforcement agency to any person, except other criminal justice 24 enforcement agencies.
- 25 **Sec. 110.** RCW 9A.36.041 and 2020 c 29 s 7 are each amended to 26 read as follows:
 - (1) A person is guilty of assault in the fourth degree if, under circumstances not amounting to assault in the first, second, or third degree, or custodial assault, he or she assaults another.
- 30 (2) Assault in the fourth degree is a gross misdemeanor, except 31 as provided in subsection (3) of this section.
- 32 (3) (a) Assault in the fourth degree occurring after July 23, 2017, and before March 18, 2020, where domestic violence is pleaded and proven, is a class C felony if the person has two or more prior adult convictions within ten years for any of the following offenses occurring after July 23, 2017, where domestic violence was pleaded and proven:
- 38 (i) Repetitive domestic violence offense as defined in RCW 39 9.94A.030;

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- 1 (ii) Crime of harassment as defined by RCW 9A.46.060;
- 2 (iii) Assault in the third degree;
- 3 (iv) Assault in the second degree;

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- (v) Assault in the first degree; or
- 5 (vi) A municipal, tribal, federal, or out-of-state offense 6 comparable to any offense under (a)(i) through (v) of this 7 subsection.

For purposes of this subsection (3)(a), "family or household 8 members" for purposes of the definition of "domestic violence" means 9 spouses, domestic partners, former spouses, former domestic partners, 10 11 persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they have 12 been married or have lived together at any time, persons sixteen years of age or older who are presently residing together or who have 13 14 resided together in the past and who have or have had a dating relationship, and persons sixteen years of age or older with whom a 15 16 person sixteen years of age or older has or has had a dating 17 relationship. "Family or household member" also includes an "intimate partner" as defined in RCW ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020. 18

- (b) Assault in the fourth degree occurring on or after March 18, 2020, where domestic violence against an "intimate partner" as defined in RCW ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020 is pleaded and proven, is a class C felony if the person has two or more prior adult convictions within ten years for any of the following offenses occurring after July 23, 2017, where domestic violence against an "intimate partner" as defined in RCW ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020 or domestic violence against a "family or household member" as defined in (a) of this subsection was pleaded and proven:
- 28 (i) Repetitive domestic violence offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
 - (ii) Crime of harassment as defined by RCW 9A.46.060;
 - (iii) Assault in the third degree;
 - (iv) Assault in the second degree;
- 33 (v) Assault in the first degree; or
- (vi) A municipal, tribal, federal, or out-of-state offense comparable to any offense under (b)(i) through (v) of this subsection.
- 37 **Sec. 111.** RCW 9A.40.104 and 2017 c 230 s 3 are each amended to 38 read as follows:

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(1) Because of the likelihood of repeated harassment and intimidation directed at those who have been victims of trafficking as described in RCW 9A.40.100, before any defendant charged with or arrested, for a crime involving trafficking, is released from custody, or at any time the case remains unresolved, the court may prohibit that person from having any contact with the victim whether directly or through third parties.

At the initial preliminary appearance, the court shall determine whether to extend any existing prohibition on the defendant's contact with the victim. If there is no outstanding restraining or protective order prohibiting that person from having contact with the victim, the court may issue, by telephone, a no-contact order prohibiting the person charged or arrested from having contact with the victim or from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location. The court may also consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800 or other conditions of pretrial release according to the procedures established by court rule for preliminary appearance or an arraignment.

- (2) At the time of arraignment the court shall determine whether a no-contact order shall be issued or extended. So long as the court finds probable cause, the court may issue or extend a no-contact order. The no-contact order shall terminate if the defendant is acquitted or the charges are dismissed.
- (3) (a) Willful violation of a court order issued under this section is punishable under ((RCW 26.50.110)) section 56 of this act.
- (b) The written order shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and the violator is subject to arrest; any assault, drive-by shooting, or reckless endangerment that is a violation of this order is a felony.
- (4) Upon a motion with notice to all parties and after a hearing, the court may terminate or modify the terms of an existing no-contact order, including terms entered pursuant to RCW 9.41.800 related to firearms or other dangerous weapons or to concealed pistol licenses.
- (5)(a) A defendant's motion to terminate or modify a no-contact order must include a declaration setting forth facts supporting the requested order for termination or modification. The court shall deny the motion unless it finds that adequate cause for hearing the motion is established by the declarations. If the court finds that the

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defendant established adequate cause, the court shall set a date for hearing the defendant's motion.

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- (b) The court may terminate or modify the terms of a no-contact order, including terms entered pursuant to RCW 9.41.800 related to firearms or other dangerous weapons or to concealed pistol licenses, if the defendant proves by a preponderance of the evidence that there has been a material change in circumstances such that the defendant is not likely to engage in or attempt to engage in physical or nonphysical contact with the victim if the order is terminated or modified. The victim bears no burden of proving that he or she has a current reasonable fear of harm by the defendant.
- (c) A defendant may file a motion to terminate or modify pursuant to this section no more than once in every twelve-month period that the order is in effect, starting from the date of the order and continuing through any renewal.
- Whenever a no-contact order is issued, modified, terminated under this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from the computer-based criminal intelligence information system.
- Sec. 112. RCW 9A.46.040 and 2013 c 84 s 27 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) Because of the likelihood of repeated harassment directed at those who have been victims of harassment in the past, when any defendant charged with a crime involving harassment is released from custody before trial on bail or personal recognizance, the court authorizing the release may issue an order pursuant to this chapter and require that the defendant:

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- 1 (a) Stay away from the home, school, business, or place of 2 employment of the victim or victims of the alleged offense or other 3 location, as shall be specifically named by the court in the order;
 - (b) Refrain from contacting, intimidating, threatening, or otherwise interfering with the victim or victims of the alleged offense and such other persons, including but not limited to members of the family or household of the victim, as shall be specifically named by the court in the order.
 - (2) Willful violation of a court order issued under this section or an equivalent local ordinance is a gross misdemeanor. The written order releasing the defendant shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: Violation of this order is a criminal offense under this chapter ((9A.46 RCW)). A certified copy of the order shall be provided to the victim by the clerk of the court.
- 15 (3) If the defendant is charged with the crime of stalking or any other stalking-related offense under RCW 9A.46.060, and the court issues an order protecting the victim, the court shall issue a stalking no-contact order pursuant to ((chapter 7.92)) RCW 7.92.160 (as recodified by this act).
- 20 **Sec. 113.** RCW 9A.46.060 and 2019 c 271 s 8 are each amended to 21 read as follows:

As used in this chapter, "harassment" may include but is not limited to any of the following crimes:

(1) Harassment (RCW 9A.46.020);

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- (2) Hate crime (RCW 9A.36.080);
- (3) Telephone harassment (RCW 9.61.230);
- (4) Assault in the first degree (RCW 9A.36.011);
- 28 (5) Assault of a child in the first degree (RCW 9A.36.120);
 - (6) Assault in the second degree (RCW 9A.36.021);
- 30 (7) Assault of a child in the second degree (RCW 9A.36.130);
 - (8) Assault in the fourth degree (RCW 9A.36.041);
 - (9) Reckless endangerment (RCW 9A.36.050);
 - (10) Extortion in the first degree (RCW 9A.56.120);
- 34 (11) Extortion in the second degree (RCW 9A.56.130);
- 35 (12) Coercion (RCW 9A.36.070);
- 36 (13) Burglary in the first degree (RCW 9A.52.020);
- 37 (14) Burglary in the second degree (RCW 9A.52.030);
- 38 (15) Criminal trespass in the first degree (RCW 9A.52.070);
- 39 (16) Criminal trespass in the second degree (RCW 9A.52.080);

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1 (17) Malicious mischief in the first degree (RCW 9A.48.070);
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- (18) Malicious mischief in the second degree (RCW 9A.48.080);
- 3 (19) Malicious mischief in the third degree (RCW 9A.48.090);
 - (20) Kidnapping in the first degree (RCW 9A.40.020);
- 5 (21) Kidnapping in the second degree (RCW 9A.40.030);
- 6 (22) Unlawful imprisonment (RCW 9A.40.040);
- 7 (23) Rape in the first degree (RCW 9A.44.040);
- 8 (24) Rape in the second degree (RCW 9A.44.050);
- 9 (25) Rape in the third degree (RCW 9A.44.060);
- 10 (26) Indecent liberties (RCW 9A.44.100);
- 11 (27) Rape of a child in the first degree (RCW 9A.44.073);
- 12 (28) Rape of a child in the second degree (RCW 9A.44.076);
- 13 (29) Rape of a child in the third degree (RCW 9A.44.079);
- 14 (30) Child molestation in the first degree (RCW 9A.44.083);
- 15 (31) Child molestation in the second degree (RCW 9A.44.086);
- 16 (32) Child molestation in the third degree (RCW 9A.44.089);
- 17 (33) Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110);
- 18 (34) Cyberstalking (RCW 9.61.260);
- 19 (35) Residential burglary (RCW 9A.52.025);
- 20 (36) Violation of a temporary, permanent, or final protective 21 order issued pursuant to chapter 7.90, 9A.44, 9A.46, 10.14, 10.99,
- 22 26.09, or 26.50 RCW, or violation of a domestic violence protection
- 23 order, sexual assault protection order, or antiharassment protection
- 24 order issued under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in
- 25 section 81 of this act);
- 26 (37) Unlawful discharge of a laser in the first degree (RCW
- 27 9A.49.020); and
- 28 (38) Unlawful discharge of a laser in the second degree (RCW
- 29 9A.49.030).

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- 30 **Sec. 114.** RCW 9A.46.085 and 2013 c 84 s 28 are each amended to 31 read as follows:
- 32 (1) A defendant arrested for stalking as defined by RCW 9A.46.110 33 shall be required to appear in person before a magistrate within one 34 judicial day after the arrest.
- 35 (2) At the time of appearance provided in subsection (1) of this section the court shall determine the necessity of imposing a stalking no-contact order under this chapter ((7.92 RCW)).
- 38 (3) Appearances required pursuant to this section are mandatory 39 and cannot be waived.

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- 1 (4) The stalking no-contact order shall be issued and entered 2 with the appropriate law enforcement agency pursuant to the 3 procedures outlined in this chapter ((7.92 RCW)).
- **Sec. 115.** RCW 9A.46.110 and 2013 c 84 s 29 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) A person commits the crime of stalking if, without lawful authority and under circumstances not amounting to a felony attempt of another crime:
- 9 (a) He or she intentionally and repeatedly harasses or repeatedly 10 follows another person; and
 - (b) The person being harassed or followed is placed in fear that the stalker intends to injure the person, another person, or property of the person or of another person. The feeling of fear must be one that a reasonable person in the same situation would experience under all the circumstances; and
 - (c) The stalker either:

- (i) Intends to frighten, intimidate, or harass the person; or
- (ii) Knows or reasonably should know that the person is afraid, intimidated, or harassed even if the stalker did not intend to place the person in fear or intimidate or harass the person.
- (2)(a) It is not a defense to the crime of stalking under subsection (1)(c)(i) of this section that the stalker was not given actual notice that the person did not want the stalker to contact or follow the person; and
- (b) It is not a defense to the crime of stalking under subsection (1)(c)(ii) of this section that the stalker did not intend to frighten, intimidate, or harass the person.
- (3) It shall be a defense to the crime of stalking that the defendant is a licensed private investigator acting within the capacity of his or her license as provided by chapter 18.165 RCW.
- (4) Attempts to contact or follow the person after being given actual notice that the person does not want to be contacted or followed constitutes prima facie evidence that the stalker intends to intimidate or harass the person. "Contact" includes, in addition to any other form of contact or communication, the sending of an electronic communication to the person.
- 37 (5)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, a person who stalks another person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

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- (b) A person who stalks another is guilty of a class B felony if any of the following applies: (i) The stalker has previously been convicted in this state or any other state of any crime harassment, as defined in RCW 9A.46.060, of the same victim or members of the victim's family or household or any person specifically named in a protective order; (ii) the stalking violates any protective order protecting the person being stalked; (iii) the stalker has previously been convicted of a gross misdemeanor or felony stalking offense under this section for stalking another person; (iv) the stalker was armed with a deadly weapon, as defined in RCW 9.94A.825, while stalking the person; (v)(A) the stalker's victim is or was a law enforcement officer; judge; juror; attorney; victim advocate; legislator; community corrections' officer; an employee, contract staff person, or volunteer of a correctional agency; court employee, court clerk, or courthouse facilitator; or an employee of the child protective, child welfare, or adult protective services division within the department of social services; and (B) the stalker stalked the victim to retaliate against the victim for an act the victim performed during the course of official duties or to influence the victim's performance of official duties; or (vi) the stalker's victim is a current, former, or prospective witness in an adjudicative proceeding, and the stalker stalked the victim to retaliate against the victim as a result of the victim's testimony or potential testimony.
 - (6) As used in this section:

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- (a) "Correctional agency" means a person working for the department of natural resources in a correctional setting or any state, county, or municipally operated agency with the authority to direct the release of a person serving a sentence or term of confinement and includes but is not limited to the department of corrections, the indeterminate sentence review board, and the department of social and health services.
- (b) "Course of conduct" means a pattern of conduct composed of a series of acts over a period of time, however short, evidencing a continuity of purpose. "Course of conduct" includes, in addition to any other form of communication, contact, or conduct, the sending of an electronic communication, but does not include constitutionally protected free speech. Constitutionally protected activity is not included within the meaning of "course of conduct."

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(c) "Follows" means deliberately maintaining visual or physical proximity to a specific person over a period of time. A finding that the alleged stalker repeatedly and deliberately appears at the person's home, school, place of employment, business, or any other location to maintain visual or physical proximity to the person is sufficient to find that the alleged stalker follows the person. It is not necessary to establish that the alleged stalker follows the person while in transit from one location to another.

- (((c))) (d) "Harasses" means ((unlawful harassment as defined in RCW 10.14.020)) a knowing and willful course of conduct directed at a specific person which seriously alarms, annoys, harasses, or is detrimental to such person, and which serves no legitimate or lawful purpose. The course of conduct shall be such as would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress, and shall actually cause substantial emotional distress to the petitioner, or when the course of conduct would cause a reasonable parent to fear for the well-being of his or her child.
- 18 (((d))) <u>(e)</u> "Protective order" means any temporary or permanent 19 court order prohibiting or limiting violence against, harassment of, 20 contact or communication with, or physical proximity to another 21 person.
 - $((\frac{e}{e}))$ <u>(f)</u> "Repeatedly" means on two or more separate occasions.
- **Sec. 116.** RCW 9A.88.170 and 2017 c 230 s 7 are each amended to 24 read as follows:
 - (1) Because of the likelihood of repeated harassment and intimidation directed at those who have been victims of promoting prostitution in the first degree under RCW 9A.88.070 or promoting prostitution in the second degree under RCW 9A.88.080, before any defendant charged with or arrested, for a crime involving promoting prostitution is released from custody, or at any time the case remains unresolved, the court may prohibit that person from having any contact with the victim whether directly or through third parties. If there is no outstanding restraining or protective order prohibiting that person from having contact with the victim, the court may issue, by telephone, a no-contact order prohibiting the person charged or arrested from having contact with the victim or from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location. The court may also consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800 or other conditions of pretrial release

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according to the procedures established by court rule for preliminary appearance or an arraignment.

- (2) At the time of arraignment, the court shall determine whether a no-contact order shall be issued or extended. So long as the court finds probable cause, the court may issue or extend a no-contact order. The no-contact order shall terminate if the defendant is acquitted or the charges are dismissed.
- (3) (a) Willful violation of a court order issued under this section is punishable under ((RCW 26.50.110)) section 56 of this act.
- (b) The written order shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and the violator is subject to arrest; any assault, drive-by shooting, or reckless endangerment that is a violation of this order is a felony.
- (4) Upon a motion with notice to all parties and after a hearing, the court may terminate or modify the terms of an existing no-contact order, including terms entered pursuant to RCW 9.41.800 related to firearms or other dangerous weapons or to concealed pistol licenses.
- (5)(a) A defendant's motion to terminate or modify a no-contact order must include a declaration setting forth facts supporting the requested order for termination or modification. The court shall deny the motion unless it finds that adequate cause for hearing the motion is established by the declarations. If the court finds that the defendant established adequate cause, the court shall set a date for hearing the defendant's motion.
- (b) The court may terminate or modify the terms of a no-contact order, including terms entered pursuant to RCW 9.41.800 related to firearms or other dangerous weapons or to concealed pistol licenses, if the defendant proves by a preponderance of the evidence that there has been a material change in circumstances such that the defendant is not likely to engage in or attempt to engage in physical or nonphysical contact with the victim if the order is terminated or modified. The victim bears no burden of proving that he or she has a current reasonable fear of harm by the defendant.
- (c) A defendant may file a motion to terminate or modify pursuant to this section no more than once in every twelve-month period that the order is in effect, starting from the date of the order and continuing through any renewal.

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1 (6) Whenever a no-contact order is issued, modified, or terminated under this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a 2 3 copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon 4 receipt of the copy of the order the law enforcement agency shall 5 6 enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified order into any computer-based criminal intelligence 7 information system available in this state used by law enforcement 8 agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is 11 12 fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated, the law enforcement agency 13 shall remove the order from the computer-based criminal intelligence 14 15 information system.

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- Sec. 117. RCW 9A.88.180 and 2017 c 230 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) If a defendant is found guilty of the crime of promoting prostitution in the first degree under RCW 9A.88.070 or promoting prostitution in the second degree under RCW 9A.88.080, and a condition of the sentence restricts the defendant's ability to have contact with the victim or witnesses, the condition must be recorded and a written certified copy of that order must be provided to the victim or witnesses by the clerk of the court. Willful violation of a court order issued under this section is punishable under ((RCW 26.50.110)) section 56 of this act. The written order must contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and the violator is subject to arrest; any assault, drive-by shooting, or reckless endangerment that is a violation of this order is a felony.
- (2) Whenever a no-contact order is issued under this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into

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- 1 the computer-based criminal intelligence information system
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- 5 the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from the computer-
- 6 based criminal intelligence information system.
- 7 **Sec. 118.** RCW 10.01.240 and 2019 c 263 s 202 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
- 9 Whenever a prosecutor, or the attorney general or assistants 10 acting pursuant to RCW 10.01.190, institutes or conducts a criminal
- 11 proceeding involving domestic violence as defined in RCW 10.99.020,
- 12 the prosecutor, or attorney general or assistants, shall specify
- 13 whether the victim and defendant are intimate partners or family or
- 14 household members within the meaning of (($\frac{RCW}{26.50.010}$)) section 2
- 15 of this act.

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- 16 **Sec. 119.** RCW 10.05.020 and 2019 c 263 s 703 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the petitioner shall allege under oath in the petition that the wrongful conduct charged is the result of or caused by substance use disorders or mental problems or domestic violence behavior problems for which the person is in need of treatment and unless treated the probability of future recurrence is great, along with a statement that the person agrees to pay the cost of a diagnosis and treatment of the alleged problem or problems if financially able to do so. The petition shall also contain a case history and written assessment prepared by an approved substance use disorder treatment program as designated in chapter 71.24 RCW if the petition alleges a substance use disorder, by an approved mental health center if the petition alleges a mental problem, or by a state-certified domestic violence treatment provider pursuant to ((chapter 26.50)) RCW 26.50.150 (as recodified by this act) if the petition alleges a domestic violence behavior problem.
 - (2) In the case of a petitioner charged with a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor under chapter 9A.42 RCW, the petitioner shall allege under oath in the petition that the petitioner is the natural or adoptive parent of the alleged victim; that the wrongful conduct charged is the result of parenting problems for which the petitioner is in need of services; that the petitioner is in need of child

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1 welfare services under chapter 74.13 RCW to improve his or her parenting skills in order to better provide his or her child or 2 children with the basic necessities of life; that the petitioner 3 wants to correct his or her conduct to reduce the likelihood of harm 4 to his or her minor children; that in the absence of child welfare 5 6 services the petitioner may be unable to reduce the likelihood of harm to his or her minor children; and that the petitioner has 7 cooperated with the department of social and health services to 8 develop a plan to receive appropriate child welfare services; along with a statement that the person agrees to pay the cost of the 11 services if he or she is financially able to do so. The petition 12 shall also contain a case history and a written service plan from the department of social and health services. 13

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(3) Before entry of an order deferring prosecution, a petitioner shall be advised of his or her rights as an accused and execute, as a condition of receiving treatment, a statement that contains: (a) An acknowledgment of his or her rights; (b) an acknowledgment and waiver of the right to testify, the right to a speedy trial, the right to call witnesses to testify, the right to present evidence in his or her defense, and the right to a jury trial; (c) a stipulation to the admissibility and sufficiency of the facts contained in the written police report; and (d) an acknowledgment that the statement will be entered and used to support a finding of guilty if the court finds cause to revoke the order granting deferred prosecution. petitioner shall also be advised that he or she may, if he or she proceeds to trial and is found guilty, be allowed to seek suspension of some or all of the fines and incarceration that may be ordered upon the condition that he or she seek treatment and, further, that he or she may seek treatment from public and private agencies at any time without regard to whether or not he or she is found guilty of the offense charged. He or she shall also be advised that the court will not accept a petition for deferred prosecution from a person who: (i) Sincerely believes that he or she is innocent of the charges; (ii) sincerely believes that he or she does not, in fact, suffer from alcoholism, drug addiction, mental problems, or domestic violence behavior problems; or (iii) in the case of a petitioner charged under chapter 9A.42 RCW, sincerely believes that he or she does not need child welfare services.

(4) Before entering an order deferring prosecution, the court shall make specific findings that: (a) The petitioner has stipulated

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to the admissibility and sufficiency of the facts as contained in the 1 written police report; (b) the petitioner has acknowledged the 2 admissibility of the stipulated facts in any criminal hearing on the 3 underlying offense or offenses held subsequent to revocation of the 4 order granting deferred prosecution; (c) the petitioner has 5 6 acknowledged and waived the right to testify, the right to a speedy 7 trial, the right to call witnesses to testify, the right to present evidence in his or her defense, and the right to a jury trial; and 8 (d) the petitioner's statements were made knowingly and voluntarily. 9 Such findings shall be included in the order granting deferred 10 11 prosecution.

12 **Sec. 120.** RCW 10.05.030 and 2019 c 263 s 704 are each amended to 13 read as follows:

The arraigning judge upon consideration of the petition and with the concurrence of the prosecuting attorney may continue the arraignment and refer such person for a diagnostic investigation and evaluation to:

- (1) An approved substance use disorder treatment program as designated in chapter 71.24 RCW if the petition alleges a substance use disorder;
- 21 (2) An approved mental health center if the petition alleges a 22 mental problem;
- 23 (3) The department of social and health services if the petition 24 is brought under RCW 10.05.020(2); or
- 25 (4) An approved state-certified domestic violence treatment 26 provider pursuant to ((chapter 26.50)) RCW 26.50.150 (as recodified 27 by this act) if the petition alleges a domestic violence behavior 28 problem.
- 29 **Sec. 121.** RCW 10.22.010 and 2020 c 29 s 9 are each amended to 30 read as follows:

When a defendant is prosecuted in a criminal action for a misdemeanor, other than a violation of RCW 9A.48.105, for which the person injured by the act constituting the offense has a remedy by a civil action, the offense may be compromised as provided in RCW 10.22.020, except when it was committed:

- 36 (1) By or upon an officer while in the execution of the duties of 37 his or her office;
- 38 (2) Riotously;

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- (3) With an intent to commit a felony; or
- 2 (4) By one family or household member against another or by one
- 3 intimate partner against another as defined in RCW ((26.50.010))
- $4 \quad 10.99.020$ and was a crime of domestic violence as defined in RCW
- 5 10.99.020.

- **Sec. 122.** RCW 10.31.100 and 2020 c 29 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:
 - A police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a felony shall have the authority to arrest the person without a warrant. A police officer may arrest a person without a warrant for committing a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor only when the offense is committed in the presence of an officer, except as provided in subsections (1) through (11) of this section.
 - (1) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor, involving physical harm or threats of harm to any person or property or the unlawful taking of property or involving the use or possession of cannabis, or involving the acquisition, possession, or consumption of alcohol by a person under the age of twenty-one years under RCW 66.44.270, or involving criminal trespass under RCW 9A.52.070 or 9A.52.080, shall have the authority to arrest the person.
 - (2) A police officer shall arrest and take into custody, pending release on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that:
 - (a) ((Am)) A domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order has been issued, of which the person has knowledge, under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), or an order has been issued, of which the person has knowledge, under RCW 26.44.063, or chapter 7.92, 7.90, 9A.40, 9A.46, 9A.88, 10.99, 26.09, 26.10, 26.26A, 26.26B, 26.50, or 74.34 RCW, restraining the person and the person has violated the terms of the order restraining the person from acts or threats of violence, or restraining the person from going onto the grounds of, or entering, a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a

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specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, or, in the case of an order issued under RCW 26.44.063, imposing any other restrictions or conditions upon the person;

- (b) An extreme risk protection order has been issued against the person under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) or RCW 7.94.040, the person has knowledge of the order, and the person has violated the terms of the order prohibiting the person from having in his or her custody or control, purchasing, possessing, accessing, or receiving a firearm or concealed pistol license;
- (c) A foreign protection order, as defined in RCW 26.52.010, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order, as defined in RCW 26.55.010, has been issued of which the person under restraint has knowledge and the person under restraint has violated a provision of the foreign protection order or the Canadian domestic violence protection order prohibiting the person under restraint from contacting or communicating with another person, or excluding the person under restraint from a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, or a violation of any provision for which the foreign protection order or the Canadian domestic violence protection order specifically indicates that a violation will be a crime; or
- (d) The person is eighteen years or older and within the preceding four hours has assaulted a family or household member or intimate partner as defined in RCW ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020 and the officer believes: (i) A felonious assault has occurred; (ii) an assault has occurred which has resulted in bodily injury to the victim, whether the injury is observable by the responding officer or not; or (iii) that any physical action has occurred which was intended to cause another person reasonably to fear imminent serious bodily injury or death. Bodily injury means physical pain, illness, or an impairment of physical condition. When the officer has probable cause to believe that family or household members or intimate partners have assaulted each other, the officer is not required to arrest both persons. The officer shall arrest the person whom the officer believes to be the primary physical aggressor. In making this determination, the officer shall make every reasonable effort to

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- consider: (A) The intent to protect victims of domestic violence under RCW 10.99.010; (B) the comparative extent of injuries inflicted or serious threats creating fear of physical injury; and (C) the history of domestic violence of each person involved, including whether the conduct was part of an ongoing pattern of abuse.
 - (3) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a violation of any of the following traffic laws shall have the authority to arrest the person:
- 9 (a) RCW 46.52.010, relating to duty on striking an unattended car 10 or other property;

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- 11 (b) RCW 46.52.020, relating to duty in case of injury to, or death of, a person or damage to an attended vehicle;
- 13 (c) RCW 46.61.500 or 46.61.530, relating to reckless driving or 14 racing of vehicles;
- 15 (d) RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, relating to persons under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs;
- 17 (e) RCW 46.61.503 or 46.25.110, relating to persons having 18 alcohol or THC in their system;
 - (f) RCW 46.20.342, relating to driving a motor vehicle while operator's license is suspended or revoked;
- 21 (g) RCW 46.61.5249, relating to operating a motor vehicle in a 22 negligent manner.
 - (4) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vehicle accident may arrest the driver of a motor vehicle involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the driver has committed, in connection with the accident, a violation of any traffic law or regulation.
 - (5)(a) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vessel accident may arrest the operator of a motor vessel involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the operator has committed, in connection with the accident, a criminal violation of chapter 79A.60 RCW.
 - (b) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vessel accident may issue a citation for an infraction to the operator of a motor vessel involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the operator has committed, in connection with the accident, a violation of any boating safety law of chapter 79A.60 RCW.

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(6) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a violation of RCW 79A.60.040 shall have the authority to arrest the person.

- (7) An officer may act upon the request of a law enforcement officer, in whose presence a traffic infraction was committed, to stop, detain, arrest, or issue a notice of traffic infraction to the driver who is believed to have committed the infraction. The request by the witnessing officer shall give an officer the authority to take appropriate action under the laws of the state of Washington.
- (8) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing any act of indecent exposure, as defined in RCW 9A.88.010, may arrest the person.
- (9) A police officer may arrest and take into custody, pending release on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that an <u>antiharassment protection</u> order has been issued of which the person has knowledge under chapter 7.--- (the new chapter created in <u>section 81 of this act) or</u> 10.14 RCW and the person has violated the terms of that order.
- (10) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has, within twenty-four hours of the alleged violation, committed a violation of RCW 9A.50.020 may arrest such person.
- (11) A police officer having probable cause to believe that a person illegally possesses or illegally has possessed a firearm or other dangerous weapon on private or public elementary or secondary school premises shall have the authority to arrest the person.

For purposes of this subsection, the term "firearm" has the meaning defined in RCW 9.41.010 and the term "dangerous weapon" has the meaning defined in RCW 9.41.250 and 9.41.280(1) (c) through (e).

- (12) A law enforcement officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed a violation under RCW 77.15.160(5) may issue a citation for an infraction to the person in connection with the violation.
- (13) A law enforcement officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed a criminal violation under RCW 77.15.809 or 77.15.811 may arrest the person in connection with the violation.
- (14) Except as specifically provided in subsections (2), (3), (4), and (7) of this section, nothing in this section extends or otherwise affects the powers of arrest prescribed in Title 46 RCW.

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- (15) No police officer may be held criminally or civilly liable for making an arrest pursuant to subsection (2) or (9) of this section if the police officer acts in good faith and without malice.
- (16) (a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, a police 4 officer shall arrest and keep in custody, until release by a judicial 5 6 officer on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person 7 without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that the person has violated RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504 or an equivalent 8 local ordinance and the police officer: (i) Has knowledge that the 9 person has a prior offense as defined in RCW 46.61.5055 within ten 10 11 years; or (ii) has knowledge, based on a review of the information available to the officer at the time of arrest, that the person is 12 charged with or is awaiting arraignment for an offense that would 13 qualify as a prior offense as defined in RCW 46.61.5055 if it were a 14 15 conviction.
- 16 (b) A police officer is not required to keep in custody a person 17 under (a) of this subsection if the person requires immediate medical 18 attention and is admitted to a hospital.
- 19 **Sec. 123.** RCW 10.66.010 and 2020 c 29 s 11 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter:
 - (1) "Applicant" means any person who owns, occupies, or has a substantial interest in property, or who is a neighbor to property which is adversely affected by drug trafficking, including:
 - (a) A "family or household member" or "intimate partner" as defined ((by RCW 26.50.010)) in section 2 of this act, who has a possessory interest in a residence as an owner or tenant, at least as great as a known drug trafficker's interest;
 - (b) An owner or lessor;

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- 31 (c) An owner, tenant, or resident who lives or works in a 32 designated PADT area; or
- 33 (d) A city or prosecuting attorney for any jurisdiction in this 34 state where drug trafficking is occurring.
- 35 (2) "Drug" or "drugs" means a controlled substance as defined in 36 chapter 69.50 RCW or an "imitation controlled substance" as defined 37 in RCW 69.52.020.
- 38 (3) "Known drug trafficker" means any person who has been 39 convicted of a drug offense in this state, another state, or federal

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court who subsequently has been arrested for a drug offense in this state. For purposes of this definition, "drug offense" means a felony violation of chapter 69.50 or 69.52 RCW or equivalent law in another jurisdiction that involves the manufacture, distribution, or possession with intent to manufacture or distribute of a controlled substance or imitation controlled substance.

- (4) "Off-limits orders" means an order issued by a superior or district court in the state of Washington that enjoins known drug traffickers from entering or remaining in a designated PADT area.
- (5) "Protected against drug trafficking area" or "PADT area" means any specifically described area, public or private, contained in an off-limits order. The perimeters of a PADT area shall be defined using street names and numbers and shall include all real property contained therein, where drug sales, possession of drugs, pedestrian or vehicular traffic attendant to drug activity, or other activity associated with drug offenses confirms a pattern associated with drug trafficking. The area may include the full width of streets, alleys and sidewalks on the perimeter, common areas, planting strips, or parks and parking areas within the area described using the streets as boundaries.
- **Sec. 124.** RCW 10.95.020 and 2020 c 29 s 12 are each amended to 22 read as follows:

A person is guilty of aggravated first degree murder, a class A felony, if he or she commits first degree murder as defined by RCW 9A.32.030(1)(a), as now or hereafter amended, and one or more of the following aggravating circumstances exist:

- (1) The victim was a law enforcement officer, corrections officer, or firefighter who was performing his or her official duties at the time of the act resulting in death and the victim was known or reasonably should have been known by the person to be such at the time of the killing;
- (2) At the time of the act resulting in the death, the person was serving a term of imprisonment, had escaped, or was on authorized or unauthorized leave in or from a state facility or program for the incarceration or treatment of persons adjudicated guilty of crimes;
- (3) At the time of the act resulting in death, the person was in custody in a county or county-city jail as a consequence of having been adjudicated guilty of a felony;

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- 1 (4) The person committed the murder pursuant to an agreement that 2 he or she would receive money or any other thing of value for 3 committing the murder;
 - (5) The person solicited another person to commit the murder and had paid or had agreed to pay money or any other thing of value for committing the murder;
 - (6) The person committed the murder to obtain or maintain his or her membership or to advance his or her position in the hierarchy of an organization, association, or identifiable group;
 - (7) The murder was committed during the course of or as a result of a shooting where the discharge of the firearm, as defined in RCW 9.41.010, is either from a motor vehicle or from the immediate area of a motor vehicle that was used to transport the shooter or the firearm, or both, to the scene of the discharge;
 - (8) The victim was:

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- (a) A judge; juror or former juror; prospective, current, or former witness in an adjudicative proceeding; prosecuting attorney; deputy prosecuting attorney; defense attorney; a member of the indeterminate sentence review board; or a probation or parole officer; and
- (b) The murder was related to the exercise of official duties performed or to be performed by the victim;
 - (9) The person committed the murder to conceal the commission of a crime or to protect or conceal the identity of any person committing a crime, including, but specifically not limited to, any attempt to avoid prosecution as a persistent offender as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
 - (10) There was more than one victim and the murders were part of a common scheme or plan or the result of a single act of the person;
- 30 (11) The murder was committed in the course of, in furtherance 31 of, or in immediate flight from one of the following crimes:
 - (a) Robbery in the first or second degree;
 - (b) Rape in the first or second degree;
- 34 (c) Burglary in the first or second degree or residential 35 burglary;
 - (d) Kidnapping in the first degree; or
- 37 (e) Arson in the first degree;
- 38 (12) The victim was regularly employed or self-employed as a 39 newsreporter and the murder was committed to obstruct or hinder the 40 investigative, research, or reporting activities of the victim;

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- (13) At the time the person committed the murder, there existed a court order, issued in this or any other state, which prohibited the person from either contacting the victim, molesting the victim, or disturbing the peace of the victim, and the person had knowledge of the existence of that order;
- (14) At the time the person committed the murder, the person and the victim were "family or household members" or "intimate partners" as defined in RCW ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020, and the person had previously engaged in a pattern or practice of three or more of the following crimes committed upon the victim within a five-year period, regardless of whether a conviction resulted:
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- 13 (b) Any criminal assault.

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- Sec. 125. RCW 10.99.020 and 2020 c 296 s 5 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 16 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 17 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 18 (1) "Agency" means a general authority Washington law enforcement 19 agency as defined in RCW 10.93.020.
- 20 (2) "Association" means the Washington association of sheriffs 21 and police chiefs.
- 22 (3) "Dating relationship" has the same meaning as in (($\frac{RCW}{23}$) section 2 of this act.
 - (4) "Domestic violence" includes but is not limited to any of the following crimes when committed either by (a) one family or household member against another family or household member, or (b) one intimate partner against another intimate partner:
 - (i) Assault in the first degree (RCW 9A.36.011);
 - (ii) Assault in the second degree (RCW 9A.36.021);
 - (iii) Assault in the third degree (RCW 9A.36.031);
- 31 (iv) Assault in the fourth degree (RCW 9A.36.041);
- 32 (v) Drive-by shooting (RCW 9A.36.045);
- 33 (vi) Reckless endangerment (RCW 9A.36.050);
- 34 (vii) Coercion (RCW 9A.36.070);
- 35 (viii) Burglary in the first degree (RCW 9A.52.020);
- 36 (ix) Burglary in the second degree (RCW 9A.52.030);
- 37 (x) Criminal trespass in the first degree (RCW 9A.52.070);
- 38 (xi) Criminal trespass in the second degree (RCW 9A.52.080);
- 39 (xii) Malicious mischief in the first degree (RCW 9A.48.070);

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        (xiii) Malicious mischief in the second degree (RCW 9A.48.080);
        (xiv) Malicious mischief in the third degree (RCW 9A.48.090);
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        (xv) Kidnapping in the first degree (RCW 9A.40.020);
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        (xvi) Kidnapping in the second degree (RCW 9A.40.030);
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        (xvii) Unlawful imprisonment (RCW 9A.40.040);
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        (xviii) Violation of the provisions of a restraining order, no-
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    26.50.060, 26.50.070, 26.50.130, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145);
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        (xix) Rape in the first degree (RCW 9A.44.040);
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        (xx) Rape in the second degree (RCW 9A.44.050);
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        (xxi) Residential burglary (RCW 9A.52.025);
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        (xxii) Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110); and
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22 (5) "Electronic monitoring" means the same as in RCW 9.94A.030.

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- 23 "Employee" means any person currently employed with an (6) 24 agency.
 - (7) "Family or household members" means ((the same as in RCW 26.50.010)): (a) Adult persons related by blood or marriage; (b) adult persons who are presently residing together or who have resided together in the past; and (c) persons who have a biological or legal parent-child relationship, including stepparents and stepchildren and grandparents and grandchildren.
 - (8) "Intimate partners" means ((the same as in RCW 26.50.010)): (a) Spouses or domestic partners; (b) former spouses or former domestic partners; (c) persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time; (d) adult persons presently or previously residing together who have or have had a dating relationship; (e) persons 16 years of age or older who are presently residing together or who have resided together in the past and who have or have had a dating relationship; or (f) persons 16 years of age or older with whom a person 16 years of age or older has or has had a dating relationship.

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- 1 (9) "Sworn employee" means a general authority Washington peace 2 officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020, any person appointed under RCW 3 35.21.333, and any person appointed or elected to carry out the 4 duties of the sheriff under chapter 36.28 RCW.
- 5 (10) "Victim" means a family or household member or an intimate 6 partner who has been subjected to domestic violence.
- 7 **Sec. 126.** RCW 10.99.040 and 2019 c 367 s 4 are each amended to 8 read as follows:

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- (1) Because of the serious nature of domestic violence, the court in domestic violence actions:
- (a) Shall not dismiss any charge or delay disposition because of concurrent dissolution or other civil proceedings;
- (b) Shall not require proof that either party is seeking a dissolution of marriage prior to instigation of criminal proceedings;
- (c) Shall waive any requirement that the victim's location be disclosed to any person, other than the attorney of a criminal defendant, upon a showing that there is a possibility of further violence: PROVIDED, That the court may order a criminal defense attorney not to disclose to his or her client the victim's location; and
- 21 (d) Shall identify by any reasonable means on docket sheets those 22 criminal actions arising from acts of domestic violence.
 - (2) (a) Because of the likelihood of repeated violence directed at those who have been victims of domestic violence in the past, when any person charged with or arrested for a crime involving domestic violence is released from custody before arraignment or trial on bail or personal recognizance, the court authorizing the release may prohibit that person from having any contact with the victim. The jurisdiction authorizing the release shall determine whether that person should be prohibited from having any contact with the victim. If there is no outstanding restraining or protective order prohibiting that person from having contact with the victim, the court authorizing release may issue, by telephone, a no-contact order prohibiting the person charged or arrested from having contact with the victim or from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location.
- 37 (b) In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions 38 of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the defendant to surrender, and

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prohibit the person from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.

- (c) The no-contact order shall also be issued in writing as soon as possible, and shall state that it may be extended as provided in subsection (3) of this section. By January 1, 2011, the administrative office of the courts shall develop a pattern form for all no-contact orders issued under this chapter. A no-contact order issued under this chapter must substantially comply with the pattern form developed by the administrative office of the courts.
- (3) (a) At the time of arraignment the court shall determine whether a no-contact order shall be issued or extended. So long as the court finds probable cause, the court may issue or extend a no-contact order even if the defendant fails to appear at arraignment. The no-contact order shall terminate if the defendant is acquitted or the charges are dismissed.
- (b) In issuing the order, the court shall consider all information documented in the incident report concerning the person's possession of and access to firearms and whether law enforcement took temporary custody of firearms at the time of the arrest. The court may as a condition of release prohibit the defendant from possessing or accessing firearms and order the defendant to immediately surrender all firearms and any concealed pistol license to a law enforcement agency upon release.
- (c) If a no-contact order is issued or extended, the court may also include in the conditions of release a requirement that the defendant submit to electronic monitoring as defined in RCW 9.94A.030. If electronic monitoring is ordered, the court shall specify who shall provide the monitoring services, and the terms under which the monitoring shall be performed. Upon conviction, the court may require as a condition of the sentence that the defendant reimburse the providing agency for the costs of the electronic monitoring.
- (4) (a) Willful violation of a court order issued under subsection (2), (3), or (7) of this section is punishable under (($\frac{RCW}{26.50.110}$)) section 56 of this act.
- (b) The written order releasing the person charged or arrested shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: "Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and will subject a violator to arrest; any assault, drive-by

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- shooting, or reckless endangerment that is a violation of this order is a felony. You can be arrested even if any person protected by the order invites or allows you to violate the order's prohibitions. You have the sole responsibility to avoid or refrain from violating the order's provisions. Only the court can change the order."
- 6 (c) A certified copy of the order shall be provided to the 7 victim.

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- (5) If a no-contact order has been issued prior to charging, that order shall expire at arraignment or within seventy-two hours if charges are not filed.
- (6) Whenever a no-contact order is issued, modified, terminated under subsection (2) or (3) of this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated under subsection (3) of this section, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from the computer-based criminal intelligence information system.
- (7) All courts shall develop policies and procedures by January 1, 2011, to grant victims a process to modify or rescind a no-contact order issued under this chapter. The administrative office of the courts shall develop a model policy to assist the courts in implementing the requirements of this subsection.
- **Sec. 127.** RCW 10.99.050 and 2019 c 263 s 303 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) When a defendant is found guilty of a crime and a condition of the sentence restricts the defendant's ability to have contact with the victim, such condition shall be recorded and a written certified copy of that order shall be provided to the victim.
- 38 (2)(a) Willful violation of a court order issued under this 39 section is punishable under ((RCW 26.50.110)) section 56 of this act.

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(b) The written order shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and will subject a violator to arrest; any assault, drive-by shooting, or reckless endangerment that is a violation of this order is a felony.

- (c) An order issued pursuant to this section in conjunction with a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor sentence or juvenile disposition remains in effect for a fixed period of time determined by the court, which may not exceed five years from the date of sentencing or disposition.
- (d) An order issued pursuant to this section in conjunction with a felony sentence or juvenile disposition remains in effect for a fixed period of time determined by the court, which may not exceed the adult maximum sentence established in RCW 9A.20.021.
- (3) Whenever an order prohibiting contact is issued pursuant to this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state.
- (4) If an order prohibiting contact issued pursuant to this section is modified or terminated, the clerk of the court shall notify the law enforcement agency specified in the order on or before the next judicial day. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from any computer-based criminal intelligence system.
- **Sec. 128.** RCW 10.99.090 and 2005 c 274 s 209 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) By December 1, 2004, the association shall develop a written model policy on domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by sworn employees of agencies. In developing the policy, the

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association shall convene a work group consisting of representatives from the following entities and professions:

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- (a) Statewide organizations representing state and local enforcement officers;
- (b) A statewide organization providing training and education for agencies having the primary responsibility of serving victims of domestic violence with emergency shelter and other services; and
- 8 (c) Any other organization or profession the association 9 determines to be appropriate.
 - (2) Members of the work group shall serve without compensation.
 - (3) The model policy shall provide due process for employees and, at a minimum, meet the following standards:
 - (a) Provide prehire screening procedures reasonably calculated to disclose whether an applicant for a sworn employee position:
 - (i) Has committed or, based on credible sources, has been accused of committing an act of domestic violence;
 - (ii) Is currently being investigated for an allegation of child abuse or neglect or has previously been investigated for founded allegations of child abuse or neglect; or
 - (iii) Is currently or has previously been subject to any order under RCW 26.44.063, this chapter, chapter 10.14 or 26.50 RCW, or to a domestic violence protection order or antiharassment protection order under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), or any equivalent order issued by another state or tribal court;
 - (b) Provide for the mandatory, immediate response to acts or allegations of domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by a sworn employee of an agency;
 - (c) Provide to a sworn employee, upon the request of the sworn employee or when the sworn employee has been alleged to have committed an act of domestic violence, information on programs under RCW 26.50.150 (as recodified by this act);
 - (d) Provide for the mandatory, immediate reporting by employees when an employee becomes aware of an allegation of domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by a sworn employee of the agency employing the sworn employee;
- 37 (e) Provide procedures to address reporting by an employee who is 38 the victim of domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by a 39 sworn employee of an agency;

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(f) Provide for the mandatory, immediate self-reporting by a sworn employee to his or her employing agency when an agency in any jurisdiction has responded to a domestic violence call in which the sworn employee committed or allegedly committed an act of domestic violence;

- sworn employee to his or her employing agency if the employee is currently being investigated for an allegation of child abuse or neglect or has previously been investigated for founded allegations of child abuse or neglect, or is currently or has previously been subject to any order under RCW 26.44.063, this chapter, chapter 10.14 or 26.50 RCW, or to a domestic violence protection order or antiharassment protection order under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), or any equivalent order issued by another state or tribal court;
- (h) Provide for the performance of prompt separate and impartial administrative and criminal investigations of acts or allegations of domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by a sworn employee of an agency;
- (i) Provide for appropriate action to be taken during an administrative or criminal investigation of acts or allegations of domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by a sworn employee of an agency. The policy shall provide procedures to address, in a manner consistent with applicable law and the agency's ability to maintain public safety within its jurisdiction, whether to relieve the sworn employee of agency-issued weapons and other agency-issued property and whether to suspend the sworn employee's power of arrest or other police powers pending resolution of any investigation;
- (j) Provide for prompt and appropriate discipline or sanctions when, after an agency investigation, it is determined that a sworn employee has committed an act of domestic violence;
- (k) Provide that, when there has been an allegation of domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by a sworn employee, the agency immediately make available to the alleged victim the following information:
- 37 (i) The agency's written policy on domestic violence committed or 38 allegedly committed by sworn employees;

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1 (ii) Information, including but not limited to contact 2 information, about public and private nonprofit domestic violence 3 advocates and services; and

- (iii) Information regarding relevant confidentiality policies related to the victim's information;
- (1) Provide procedures for the timely response, consistent with chapters 42.56 and 10.97 RCW, to an alleged victim's inquiries into the status of the administrative investigation and the procedures the agency will follow in an investigation of domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by a sworn employee;
- (m) Provide procedures requiring an agency to immediately notify the employing agency of a sworn employee when the notifying agency becomes aware of acts or allegations of domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by the sworn employee within the jurisdiction of the notifying agency; and
- (n) Provide procedures for agencies to access and share domestic violence training within their jurisdiction and with other jurisdictions.
- (4) By June 1, 2005, every agency shall adopt and implement a written policy on domestic violence committed or allegedly committed by sworn employees of the agency that meet the minimum standards specified in this section. In lieu of developing its own policy, the agency may adopt the model policy developed by the association under this section. In developing its own policy, or before adopting the model policy, the agency shall consult public and private nonprofit domestic violence advocates and any other organizations and professions the agency finds appropriate.
- (5)(a) Except as provided in this section, not later than June 30, 2006, every sworn employee of an agency shall be trained by the agency on the agency's policy required under this section.
- (b) Sworn employees hired by an agency on or after March 1, 2006, shall, within six months of beginning employment, be trained by the agency on the agency's policy required under this section.
- (6) (a) By June 1, 2005, every agency shall provide a copy of its policy developed under this section to the association and shall provide a statement notifying the association of whether the agency has complied with the training required under this section. The copy and statement shall be provided in electronic format unless the agency is unable to do so. The agency shall provide the association with any revisions to the policy upon adoption.

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(b) The association shall maintain a copy of each agency's policy and shall provide to the governor and legislature not later than January 1, 2006, a list of those agencies that have not developed and submitted policies and those agencies that have not stated their compliance with the training required under this section.

- 6 (c) The association shall, upon request and within its resources, 7 provide technical assistance to agencies in developing their 8 policies.
- **Sec. 129.** RCW 11.92.195 and 2017 c 268 s 1 are each amended to 10 read as follows:
 - (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an incapacitated person retains the right to associate with persons of the incapacitated person's choosing. This right includes, but is not limited to, the right to freely communicate and interact with other persons, whether through in-person visits, telephone calls, electronic communication, personal mail, or other means. If the incapacitated person is unable to express consent for communication, visitation, or interaction with another person, or is otherwise unable to make a decision regarding association with another person, a guardian of the incapacitated person, whether full or limited, must:
 - (a) Personally inform the incapacitated person of the decision under consideration, using plain language, in a manner calculated to maximize the understanding of the incapacitated person;
 - (b) Maximize the incapacitated person's participation in the decision-making process to the greatest extent possible, consistent with the incapacitated person's abilities; and
- 28 (c) Give substantial weight to the incapacitated person's 29 preferences, both expressed and historical.
 - (2) A guardian or limited guardian may not restrict an incapacitated person's right to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with persons of the incapacitated person's choosing, unless:
 - (a) The restriction is specifically authorized by the guardianship court in the court order establishing or modifying the guardianship or limited guardianship under chapter 11.88 RCW;
 - (b) The restriction is pursuant to a protection order issued under chapter ((74.34 RCW, chapter 26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter

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created in section 81 of this act), or other law, that limits contact between the incapacitated person and other persons; or

- (c) (i) The guardian or limited guardian has good cause to believe that there is an immediate need to restrict an incapacitated person's right to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with persons of the incapacitated person's choosing in order to protect the incapacitated person from abuse, neglect, abandonment, or financial exploitation, as those terms are defined in RCW 74.34.020, or to protect the incapacitated person from activities that unnecessarily impose significant distress on the incapacitated person; and
- (ii) Within fourteen calendar days of imposing the restriction under (c)(i) of this subsection, the guardian or limited guardian files a petition for a <u>vulnerable adult</u> protection order under chapter ((74.34)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act). The immediate need restriction may remain in place until the court has heard and issued an order or decision on the petition.
- (3) A <u>vulnerable adult</u> protection order under chapter ((74.34))

 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) issued to protect an incapacitated person as described in subsection (2)(c)(ii) of this section:
 - (a) Must include written findings of fact and conclusions of law;
 - (b) May not be more restrictive than necessary to protect the incapacitated person from abuse, neglect, abandonment, or financial exploitation as those terms are defined in ((RCW 74.34.020)) section 2 of this act; and
 - (c) May not deny communication, visitation, interaction, or other association between the incapacitated person and another person unless the court finds that placing reasonable time, place, or manner restrictions is unlikely to sufficiently protect the incapacitated person from abuse, neglect, abandonment, or financial exploitation as those terms are defined in ((RCW 74.34.020)) section 2 of this act.
 - (4) This section expires January 1, 2022.
- **Sec. 130.** RCW 11.130.257 and 2020 c 312 s 112 are each amended 35 to read as follows:
- 36 (1) In a proceeding under this chapter either party may file a 37 motion for temporary support of children entitled to support. The 38 motion shall be accompanied by an affidavit setting forth the factual 39 basis for the motion and the amount requested.

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(2) In a proceeding under this chapter either party may file a motion for a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction, providing relief proper in the circumstances, and restraining or enjoining another party from:

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- (a) Molesting or disturbing the peace of the other party or of any child;
- (b) Entering the family home or the home of the other party upon a showing of the necessity therefor;
- (c) Knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified location; and
 - (d) Removing a child from the jurisdiction of the court.
- (3) Either party may request a domestic violence protection order ((under chapter 26.50 RCW)) or an antiharassment protection order under chapter ((10.14)) 7.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) on a temporary basis by filing an appropriate separate civil cause of action. The petitioner shall inform the court of the existence of the action under this title. The court shall set all future protection hearings on the guardianship calendar to be heard concurrent with the action under this title and the clerk shall relate the cases in the case management system. The court may grant any of the relief provided in ((RCW 26.50.060)) section 39 of this act except relief pertaining to residential provisions for the children which provisions shall be provided for under this chapter ((7 and any of the relief provided in RCW 10.14.080)). Ex parte orders issued under this subsection shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed fourteen days, or upon court order, not to exceed twenty-four days if necessary to ensure that all temporary motions in the case can be heard at the same time.
- (4) In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800. Such orders may only be made in the civil protection case related to the action under this title.
- (5) The court may issue a temporary restraining order without requiring notice to the other party only if it finds on the basis of the moving affidavit or other evidence that irreparable injury could result if an order is not issued until the time for responding has elapsed.

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- 1 (6) The court may issue a temporary restraining order or 2 preliminary injunction and an order for temporary support in such 3 amounts and on such terms as are just and proper in the 4 circumstances.
- 5 (7) A temporary order, temporary restraining order, or 6 preliminary injunction:
 - (a) Does not prejudice the rights of a party or any child which are to be adjudicated at subsequent hearings in the proceeding;
 - (b) May be revoked or modified;

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- 10 (c) Terminates when the final order is entered or when the motion 11 is dismissed;
- 12 (d) May be entered in a proceeding for the modification of an existing order.
 - (8) A support debt owed to the state for public assistance expenditures which has been charged against a party pursuant to RCW 74.20A.040 and/or 74.20A.055 shall not be merged in, or otherwise extinguished by, the final decree or order, unless the office of support enforcement has been given notice of the final proceeding and an opportunity to present its claim for the support debt to the court and has failed to file an affidavit as provided in this subsection. Notice of the proceeding shall be served upon the office of support enforcement personally, or by certified mail, and shall be given no fewer than thirty days prior to the date of the final proceeding. An original copy of the notice shall be filed with the court either before service or within a reasonable time thereafter. The office of support enforcement may present its claim, and thereby preserve the support debt, by filing an affidavit setting forth the amount of the debt with the court, and by mailing a copy of the affidavit to the parties or their attorney prior to the date of the final proceeding.
- 30 **Sec. 131.** RCW 11.130.335 and 2020 c 312 s 206 are each amended 31 to read as follows:
 - (1) A guardian for an adult does not have the power to revoke or amend a power of attorney for health care or power of attorney for finances executed by the adult. If a power of attorney for health care is in effect, unless there is a court order to the contrary, a health care decision of an agent takes precedence over that of the guardian and the guardian shall cooperate with the agent to the extent feasible. If a power of attorney for finances is in effect, unless there is a court order to the contrary, a decision by the

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- agent which the agent is authorized to make under the power of attorney for finances takes precedence over that of the guardian and the guardian shall cooperate with the agent to the extent feasible. The court has authority to revoke or amend any power of attorney executed by the adult.
 - (2) A guardian for an adult shall not initiate the commitment of the adult to an evaluation and treatment facility except in accordance with the provisions of chapter 10.77, 71.05, or 72.23 RCW.
 - (3) Unless authorized by the court in accordance with subsection (4) of this section within the past thirty days, a guardian for an adult may not consent to any of the following procedures for the adult:
 - (a) Therapy or other procedure to induce convulsion;

- (b) Surgery solely for the purpose of psychosurgery; or
- 15 (c) Other psychiatric or mental health procedures that restrict 16 physical freedom of movement or the rights set forth in RCW 17 71.05.217.
 - (4) The court may order a procedure listed in subsection (3) of this section only after giving notice to the adult's attorney and holding a hearing. If the adult does not have an attorney, the court must appoint an attorney for the adult prior to entering an order under this subsection.
 - (5) Persons under a guardianship, conservatorship, or other protective arrangements—Right to associate with persons of their choosing.
 - (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an adult subject to a guardianship, conservatorship, or other protective arrangement retains the right to associate with other persons of the adult's choosing. This right includes, but is not limited to, the right to freely communicate and interact with other persons, whether through in-person visits, telephone calls, electronic communication, personal mail, or other means. If the adult subject to a guardianship, conservatorship, or other protective arrangement is unable to express consent for communication, visitation, or interaction with another person, or is otherwise unable to make a decision regarding association with another person, the guardian, conservator, or person acting under a protective arrangement, whether full or limited, must:
 - (i) Personally inform the adult subject to a guardianship, conservatorship, or other protective arrangement of the decision

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under consideration, using plain language, in a manner calculated to maximize the understanding of the adult;

- (ii) Maximize the adult's participation in the decision-making process to the greatest extent possible, consistent with the adult's abilities; and
- (iii) Give substantial weight to the adult's preferences, both expressed and historical.
- (b) A guardian or limited guardian, a conservator or limited conservator, or a person acting under a protective arrangement may not restrict an adult's right to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with persons of the adult's choosing, unless:
- (i) The restriction is specifically authorized by the court in the court order establishing or modifying the guardianship or limited guardianship, the conservatorship or limited conservatorship, or the protective arrangement under this chapter;
- (ii) The restriction is pursuant to a protection order issued under chapter ((74.34 or 26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), or other law, that limits contact between the adult under a guardianship, conservatorship, or other protective arrangement and other persons;
- (iii) (A) The guardian or limited guardian, the conservator or limited conservator, or the person acting under the protective arrangement has good cause to believe that there is an immediate need to restrict the adult's right to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with persons of the adult's choosing in order to protect the adult from abuse, neglect, abandonment, or financial exploitation, as those terms are defined in RCW 74.34.020, or to protect the adult from activities that unnecessarily impose significant distress on the adult; and
- (B) Within fourteen calendar days of imposing the restriction under (b)(iii)(A) of this subsection, the guardian or limited guardian, the conservator or limited conservator, or (([the])) the person acting under the protective arrangement files a petition for a vulnerable adult protection order under chapter ((74.34)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act). The immediate need restriction may remain in place until the court has heard and issued an order or decision on the petition; or
- 38 (iv) The restriction is pursuant to participation in the 39 community protection program under chapter 71A.12 RCW.

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1 (6) A <u>vulnerable adult</u> protection order under chapter ((74.34))
2 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) issued
3 to protect the adult under a guardianship, conservatorship, or other
4 protective arrangement as described in subsection (5)(b)(iii)(B) of
5 this section:

- (a) Must include written findings of fact and conclusions of law;
- (b) May not be more restrictive than necessary to protect the adult from abuse, neglect, abandonment, or financial exploitation as those terms are defined in ((RCW 74.34.020)) section 2 of this act; and
- (c) May not deny communication, visitation, interaction, or other association between the adult and another person unless the court finds that placing reasonable time, place, or manner restrictions is unlikely to sufficiently protect the adult from abuse, neglect, abandonment, or financial exploitation as those terms are defined in ((RCW 74.34.020)) section 2 of this act.
- **Sec. 132.** RCW 12.04.140 and 1992 c 111 s 10 are each amended to 18 read as follows:
 - Except as provided under ((RCW 26.50.020)) section 14 of this act, no action shall be commenced by any person under the age of eighteen years, except by his guardian, or until a next friend for such a person shall have been appointed. Whenever requested, the justice shall appoint some suitable person, who shall consent thereto in writing, to be named by such plaintiff, to act as his or her next friend in such action, who shall be responsible for the costs therein.
- **Sec. 133.** RCW 12.04.150 and 1992 c 111 s 11 are each amended to 28 read as follows:

After service and return of process against a defendant under the age of eighteen years, the action shall not be further prosecuted, until a guardian for such defendant shall have been appointed, except as provided under ((RCW 26.50.020)) section 14 of this act. Upon the request of such defendant, the justice shall appoint some person who shall consent thereto in writing, to be guardian of the defendant in defense of the action; and if the defendant shall not appear on the return day of the process, or if he or she neglect or refuse to nominate such guardian, the justice may, at the request of the plaintiff, appoint any discreet person as such guardian. The consent

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of the guardian or next friend shall be filed with the justice; and such guardian for the defendant shall not be liable for any costs in the action.

Sec. 134. RCW 13.40.0357 and 2020 c 18 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:

6	DES	CRIPTION AND OFFENSE CATEG	ORY
7		JUVENILI	E DISPOSITION
8	JUVENILE	C	ATEGORY FOI
9	DISPOSITION	ATTEM	IPT, BAILJUMI
10	OFFENSE	СО	NSPIRACY, OI
11	CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION (RCW CITATION)	SOLICITATION
12		Arson and Malicious Mischief	
13	A	Arson 1 (9A.48.020)	B+
14	В	Arson 2 (9A.48.030)	C
15	C	Reckless Burning 1 (9A.48.040)	D
16	D	Reckless Burning 2 (9A.48.050)	E
17	В	Malicious Mischief 1 (9A.48.070)	C
18	C	Malicious Mischief 2 (9A.48.080)	D
19	D	Malicious Mischief 3 (9A.48.090)	E
20	E	Tampering with Fire Alarm Apparatus	E
21		(9.40.100)	
22	E	Tampering with Fire Alarm Apparatus	E
23		with Intent to Commit Arson (9.40.105)
24	A	Possession of Incendiary Device	B+
25		(9.40.120)	
26		Assault and Other Crimes Involving	
27		Physical Harm	
28	A	Assault 1 (9A.36.011)	B+
29	B+	Assault 2 (9A.36.021)	C+
30	C+	Assault 3 (9A.36.031)	D+
31	D+	Assault 4 (9A.36.041)	E
32	B+	Drive-By Shooting (9A.36.045)	C+
33		committed at age 15 or under	
34	A++	Drive-By Shooting (9A.36.045)	A
35		committed at age 16 or 17	
36	D+	Reckless Endangerment (9A.36.050)	E

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1	C+	Promoting Suicide Attempt (9A.36.060)	D+
2	D+	Coercion (9A.36.070)	E
3	C+	Custodial Assault (9A.36.100)	D+
4		Burglary and Trespass	
5	B+	Burglary 1 (9A.52.020) committed at	C+
6		age 15 or under	
7	A-	Burglary 1 (9A.52.020) committed at	B+
8		age 16 or 17	
9	В	Residential Burglary (9A.52.025)	C
10	В	Burglary 2 (9A.52.030)	C
11	D	Burglary Tools (Possession of)	E
12		(9A.52.060)	
13	D	Criminal Trespass 1 (9A.52.070)	E
14	E	Criminal Trespass 2 (9A.52.080)	E
15	C	Mineral Trespass (78.44.330)	C
16	C	Vehicle Prowling 1 (9A.52.095)	D
17	D	Vehicle Prowling 2 (9A.52.100)	E
18		Drugs	
19	E	Possession/Consumption of Alcohol	E
20		(66.44.270)	
21	C	Illegally Obtaining Legend Drug	D
22		(69.41.020)	
23	C+	Sale, Delivery, Possession of Legend	D+
24		Drug with Intent to Sell (69.41.030(2)(a)))
25	E	Possession of Legend	E
26		Drug (69.41.030(2)(b))	
27	B+	Violation of Uniform Controlled	B+
28		Substances Act - Narcotic,	
29		Methamphetamine, or Flunitrazepam Sale (69.50.401(2) (a) or (b))	
30	С	Violation of Uniform Controlled	С
31 32	C	Substances Act - Nonnarcotic Sale	C
33		(69.50.401(2)(c))	
34	Е	Possession of Marihuana <40 grams	Е
35		(69.50.4014)	
36	C	Fraudulently Obtaining Controlled	С
37		Substance (69.50.403)	

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1	C+	Sale of Controlled Substance for Profit	C+
2		(69.50.410)	
3	E	Unlawful Inhalation (9.47A.020)	E
4	В	Violation of Uniform Controlled	В
5		Substances Act - Narcotic,	
6		Methamphetamine, or Flunitrazepam	
7		Counterfeit Substances (69.50.4011(2)	
8		(a) or (b))	
9	C	Violation of Uniform Controlled	C
10		Substances Act - Nonnarcotic Counterfei	it
11		Substances (69.50.4011(2) (c), (d), or (e))
12	C	Violation of Uniform Controlled	C
13		Substances Act - Possession of a	
14		Controlled Substance (69.50.4013)	
15	C	Violation of Uniform Controlled	C
16		Substances Act - Possession of a	
17		Controlled Substance (69.50.4012)	
18		Firearms and Weapons	
19	В	Theft of Firearm (9A.56.300)	C
20	В	Possession of Stolen Firearm	C
21		(9A.56.310)	
22	E	Carrying Loaded Pistol Without Permit	E
23		(9.41.050)	
24	C	Possession of Firearms by Minor (<18)	C
25		(9.41.040(2)(a) (((vi))) (<u>vii)</u>)	
26	D+	Possession of Dangerous Weapon	E
27		(9.41.250)	
28	D	Intimidating Another Person by use of	E
29		Weapon (9.41.270)	
30		Homicide	
31	A+	Murder 1 (9A.32.030)	A
32	A+	Murder 2 (9A.32.050)	B+
33	B+	Manslaughter 1 (9A.32.060)	C+
34	C+	Manslaughter 2 (9A.32.070)	D+
35	B+	Vehicular Homicide (46.61.520)	C+
36		Kidnapping	
37	A	Kidnap 1 (9A.40.020)	B+
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1	B+	Kidnap 2 (9A.40.030)	C+
2	C+	Unlawful Imprisonment (9A.40.040)	D+
3		Obstructing Governmental Operation	
4	D	Obstructing a Law Enforcement Officer	E
5		(9A.76.020)	
6	E	Resisting Arrest (9A.76.040)	E
7	В	Introducing Contraband 1 (9A.76.140)	C
8	C	Introducing Contraband 2 (9A.76.150)	D
9	E	Introducing Contraband 3 (9A.76.160)	E
10	B+	Intimidating a Public Servant	C+
11		(9A.76.180)	
12	B+	Intimidating a Witness (9A.72.110)	C+
13		Public Disturbance	
14	C+	Criminal Mischief with Weapon	D+
15		(9A.84.010(2)(b))	
16	D+	Criminal Mischief Without Weapon	E
17		(9A.84.010(2)(a))	
18	E	Failure to Disperse (9A.84.020)	E
19	E	Disorderly Conduct (9A.84.030)	E
20		Sex Crimes	
21	A	Rape 1 (9A.44.040)	\mathbf{B} +
22	B++	Rape 2 (9A.44.050) committed at age 14	B+
23		or under	
24	A-	Rape 2 (9A.44.050) committed at age 15	B+
25		through age 17	
26	C+	Rape 3 (9A.44.060)	D+
27	B++	Rape of a Child 1 (9A.44.073)	B+
28		committed at age 14 or under	
29	A-	Rape of a Child 1 (9A.44.073)	B+
30		committed at age 15	
31	B+	Rape of a Child 2 (9A.44.076)	C+
32	В	Incest 1 (9A.64.020(1))	C
33	C	Incest 2 (9A.64.020(2))	D
34	D+	Indecent Exposure (Victim <14)	E
35		(9A.88.010)	

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	(9A.88.010)	
	()	
B+	Promoting Prostitution 1 (9A.88.070)	C +
C+	Promoting Prostitution 2 (9A.88.080)	D+
E	O & A (Prostitution) (9A.88.030)	E
B+	Indecent Liberties (9A.44.100)	C+
B++	Child Molestation 1 (9A.44.083)	B+
	committed at age 14 or under	
A-	Child Molestation 1 (9A.44.083)	\mathbf{B} +
	committed at age 15 through age 17	
В	Child Molestation 2 (9A.44.086)	C+
C	Failure to Register as a Sex Offender	D
	(9A.44.132)	
	Theft, Robbery, Extortion, and	
	Forgery	
В	Theft 1 (9A.56.030)	C
C	Theft 2 (9A.56.040)	D
D	Theft 3 (9A.56.050)	E
В	Theft of Livestock 1 and 2 (9A.56.080	C
	and 9A.56.083)	
C	Forgery (9A.60.020)	D
A	Robbery 1 (9A.56.200) committed at	\mathbf{B} +
	age 15 or under	
A++	Robbery 1 (9A.56.200) committed at	A
	age 16 or 17	
B+	Robbery 2 (9A.56.210)	C+
B+	Extortion 1 (9A.56.120)	C+
C+	Extortion 2 (9A.56.130)	D+
C	Identity Theft 1 (9.35.020(2))	D
D	Identity Theft 2 (9.35.020(3))	E
D	Improperly Obtaining Financial	E
	Information (9.35.010)	
В	Possession of a Stolen Vehicle	C
	(9A.56.068)	
В	Possession of Stolen Property 1	C
	(9A.56.150)	
	E B+ B+ A- B C D B C A A++ C+ C D D B	E O & A (Prostitution) (9A.88.030) B+ Indecent Liberties (9A.44.100) B++ Child Molestation 1 (9A.44.083) committed at age 14 or under A- Child Molestation 1 (9A.44.083) committed at age 15 through age 17 B Child Molestation 2 (9A.44.086) C Failure to Register as a Sex Offender (9A.44.132) Theft, Robbery, Extortion, and Forgery B Theft 1 (9A.56.030) C Theft 2 (9A.56.040) D Theft 3 (9A.56.050) B Theft of Livestock 1 and 2 (9A.56.080 and 9A.56.083) C Forgery (9A.60.020) A Robbery 1 (9A.56.200) committed at age 15 or under A++ Robbery 2 (9A.56.210) B+ Extortion 1 (9A.56.200) C+ Extortion 2 (9A.56.120) C dentity Theft 1 (9.35.020(2)) D Identity Theft 2 (9.35.020(3)) D Improperly Obtaining Financial Information (9.35.010) B Possession of Stolen Property 1

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1	C	Possession of Stolen Property 2	D
2		(9A.56.160)	
3	D	Possession of Stolen Property 3	E
4		(9A.56.170)	
5	В	Taking Motor Vehicle Without	C
6		Permission 1 (9A.56.070)	
7	C	Taking Motor Vehicle Without	D
8		Permission 2 (9A.56.075)	
9	В	Theft of a Motor Vehicle (9A.56.065)	C
10		Motor Vehicle Related Crimes	
11	E	Driving Without a License (46.20.005)	E
12	B+	Hit and Run - Death (46.52.020(4)(a))	C+
13	C	Hit and Run - Injury (46.52.020(4)(b))	D
14	D	Hit and Run-Attended (46.52.020(5))	E
15	E	Hit and Run-Unattended (46.52.010)	E
16	C	Vehicular Assault (46.61.522)	D
17	C	Attempting to Elude Pursuing Police	D
18		Vehicle (46.61.024)	
19	E	Reckless Driving (46.61.500)	E
20	D	Driving While Under the Influence	E
21		(46.61.502 and 46.61.504)	
22	B+	Felony Driving While Under the	В
23		Influence (46.61.502(6))	
24	B+	Felony Physical Control of a Vehicle	В
25		While Under the Influence (46.61.504(6))
26		Other	
27	В	Animal Cruelty 1 (16.52.205)	C
28	В	Bomb Threat (9.61.160)	C
29	C	Escape 1 ¹ (9A.76.110)	C
30	C	Escape 2 ¹ (9A.76.120)	C
31	D	Escape 3 (9A.76.130)	E
32	E	Obscene, Harassing, Etc., Phone Calls	E
33		(9.61.230)	
34	A	Other Offense Equivalent to an Adult	B+
35		Class A Felony	

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1				er Offense Equivalent to	an Adult C		
2				ss B Felony	4.1.1. D		
3 4				er Offense Equivalent to ss C Felony	an Adult D		
5				er Offense Equivalent to	an Adult E		
6				ss Misdemeanor			
7			E Oth	er Offense Equivalent to	an Adult E		
8			Mis	demeanor			
9				ation of Order of Restit			
10 11				nmunity Supervision, or $40.200)^2$	Confinement		
12 13	-		=	ed Escape 1 a		classed as	C offenses
14 15			_	ed escape dur		th period	- 28 days
16		ape or a	ttempte	ed escape dur	ing 12-mor	th period	- 8 weeks
17	confinement						
18	3rd and	l subsequ	uent es	scape or atte	empted esc	ape during	g 12-month
19	period - 12	weeks co	onfineme	ent			
20 21				respondent h up to 30 days			an order,
22		_	JUVENI	LE SENTENCING	STANDARDS		
23	This schedu	ıle must	he us	ed for juven	ile offen	ders. The	court may
24				, B, C, or D.			<u> </u>
25					OPTION A		
26				ILIVENII E OE	FENDER SENTE	NCING GRID	
27					ANDARD RANC		
				51	ANDARD RAINC	JE	
28		A++ 		129 to 260 wee	ks for all category	A++ offenses	
29		A+ 		180 weeks to ag	e 21 for all catego	ory A+ offenses	
30		Α		103-129 wee	eks for all category	A offenses	
31		A-	30-40 we	eks 52-65 weeks	80-100 weeks	103-129 weeks	103-129 weeks
32		B++	15-36 we	eks 52-65 weeks	80-100 weeks	103-129 weeks	103-129 weeks
33	CURRENT	B+	15-36 we	eks 15-36 weeks	52-65 weeks	80-100 weeks	103-129 weeks
34	OFFENSE	В —	LS	LS	15-36 weeks	15-36 weeks	52-65 weeks

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1	CATEGORY	C+	LS	LS	LS	15-36 weeks	15-36 weeks
2		C	LS	LS	LS	LS	15-36 weeks
3		D+	LS	LS	LS	LS	LS
4		D	LS	LS	LS	LS	LS
5		Е	LS	LS	LS	LS	LS
6	PRIOR		0	1	2	3	4 or more

7 ADJUDICATIONS

- 8 NOTE: References in the grid to days or weeks mean periods of 9 confinement. "LS" means "local sanctions" as defined in RCW 13.40.020.
- 11 (1) The vertical axis of the grid is the current offense 12 category. The current offense category is determined by the offense 13 of adjudication.
 - (2) The horizontal axis of the grid is the number of prior adjudications included in the juvenile's criminal history. Each prior felony adjudication shall count as one point. Each prior violation, misdemeanor, and gross misdemeanor adjudication shall count as 1/4 point. Fractional points shall be rounded down.
 - (3) The standard range disposition for each offense is determined by the intersection of the column defined by the prior adjudications and the row defined by the current offense category.
 - (4) RCW 13.40.180 applies if the offender is being sentenced for more than one offense.
 - (5) A current offense that is a violation is equivalent to an offense category of E. However, a disposition for a violation shall not include confinement.

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OPTION B

SUSPENDED DISPOSITION ALTERNATIVE

(1) If the offender is subject to a standard range disposition involving confinement by the department, the court may impose the standard range and suspend the disposition on condition that the offender comply with one or more local sanctions and any educational or treatment requirement. The treatment programs provided to the offender must be either research-based best practice programs as identified by the Washington state institute for public policy or the

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- joint legislative audit and review committee, or for chemical dependency treatment programs or services, they must be evidencebased or research-based best practice programs. For the purposes of this subsection:
- 5 (a) "Evidence-based" means a program or practice that has had 6 multiple site random controlled trials across heterogeneous 7 populations demonstrating that the program or practice is effective 8 for the population; and
- 9 (b) "Research-based" means a program or practice that has some 10 research demonstrating effectiveness, but that does not yet meet the 11 standard of evidence-based practices.
 - (2) If the offender fails to comply with the suspended disposition, the court may impose sanctions pursuant to RCW 13.40.200 or may revoke the suspended disposition and order the disposition's execution.
- 16 (3) An offender is ineligible for the suspended disposition 17 option under this section if the offender:
 - (a) Is adjudicated of an A+ or A++ offense;

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- 19 (b) Is fourteen years of age or older and is adjudicated of one 20 or more of the following offenses:
- 21 (i) A class A offense, or an attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation 22 to commit a class A offense;
 - (ii) Manslaughter in the first degree (RCW 9A.32.060);
- (iii) Assault in the second degree (RCW 9A.36.021), extortion in the first degree (RCW 9A.56.120), kidnapping in the second degree (RCW 9A.40.030), drive-by shooting (RCW 9A.36.045), vehicular homicide (RCW 46.61.520), hit and run death (RCW 46.52.020(4)(a)), or manslaughter 2 (RCW 9A.32.070); or
- (iv) Violation of the uniform controlled substances act (RCW 69.50.401(2) (a) and (b)), when the offense includes infliction of bodily harm upon another or when during the commission or immediate withdrawal from the offense the respondent was armed with a deadly weapon;
- 34 (c) Is ordered to serve a disposition for a firearm violation 35 under RCW 13.40.193;
- 36 (d) Is adjudicated of a sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
 37 or
- 38 (e) Has a prior option B disposition.

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OPTION	C

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CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY/MENTAL HEALTH DISPOSITION ALTERNATIVE

If the juvenile offender is subject to a standard range disposition of local sanctions or 15 to 36 weeks of confinement and has not committed a B++ or B+ offense, the court may impose a disposition under RCW 13.40.160(4) and 13.40.165.

7 **OR**

8 OPTION D

9 MANIFEST INJUSTICE

- 10 If the court determines that a disposition under option A, B, or C 11 would effectuate a manifest injustice, the court shall impose a 12 disposition outside the standard range under RCW 13.40.160(2).
- 13 **Sec. 135.** RCW 13.40.160 and 2020 c 18 s 9 are each amended to 14 read as follows:
- 15 (1) The standard range disposition for a juvenile adjudicated of 16 an offense is determined according to RCW 13.40.0357.
 - (a) When the court sentences an offender to a local sanction as provided in RCW 13.40.0357 option A, the court shall impose a determinate disposition within the standard ranges, except as provided in subsection (2), (3), (4), (5), or (6) of this section. The disposition may be comprised of one or more local sanctions.
 - (b) When the court sentences an offender to a standard range as provided in RCW 13.40.0357 option A that includes a term of confinement exceeding thirty days, commitment shall be to the department for the standard range of confinement, except as provided in subsection (2), (3), (4), (5), or (6) of this section.
 - (2) If the court concludes, and enters reasons for its conclusion, that disposition within the standard range would effectuate a manifest injustice the court shall impose a disposition outside the standard range, as indicated in option D of RCW 13.40.0357. The court's finding of manifest injustice shall be supported by clear and convincing evidence.
 - A disposition outside the standard range shall be determinate and shall be comprised of confinement or community supervision, or a combination thereof. When a judge finds a manifest injustice and imposes a sentence of confinement exceeding thirty days, the court shall sentence the juvenile to a maximum term, and the provisions of

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1 RCW 13.40.030(2) shall be used to determine the range. A disposition outside the standard range is appealable under RCW 13.40.230 by the state or the respondent. A disposition within the standard range is not appealable under RCW 13.40.230.

- (3) If a juvenile offender is found to have committed a sex offense, other than a sex offense that is also a serious violent offense as defined by RCW 9.94A.030, and has no history of a prior sex offense, the court may impose the special sex offender disposition alternative under RCW 13.40.162.
- (4) If the juvenile offender is subject to a standard range disposition of local sanctions or 15 to 36 weeks of confinement and has not committed an A- or B+ offense, the court may impose the disposition alternative under RCW 13.40.165.
- (5) If a juvenile is subject to a commitment of 15 to 65 weeks of confinement, the court may impose the disposition alternative under RCW 13.40.167.
- (6) When the offender is subject to a standard range commitment of 15 to 36 weeks and is ineligible for a suspended disposition alternative, a manifest injustice disposition below the standard range, special sex offender disposition alternative, chemical dependency disposition alternative, or mental health disposition alternative, the court in a county with a pilot program under RCW 13.40.169 may impose the disposition alternative under RCW 13.40.169.
- (7) RCW 13.40.193 shall govern the disposition of any juvenile adjudicated of possessing a firearm in violation of RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(((vi))) or any crime in which a special finding is entered that the juvenile was armed with a firearm.
- (8) RCW 13.40.308 shall govern the disposition of any juvenile adjudicated of theft of a motor vehicle as defined under RCW 9A.56.065, possession of a stolen motor vehicle as defined under RCW 9A.56.068, taking a motor vehicle without permission in the first degree under RCW 9A.56.070, and taking a motor vehicle without permission in the second degree under RCW 9A.56.075.
- (9) Whenever a juvenile offender is entitled to credit for time spent in detention prior to a dispositional order, the dispositional order shall specifically state the number of days of credit for time served.
- 38 (10) Except as provided under subsection (3), (4), (5), or (6) of this section, or option B of RCW 13.40.0357, or RCW 13.40.127, the

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- 1 court shall not suspend or defer the imposition or the execution of 2 the disposition.
- 3 (11) In no case shall the term of confinement imposed by the 4 court at disposition exceed that to which an adult could be subjected 5 for the same offense.
- **Sec. 136.** RCW 13.40.193 and 2020 c 18 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) If a respondent is found to have been in possession of a firearm in violation of RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(((vi))) (vii), the court shall impose a minimum disposition of ten days of confinement. If the offender's standard range of disposition for the offense as indicated in RCW 13.40.0357 is more than thirty days of confinement, the court shall commit the offender to the department for the standard range disposition. The offender shall not be released until the offender has served a minimum of ten days in confinement.
- (2)(a) If a respondent is found to have been in possession of a firearm in violation of RCW 9.41.040, the disposition must include a requirement that the respondent participate in a qualifying program as described in (b) of this subsection, when available, unless the court makes a written finding based on the outcome of the juvenile court risk assessment that participation in a qualifying program would not be appropriate.
- (b) For purposes of this section, "qualifying program" means an aggression replacement training program, a functional family therapy program, or another program applicable to the juvenile firearm offender population that has been identified as evidence-based or research-based and cost-beneficial in the current list prepared at the direction of the legislature by the Washington state institute for public policy.
- (3) If the court finds that the respondent or an accomplice was armed with a firearm, the court shall determine the standard range disposition for the offense pursuant to RCW 13.40.160. If the offender or an accomplice was armed with a firearm when the offender committed any felony other than possession of a machine gun or bumpfire stock, possession of a stolen firearm, drive-by shooting, theft of a firearm, unlawful possession of a firearm in the first and second degree, or use of a machine gun or bump-fire stock in a felony, the following periods of total confinement must be added to the sentence: (a) Except for (b) of this subsection, for a class A

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felony, six months; for a class B felony, four months; and for a class C felony, two months; (b) for any violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, committed by a respondent who is sixteen or seventeen years old at the time of the offense, a period of twelve months. The additional time shall be imposed regardless of the offense's juvenile disposition offense category as designated in RCW 13.40.0357.

- (4) (a) If the court finds that the respondent who is sixteen or seventeen years old and committed the offense of robbery in the first degree, drive-by shooting, rape of a child in the first degree, burglary in the first degree, or any violent offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 and was armed with a firearm, and the court finds that the respondent's participation was related to membership in a criminal street gang or advancing the benefit, aggrandizement, gain, profit, or other advantage for a criminal street gang, a period of three months total confinement must be added to the sentence. The additional time must be imposed regardless of the offense's juvenile disposition offense category as designated in RCW 13.40.0357 and must be served consecutively with any other sentencing enhancement.
- (b) For the purposes of this section, "criminal street gang" means any ongoing organization, association, or group of three or more persons, whether formal or informal, having a common name or common identifying sign or symbol, having as one of its primary activities the commission of criminal acts, and whose members or associates individually or collectively engage in or have engaged in a pattern of criminal street gang activity. This definition does not apply to employees engaged in concerted activities for their mutual aid and protection, or to the activities of labor and bona fide nonprofit organizations or their members or agents.
- (5) When a disposition under this section would effectuate a manifest injustice, the court may impose another disposition. When a judge finds a manifest injustice and imposes a disposition of confinement exceeding thirty days, the court shall commit the juvenile to a maximum term, and the provisions of RCW 13.40.030(2) shall be used to determine the range. When a judge finds a manifest injustice and imposes a disposition of confinement less than thirty days, the disposition shall be comprised of confinement or community supervision or both.
- (6) Any term of confinement ordered pursuant to this section shall run consecutively to any term of confinement imposed in the same disposition for other offenses.

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Sec. 137. RCW 13.40.265 and 2020 c 18 s 11 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) If a juvenile thirteen years of age or older is found by juvenile court to have committed an offense while armed with a firearm or an offense that is a violation of RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(((vi))) (vii) or chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the court shall notify the department of licensing within twenty-four hours after entry of the judgment, unless the offense is the juvenile's first offense while armed with a firearm, first unlawful possession of a firearm offense, or first offense in violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, upon petition of a juvenile who has been found by the court to have committed an offense that is a violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the court may at any time the court deems appropriate notify the department of licensing that the juvenile's driving privileges should be reinstated.
- 18 (3) If the offense is the juvenile's second or subsequent 19 violation of chapter 66.44, 69.41, 69.50, or 69.52 RCW, the juvenile 20 may not petition the court for reinstatement of the juvenile's 21 privilege to drive revoked pursuant to RCW 46.20.265 until the date 22 the juvenile turns seventeen or one year after the date judgment was 23 entered, whichever is later.
 - **Sec. 138.** RCW 19.220.010 and 2006 c 138 s 24 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Each international matchmaking organization doing business in Washington state shall disseminate to a recruit, upon request, state background check information and personal history information relating to any Washington state resident about whom any information is provided to the recruit, in the recruit's native language. The organization shall notify all recruits that background check and personal history information is available upon request. The notice that background check and personal history information is available upon request shall be in the recruit's native language and shall be displayed in a manner that separates it from other information, is highly noticeable, and in lettering not less than one-quarter of an inch high.
 - (2) If an international matchmaking organization receives a request for information from a recruit pursuant to subsection (1) of

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this section, the organization shall notify the Washington state resident of the request. Upon receiving notification, the Washington state resident shall obtain from the state patrol and provide to the organization the complete transcript of any background check information provided pursuant to RCW 43.43.760 based on a submission of fingerprint impressions and provided pursuant to RCW 43.43.838 and shall provide to the organization his or her personal history information. The organization shall require the resident to affirm that personal history information is complete and accurate. The organization shall refrain from knowingly providing any further services to the recruit or the Washington state resident in regards to facilitating future interaction between the recruit and the Washington state resident until the organization has obtained the requested information and provided it to the recruit.

- (3) This section does not apply to a traditional matchmaking organization of a religious nature that otherwise operates in compliance with the laws of the countries of the recruits of such organization and the laws of the United States nor to any organization that does not charge a fee to any party for the service provided.
 - (4) As used in this section:

- (a) "International matchmaking organization" means a corporation, partnership, business, or other legal entity, whether or not organized under the laws of the United States or any state, that does business in the United States and for profit offers to Washington state residents, including aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence and residing in Washington state, dating, matrimonial, or social referral services involving citizens of a foreign country or countries who are not residing in the United States, by: (i) An exchange of names, telephone numbers, addresses, or statistics; (ii) selection of photographs; or (iii) a social environment provided by the organization in a country other than the United States.
- (b) "Personal history information" means a declaration of the person's current marital status, the number of previous marriages, annulments, and dissolutions for the person, and whether any previous marriages occurred as a result of receiving services from an international matchmaking organization; founded allegations of child abuse or neglect; and any existing orders under chapter 7.--- (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), 7.90, 10.14, 10.99, or 26.50 RCW. Personal history information shall include information

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- from the state of Washington and any information from other states or countries.
- 3 (c) "Recruit" means a noncitizen, nonresident person, recruited 4 by an international matchmaking organization for the purpose of 5 providing dating, matrimonial, or social referral services.
- 6 **Sec. 139.** RCW 26.09.003 and 2007 c 496 s 102 are each amended to read as follows:

The legislature reaffirms the intent of the current law as 8 expressed in RCW 26.09.002. However, after review, the legislature 9 10 finds that there are certain components of the existing law which do not support the original legislative intent. In order to better 11 implement the existing legislative intent the legislature finds that 12 13 incentives for parties to reduce family conflict and additional alternative dispute resolution options can assist in reducing the 14 15 number of contested trials. Furthermore, the legislature finds that 16 the identification of domestic violence as defined in ((RCW26.50.010)) section 2 of this act and the treatment needs of the 17 18 parties to dissolutions are necessary to improve outcomes for children. When judicial officers have the discretion to tailor 19 20 individualized resolutions, the legislative intent expressed in RCW 21 26.09.002 can more readily be achieved. Judicial officers should have 22 the discretion and flexibility to assess each case based on the merits of the individual cases before them. 23

24 **Sec. 140.** RCW 26.09.015 and 2020 c 29 s 13 are each amended to 25 read as follows:

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- (1) In any proceeding under this chapter, the matter may be set for mediation of the contested issues before, or concurrent with, the setting of the matter for hearing. The purpose of the mediation proceeding shall be to reduce acrimony which may exist between the parties and to develop an agreement assuring the child's close and continuing contact with both parents after the marriage or the domestic partnership is dissolved. The mediator shall use his or her best efforts to effect a settlement of the dispute.
- (2) (a) Each superior court may make available a mediator. The court shall use the most cost-effective mediation services that are readily available unless there is good cause to access alternative providers. The mediator may be a member of the professional staff of a family court or mental health services agency, or may be any other

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1 person or agency designated by the court. In order to provide 2 mediation services, the court is not required to institute a family 3 court.

- (b) In any proceeding involving issues relating to residential time or other matters governed by a parenting plan, the matter may be set for mediation of the contested issues before, or concurrent with, the setting of the matter for hearing. Counties may, and to the extent state funding is provided therefor counties shall, provide both predecree and postdecree mediation at reduced or waived fee to the parties within one year of the filing of the dissolution petition.
- 12 (3) (a) Mediation proceedings under this chapter shall be governed 13 in all respects by chapter 7.07 RCW, except as follows:
 - (i) Mediation communications in postdecree mediations mandated by a parenting plan are admissible in subsequent proceedings for the limited purpose of proving:
 - (A) Abuse, neglect, abandonment, exploitation, or unlawful harassment, as defined in RCW 9A.46.020(1), of a child;
 - (B) Abuse or unlawful harassment as defined in RCW 9A.46.020(1), of a family or household member or intimate partner, each as defined in RCW ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020; or
 - (C) That a parent used or frustrated the dispute resolution process without good reason for purposes of RCW 26.09.184(4)(d).
 - (ii) If a postdecree mediation-arbitration proceeding is required pursuant to a parenting plan and the same person acts as both mediator and arbitrator, mediation communications in the mediation phase of such a proceeding may be admitted during the arbitration phase, and shall be admissible in the judicial review of such a proceeding under RCW 26.09.184(4)(e) to the extent necessary for such review to be effective.
 - (b) None of the exceptions under (a)(i) and (ii) of this subsection shall subject a mediator to compulsory process to testify except by court order for good cause shown, taking into consideration the need for the mediator's testimony and the interest in the mediator maintaining an appearance of impartiality. If a mediation communication is not privileged under (a)(i) of this subsection or that portion of (a)(ii) of this subsection pertaining to judicial review, only the portion of the communication necessary for the application of the exception may be admitted, and such admission of evidence shall not render any other mediation communication

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discoverable or admissible except as may be provided in chapter 7.07 RCW.

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- (4) The mediator shall assess the needs and interests of the child or children involved in the controversy and may interview the child or children if the mediator deems such interview appropriate or necessary.
- (5) Any agreement reached by the parties as a result of mediation shall be reported to the court and to counsel for the parties by the mediator on the day set for mediation or any time thereafter designated by the court.
- 11 **Sec. 141.** RCW 26.09.050 and 2008 c 6 s 1008 are each amended to 12 read as follows:
 - (1) In entering a decree of dissolution of marriage or domestic partnership, legal separation, or declaration of invalidity, the court shall determine the marital or domestic partnership status of the parties, make provision for a parenting plan for any minor child of the marriage or domestic partnership, make provision for the support of any child of the marriage or domestic partnership entitled to support, consider or approve provision for the maintenance of either spouse or either domestic partner, make provision for the disposition of property and liabilities of the parties, make provision for the allocation of the children as federal tax exemptions, make provision for any necessary continuing restraining orders including the provisions contained in RCW 9.41.800, make provision for the issuance within this action of the restraint provisions of a domestic violence protection order ((under chapter 26.50 RCW)) or an antiharassment protection order under chapter ((10.14)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), and make provision for the change of name of any party.
 - (2) Restraining orders issued under this section restraining or enjoining the person from molesting or disturbing another party, or from going onto the grounds of or entering the home, workplace, or school of the other party or the day care or school of any child, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, shall prominently bear on the front page of the order the legend: VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER WITH ACTUAL NOTICE OF ITS TERMS IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE UNDER

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- CHAPTER ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) AND WILL SUBJECT A VIOLATOR TO ARREST.
 - (3) The court shall order that any restraining order bearing a criminal offense legend, any domestic violence protection order, or any antiharassment protection order granted under this section, in addition to the law enforcement information sheet or proof of service of the order, be forwarded by the clerk of the court on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. The order is fully enforceable in any county in the state.
- (4) If a restraining order issued pursuant to this section is modified or terminated, the clerk of the court shall notify the law enforcement agency specified in the order on or before the next judicial day. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from any computer-based criminal intelligence system.
- **Sec. 142.** RCW 26.09.060 and 2019 c 245 s 17 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
 - (1) In a proceeding for:

- (a) Dissolution of marriage or domestic partnership, legal separation, or a declaration of invalidity; or
- (b) Disposition of property or liabilities, maintenance, or support following dissolution of the marriage or the domestic partnership by a court which lacked personal jurisdiction over the absent spouse or absent domestic partner; either party may move for temporary maintenance or for temporary support of children entitled to support. The motion shall be accompanied by an affidavit setting forth the factual basis for the motion and the amounts requested.
- (2) As a part of a motion for temporary maintenance or support or by independent motion accompanied by affidavit, either party may request the court to issue a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction, providing relief proper in the circumstances, and restraining or enjoining any person from:
- 37 (a) Transferring, removing, encumbering, concealing, or in any 38 way disposing of any property except in the usual course of business 39 or for the necessities of life, and, if so restrained or enjoined,

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requiring him or her to notify the moving party of any proposed extraordinary expenditures made after the order is issued;

- (b) Molesting or disturbing the peace of the other party or of any child;
- (c) Going onto the grounds of or entering the home, workplace, or school of the other party or the day care or school of any child upon a showing of the necessity therefor;
- (d) Knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle; and
 - (e) Removing a child from the jurisdiction of the court.
- (3) Either party may request a domestic violence protection order ((under chapter 26.50 RCW)) or an antiharassment protection order under chapter ((10.14)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) on a temporary basis. The court may grant any of the relief provided in ((RCW 26.50.060)) section 39 of this act except relief pertaining to residential provisions for the children which provisions shall be provided for under this chapter((, and any of the relief provided in RCW 10.14.080)). Ex parte orders issued under this subsection shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed fourteen days, or upon court order, not to exceed twenty-four days if necessary to ensure that all temporary motions in the case can be heard at the same time.
- (4) In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.
- (5) The court may issue a temporary restraining order without requiring notice to the other party only if it finds on the basis of the moving affidavit or other evidence that irreparable injury could result if an order is not issued until the time for responding has elapsed.
- (6) The court may issue a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction and an order for temporary maintenance or support in such amounts and on such terms as are just and proper in the circumstances. The court may in its discretion waive the filing of the bond or the posting of security.
- (7) Restraining orders issued under this section restraining the person from molesting or disturbing another party, or from going onto

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- 1 the grounds of or entering the home, workplace, or school of the other party or the day care or school of any child, or prohibiting 2 the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining 3 within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's 4 person, or a protected party's vehicle, shall prominently bear on the 5 6 front page of the order the legend: VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER WITH ACTUAL NOTICE OF ITS TERMS IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE UNDER CHAPTER 7 ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this 8 act) AND WILL SUBJECT A VIOLATOR TO ARREST. 9
 - (8) The court shall order that any temporary restraining order bearing a criminal offense legend, any domestic violence protection order, or any antiharassment protection order granted under this section be forwarded by the clerk of the court on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any county in the state.
 - (9) If a restraining order issued pursuant to this section is modified or terminated, the clerk of the court shall notify the law enforcement agency specified in the order on or before the next judicial day. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from any computer-based criminal intelligence system.
 - (10) A temporary order, temporary restraining order, or preliminary injunction:
- 30 (a) Does not prejudice the rights of a party or any child which 31 are to be adjudicated at subsequent hearings in the proceeding;
 - (b) May be revoked or modified;

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- (c) Terminates when the final decree is entered, except as provided under subsection (11) of this section, or when the petition for dissolution, legal separation, or declaration of invalidity is dismissed;
- 37 (d) May be entered in a proceeding for the modification of an 38 existing decree.
- 39 (11) Delinquent support payments accrued under an order for 40 temporary support remain collectible and are not extinguished when a

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- final decree is entered unless the decree contains specific language to the contrary. A support debt under a temporary order owed to the state for public assistance expenditures shall not be extinguished by the final decree if:
- 5 (a) The obligor was given notice of the state's interest under 6 chapter 74.20A RCW; or

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- (b) The temporary order directs the obligor to make support payments to the office of support enforcement or the Washington state support registry.
- 10 **Sec. 143.** RCW 26.09.191 and 2020 c 311 s 8 are each amended to 11 read as follows:
 - (1) The permanent parenting plan shall not require mutual decision-making or designation of a dispute resolution process other than court action if it is found that a parent has engaged in any of the following conduct: (a) Willful abandonment that continues for an extended period of time or substantial refusal to perform parenting functions; (b) physical, sexual, or a pattern of emotional abuse of a child; or (c) a history of acts of domestic violence as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010(3))) section 2 of this act or an assault or sexual assault that causes grievous bodily harm or the fear of such harm or that results in a pregnancy.
 - (2)(a) The parent's residential time with the child shall be limited if it is found that the parent has engaged in any of the following conduct: (i) Willful abandonment that continues for an extended period of time or substantial refusal to perform parenting functions; (ii) physical, sexual, or a pattern of emotional abuse of a child; (iii) a history of acts of domestic violence as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010(3))) section 2 of this act or an assault or sexual assault that causes grievous bodily harm or the fear of such harm or that results in a pregnancy; or (iv) the parent has been convicted as an adult of a sex offense under:
- 32 (A) RCW 9A.44.076 if, because of the difference in age between 33 the offender and the victim, no rebuttable presumption exists under 34 (d) of this subsection;
- 35 (B) RCW 9A.44.079 if, because of the difference in age between 36 the offender and the victim, no rebuttable presumption exists under 37 (d) of this subsection;

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- 1 (C) RCW 9A.44.086 if, because of the difference in age between 2 the offender and the victim, no rebuttable presumption exists under
- 4 (D) RCW 9A.44.089;

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- 5 (E) RCW 9A.44.093;
- 6 (F) RCW 9A.44.096;
- 7 (G) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2) if, because of the difference in age 8 between the offender and the victim, no rebuttable presumption exists 9 under (d) of this subsection;
- 10 (H) Chapter 9.68A RCW;
- 11 (I) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses listed 12 in (a)(iv)(A) through (H) of this subsection;
- (J) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an offense analogous to the offenses listed in (a)(iv)(A) through (H) of this subsection.
- This subsection (2)(a) shall not apply when (c) or (d) of this subsection applies.
- (b) The parent's residential time with the child shall be limited 18 if it is found that the parent resides with a person who has engaged 19 in any of the following conduct: (i) Physical, sexual, or a pattern 20 21 of emotional abuse of a child; (ii) a history of acts of domestic 22 violence as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010(3))) section 2 of this act or an assault or sexual assault that causes grievous bodily harm or the 23 24 fear of such harm or that results in a pregnancy; or (iii) the person 25 has been convicted as an adult or as a juvenile has been adjudicated of a sex offense under: 26
- 27 (A) RCW 9A.44.076 if, because of the difference in age between 28 the offender and the victim, no rebuttable presumption exists under 29 (e) of this subsection;
- 30 (B) RCW 9A.44.079 if, because of the difference in age between 31 the offender and the victim, no rebuttable presumption exists under
- 32 (e) of this subsection;
- 33 (C) RCW 9A.44.086 if, because of the difference in age between 34 the offender and the victim, no rebuttable presumption exists under
- 35 (e) of this subsection;
- 36 (D) RCW 9A.44.089;
- 37 (E) RCW 9A.44.093;
- 38 (F) RCW 9A.44.096;

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- (G) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2) if, because of the difference in age between the offender and the victim, no rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this subsection;
 - (H) Chapter 9.68A RCW;

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- (I) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses listed in (b)(iii)(A) through (H) of this subsection;
 - (J) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an offense analogous to the offenses listed in (b)(iii)(A) through (H) of this subsection.

This subsection (2)(b) shall not apply when (c) or (e) of this subsection applies.

- (c) If a parent has been found to be a sexual predator under chapter 71.09 RCW or under an analogous statute of any other jurisdiction, the court shall restrain the parent from contact with a child that would otherwise be allowed under this chapter. If a parent resides with an adult or a juvenile who has been found to be a sexual predator under chapter 71.09 RCW or under an analogous statute of any other jurisdiction, the court shall restrain the parent from contact with the parent's child except contact that occurs outside that person's presence.
- (d) There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent who has been convicted as an adult of a sex offense listed in (d)(i) through (ix) of this subsection poses a present danger to a child. Unless the parent rebuts this presumption, the court shall restrain the parent from contact with a child that would otherwise be allowed under this chapter:
- (i) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2), provided that the person convicted was at least five years older than the other person;
- 29 (ii) RCW 9A.44.073;
- 30 (iii) RCW 9A.44.076, provided that the person convicted was at least eight years older than the victim;
- 32 (iv) RCW 9A.44.079, provided that the person convicted was at 33 least eight years older than the victim;
 - (v) RCW 9A.44.083;
- 35 (vi) RCW 9A.44.086, provided that the person convicted was at least eight years older than the victim;
- 37 (vii) RCW 9A.44.100;
- (viii) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses listed in (d)(i) through (vii) of this subsection;

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- 1 (ix) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an offense analogous to the offenses listed in (d)(i) through (vii) of this subsection.
- (e) There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent who resides 4 with a person who, as an adult, has been convicted, or as a juvenile 5 has been adjudicated, of the sex offenses listed in (e)(i) through 6 7 (ix) of this subsection places a child at risk of abuse or harm when that parent exercises residential time in the presence of the 8 9 convicted or adjudicated person. Unless the parent rebuts the presumption, the court shall restrain the parent from contact with 10 11 the parent's child except for contact that occurs outside of the convicted or adjudicated person's presence: 12
- 13 (i) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2), provided that the person convicted was at least five years older than the other person;
- 15 (ii) RCW 9A.44.073;
- 16 (iii) RCW 9A.44.076, provided that the person convicted was at least eight years older than the victim;
- 18 (iv) RCW 9A.44.079, provided that the person convicted was at 19 least eight years older than the victim;
- 20 (v) RCW 9A.44.083;
- (vi) RCW 9A.44.086, provided that the person convicted was at least eight years older than the victim;
- 23 (vii) RCW 9A.44.100;

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- (viii) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses listed in (e)(i) through (vii) of this subsection;
 - (ix) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an offense analogous to the offenses listed in (e)(i) through (vii) of this subsection.
 - (f) The presumption established in (d) of this subsection may be rebutted only after a written finding that the child was not conceived and subsequently born as a result of a sexual assault committed by the parent requesting residential time and that:
- (i) If the child was not the victim of the sex offense committed 33 by the parent requesting residential time, (A) contact between the 34 child and the offending parent is appropriate and poses minimal risk 35 to the child, and (B) the offending parent has successfully engaged 36 in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress 37 in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment 38 provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk 39 to the child; or 40

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(ii) If the child was the victim of the sex offense committed by the parent requesting residential time, (A) contact between the child and the offending parent is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, (B) if the child is in or has been in therapy for victims of sexual abuse, the child's counselor believes such contact between the child and the offending parent is in the child's best interest, and (C) the offending parent has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child.

- (g) The presumption established in (e) of this subsection may be rebutted only after a written finding that the child was not conceived and subsequently born as a result of a sexual assault committed by the parent requesting residential time and that:
- (i) If the child was not the victim of the sex offense committed by the person who is residing with the parent requesting residential time, (A) contact between the child and the parent residing with the convicted or adjudicated person is appropriate and that parent is able to protect the child in the presence of the convicted or adjudicated person, and (B) the convicted or adjudicated person has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child; or
- (ii) If the child was the victim of the sex offense committed by the person who is residing with the parent requesting residential time, (A) contact between the child and the parent in the presence of the convicted or adjudicated person is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, (B) if the child is in or has been in therapy for victims of sexual abuse, the child's counselor believes such contact between the child and the parent residing with the convicted or adjudicated person in the presence of the convicted or adjudicated person is in the child's best interest, and (C) the convicted or adjudicated person has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes contact between the parent and child in the presence of the convicted or adjudicated person is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child.

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(h) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of rebutting the presumption under (f) of this subsection, the court may allow a parent who has been convicted as an adult of a sex offense listed in (d) (i) through (ix) of this subsection to have residential time with the child supervised by a neutral and independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision of such residential time. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing or capable of protecting the child.

- (i) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of rebutting the presumption under (g) of this subsection, the court may allow a parent residing with a person who has been adjudicated as a juvenile of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection to have residential time with the child in the presence of the person adjudicated as a juvenile, supervised by a neutral and independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision of such residential time. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing or capable of protecting the child.
- (j) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of rebutting the presumption under (g) of this subsection, the court may allow a parent residing with a person who, as an adult, has been convicted of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection to have residential time with the child in the presence of the convicted person supervised by a neutral and independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision of such residential time. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor

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- (k) A court shall not order unsupervised contact between the offending parent and a child of the offending parent who was sexually abused by that parent. A court may order unsupervised contact between the offending parent and a child who was not sexually abused by the parent after the presumption under (d) of this subsection has been rebutted and supervised residential time has occurred for at least two years with no further arrests or convictions of sex offenses involving children under chapter 9A.44 RCW, RCW 9A.64.020, or chapter 9.68A RCW and (i) the sex offense of the offending parent was not committed against a child of the offending parent, and (ii) the court finds that unsupervised contact between the child and the offending parent is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, after consideration of the testimony of a state-certified therapist, mental health counselor, or social worker with expertise in treating child sexual abuse victims who has supervised at least one period of residential time between the parent and the child, and after consideration of evidence of the offending parent's compliance with community supervision requirements, if any. If the offending parent was not ordered by a court to participate in treatment for sex offenders, then the parent shall obtain a psychosexual evaluation conducted by a certified sex offender treatment provider or a certified affiliate sex offender treatment provider indicating that the offender has the lowest likelihood of risk to reoffend before the court grants unsupervised contact between the parent and a child.
- (1) A court may order unsupervised contact between the parent and a child which may occur in the presence of a juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection who resides with the parent after the presumption under (e) of this subsection has been rebutted and supervised residential time has occurred for at least two years during which time the adjudicated juvenile has had no further arrests, adjudications, or convictions of sex offenses involving children under chapter 9A.44 RCW, RCW 9A.64.020, or chapter 9.68A RCW, and (i) the court finds that unsupervised contact between the child and the parent that may occur in the presence of the adjudicated juvenile is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, after consideration of the testimony of a state-certified therapist, mental health counselor, or social worker with expertise in treatment of child sexual abuse victims who has

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supervised at least one period of residential time between the parent and the child in the presence of the adjudicated juvenile, and after consideration of evidence of the adjudicated juvenile's compliance with community supervision or parole requirements, if any. If the adjudicated juvenile was not ordered by a court to participate in treatment for sex offenders, then the adjudicated juvenile shall obtain a psychosexual evaluation conducted by a certified sex offender treatment provider or a certified affiliate sex offender treatment provider indicating that the adjudicated juvenile has the lowest likelihood of risk to reoffend before the court grants unsupervised contact between the parent and a child which may occur in the presence of the adjudicated juvenile who is residing with the parent.

(m)(i) The limitations imposed by the court under (a) or (b) of this subsection shall be reasonably calculated to protect the child from the physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or harm that could the child has contact with the parent requesting residential time. The limitations shall also be reasonably calculated to provide for the safety of the parent who may be at risk of physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or harm that could result if the parent has contact with the parent requesting residential time. The limitations the court may impose include, but are not limited to: Supervised contact between the child and the parent or completion of relevant counseling or treatment. If the court expressly finds based on the evidence that limitations on the residential time with the child will not adequately protect the child from the harm or abuse that could result if the child has contact with the parent requesting residential time, the court shall restrain the parent requesting residential time from all contact with the child.

(ii) The court shall not enter an order under (a) of this subsection allowing a parent to have contact with a child if the parent has been found by clear and convincing evidence in a civil action or by a preponderance of the evidence in a dependency action to have sexually abused the child, except upon recommendation by an evaluator or therapist for the child that the child is ready for contact with the parent and will not be harmed by the contact. The court shall not enter an order allowing a parent to have contact with the child in the offender's presence if the parent resides with a person who has been found by clear and convincing evidence in a civil action or by a preponderance of the evidence in a dependency action

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to have sexually abused a child, unless the court finds that the parent accepts that the person engaged in the harmful conduct and the parent is willing to and capable of protecting the child from harm from the person.

- (iii) The court shall not enter an order under (a) of this subsection allowing a parent to have contact with a child if the parent has been found by clear and convincing evidence pursuant to RCW 26.26A.465 to have committed sexual assault, as defined in RCW 26.26A.465, against the child's parent, and that the child was born within three hundred twenty days of the sexual assault.
- (iv) If the court limits residential time under (a) or (b) of this subsection to require supervised contact between the child and the parent, the court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between a child and a parent who has engaged in physical, sexual, or a pattern of emotional abuse of the child unless the court finds based upon the evidence that the supervisor accepts that the harmful conduct occurred and is willing to and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing to or capable of protecting the child.
- (n) If the court expressly finds based on the evidence that contact between the parent and the child will not cause physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or harm to the child and that the probability that the parent's or other person's harmful or abusive conduct will recur is so remote that it would not be in the child's best interests to apply the limitations of (a), (b), and (m)(i) and (iv) of this subsection, or if the court expressly finds that the parent's conduct did not have an impact on the child, then the court need not apply the limitations of (a), (b), and (m)(i) and (iv) of this subsection. The weight given to the existence of a protection order issued under chapter 7.--- (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) or 26.50 RCW as to domestic violence is within the discretion of the court. This subsection shall not apply when (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), and (m)(ii) of this subsection apply.
- (3) A parent's involvement or conduct may have an adverse effect on the child's best interests, and the court may preclude or limit any provisions of the parenting plan, if any of the following factors exist:

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1 (a) A parent's neglect or substantial nonperformance of parenting functions;

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- (b) A long-term emotional or physical impairment which interferes with the parent's performance of parenting functions as defined in RCW 26.09.004;
- 6 (c) A long-term impairment resulting from drug, alcohol, or other 7 substance abuse that interferes with the performance of parenting 8 functions;
- 9 (d) The absence or substantial impairment of emotional ties 10 between the parent and the child;
- (e) The abusive use of conflict by the parent which creates the 11 12 danger of serious damage to the child's psychological development. Abusive use of conflict includes, but is not limited to, abusive 13 litigation as defined in RCW 26.51.020. If the court finds a parent 14 has engaged in abusive litigation, the court may 15 impose any restrictions or remedies set forth in chapter 26.51 RCW in addition 16 to including a finding in the parenting plan. Litigation that is 17 aggressive or improper but that does not meet the definition of 18 abusive litigation shall not constitute a basis for a finding under 19 this section. A report made in good faith to law enforcement, a 20 medical professional, or child protective services of sexual, 21 physical, or mental abuse of a child shall not constitute a basis for 22 a finding of abusive use of conflict; 23
- 24 (f) A parent has withheld from the other parent access to the 25 child for a protracted period without good cause; or
 - (g) Such other factors or conduct as the court expressly finds adverse to the best interests of the child.
 - (4) In cases involving allegations of limiting factors under subsection (2)(a)(ii) and (iii) of this section, both parties shall be screened to determine the appropriateness of a comprehensive assessment regarding the impact of the limiting factor on the child and the parties.
- 33 (5) In entering a permanent parenting plan, the court shall not 34 draw any presumptions from the provisions of the temporary parenting 35 plan.
- 36 (6) In determining whether any of the conduct described in this 37 section has occurred, the court shall apply the civil rules of 38 evidence, proof, and procedure.
 - (7) For the purposes of this section:

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- 1 (a) "A parent's child" means that parent's natural child, adopted child, or stepchild; and
- 3 (b) "Social worker" means a person with a master's or further 4 advanced degree from a social work educational program accredited and 5 approved as provided in RCW 18.320.010.
- 6 **Sec. 144.** RCW 26.09.300 and 2000 c 119 s 21 are each amended to read as follows:

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- (1) Whenever a restraining order is issued under this chapter, and the person to be restrained knows of the order, a violation of the provisions restricting the person from acts or threats of violence or of a provision restraining the person from going onto the grounds of or entering the residence, workplace, school, or day care of another, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, is punishable under ((RCW 26.50.110)) section 56 of this act.
 - (2) A person is deemed to have notice of a restraining order if:
- 18 (a) The person to be restrained or the person's attorney signed 19 the order;
- 20 (b) The order recites that the person to be restrained or the 21 person's attorney appeared in person before the court;
 - (c) The order was served upon the person to be restrained; or
 - (d) The peace officer gives the person oral or written evidence of the order by reading from it or handing to the person a certified copy of the original order, certified to be an accurate copy of the original by a notary public or by the clerk of the court.
- 27 (3) A peace officer shall verify the existence of a restraining 28 order by:
- 29 (a) Obtaining information confirming the existence and terms of 30 the order from a law enforcement agency; or
- 31 (b) Obtaining a certified copy of the order, certified to be an 32 accurate copy of the original by a notary public or by the clerk of 33 the court.
- 34 (4) A peace officer shall arrest and take into custody, pending 35 release on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person 36 without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe 37 that:
 - (a) A restraining order has been issued under this chapter;

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1 (b) The respondent or person to be restrained knows of the order; 2 and

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- (c) The person to be arrested has violated the terms of the order restraining the person from acts or threats of violence or restraining the person from going onto the grounds of or entering the residence, workplace, school, or day care of another, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location.
- 9 (5) It is a defense to prosecution under subsection (1) of this 10 section that the court order was issued contrary to law or court 11 rule.
- 12 (6) No peace officer may be held criminally or civilly liable for 13 making an arrest under subsection (4) of this section if the officer 14 acts in good faith and without malice.
- 15 **Sec. 145.** RCW 26.12.260 and 2008 c 6 s 1047 are each amended to 16 read as follows:
 - (1) After July 1, 2009, but no later than November 1, 2009, a county may, and to the extent state funding is provided to meet the minimum requirements of the program a county shall, create a program to provide services to all parties involved in proceedings under chapter 26.09 RCW. Minimum components of this program shall include: (a) An individual to serve as an initial point of contact for parties filing petitions for dissolutions or legal separations under chapter 26.09 RCW; (b) informing parties about courthouse facilitation programs and orientations; (c) informing parties of alternatives to filing a dissolution petition, such as marriage or domestic partnership counseling; (d) informing parties of alternatives to litigation including counseling, legal separation, and mediation services if appropriate; (e) informing parties of supportive family services available in the community; (f) screening for referral for services in the areas of domestic violence as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act, child abuse, substance abuse, and mental health; and (g) assistance to the court in superior court cases filed under chapter 26.09 RCW.
 - (2) This program shall not provide legal advice. No attorney-client relationship or privilege is created, by implication or by inference, between persons providing basic information under this section and the participants in the program.

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(3) The legislative authority of any county may impose user fees or may impose a surcharge of up to twenty dollars on only those superior court cases filed under this title, or both, to pay for the expenses of this program. Fees collected under this section shall be collected and deposited in the same manner as other county funds are collected and deposited, and shall be maintained in a separate account to be used as provided in this section. The program shall provide services to indigent persons at no expense.

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- 9 (4) Persons who implement the program shall be appointed in the 10 same manner as investigators, stenographers, and clerks as described 11 in RCW 26.12.050.
 - (5) If the county has a program under this section, any petition under RCW 26.09.020 must allege that the moving party met and conferred with the program prior to the filing of the petition.
- 15 (6) If the county has a program under this section, parties shall 16 meet and confer with the program prior to participation in mediation 17 under RCW 26.09.016.
- 18 **Sec. 146.** RCW 26.12.802 and 2019 c 46 s 5023 are each amended to 19 read as follows:
- The administrative office of the courts shall conduct a unified family court pilot program.
- 22 (1) Pilot program sites shall be selected through a request for 23 proposal process, and shall be established in no more than three 24 superior court judicial districts.
 - (2) To be eligible for consideration as a pilot project site, judicial districts must have a statutorily authorized judicial complement of at least five judges.
 - (3) The administrative office of the courts shall develop criteria for the unified family court pilot program. The pilot program shall include:
- 31 (a) All case types under Title 13 RCW, chapters 26.09, ((26.10,))
 32 26.12, 26.18, 26.19, 26.20, 26.26A, 26.26B, ((26.50,)) 26.27, and
 33 28A.225 RCW, and domestic violence protection order cases under
 34 chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this
 35 act);
- 36 (b) Unified family court judicial officers, who volunteer for the 37 program, and meet training requirements established by local court 38 rule;

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(c) Case management practices that provide a flexible response to the diverse court-related needs of families involved in multiple areas of the justice system. Case management practices should result in a reduction in process redundancies and an efficient use of time and resources, and create a system enabling multiple case type resolution by one judicial officer or judicial team;

- (d) A court facilitator to provide assistance to parties with matters before the unified family court; and
- (e) An emphasis on providing nonadversarial methods of dispute resolution such as a settlement conference, evaluative mediation by attorney mediators, and facilitative mediation by nonattorney mediators.
- (4) The administrative office of the courts shall publish and disseminate a state-approved listing of definitions of nonadversarial methods of dispute resolution so that court officials, practitioners, and users can choose the most appropriate process for the matter at hand.
- (5) The administrative office of the courts shall provide to the judicial districts selected for the pilot program the computer resources needed by each judicial district to implement the unified family court pilot program.
 - (6) The administrative office of the courts shall conduct a study of the pilot program measuring improvements in the judicial system's response to family involvement in the judicial system. The administrator for the courts shall report preliminary findings and final results of the study to the governor, the chief justice of the supreme court, and the legislature on a biennial basis. The initial report is due by July 1, 2000, and the final report is due by December 1, 2004.
- **Sec. 147.** RCW 26.26A.470 and 2019 c 46 s 1002 are each amended 31 to read as follows:
- 32 (1) In a proceeding under RCW 26.26A.400 through 26.26A.515, the 33 court may issue a temporary order for child support if the order is 34 consistent with law of this state other than this chapter and the 35 individual ordered to pay support is:
 - (a) A presumed parent of the child;
 - (b) Petitioning to be adjudicated a parent;
- 38 (c) Identified as a genetic parent through genetic testing under 39 RCW 26.26A.325;

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- 1 (d) An alleged genetic parent who has declined to submit to 2 genetic testing;
 - (e) Shown by clear and convincing evidence to be a parent of the child; or
 - (f) A parent under this chapter.

- (2) A temporary order may include a provision for parenting time and visitation under law of this state other than this chapter.
- (3) Any party may request the court to issue a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction, providing relief proper in the circumstances, and restraining or enjoining any party from:
 - (a) Molesting or disturbing the peace of another party;
- (b) Going onto the grounds of or entering the home, workplace, or school of another party or the day care or school of any child;
- (c) Knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle; and
 - (d) Removing a child from the jurisdiction of the court.
- (4) Either party may request a domestic violence protection order ((under chapter 26.50 RCW)) or an antiharassment protection order under chapter ((10.14)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) on a temporary basis. The court may grant any of the relief provided in ((RCW 26.50.060)) section 39 of this act except relief pertaining to residential provisions for the children which provisions shall be provided for under this chapter((, and any of the relief provided in RCW 10.14.080)). Ex parte orders issued under this subsection shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed fourteen days, or upon court order, not to exceed twenty-four days if necessary to ensure that all temporary motions in the case can be heard at the same time.
- (5) Restraining orders issued under this section restraining or enjoining the person from molesting or disturbing another party, or from going onto the grounds of or entering the home, workplace, or school of the other party or the day care or school of any child, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, shall prominently bear on the front page of the order the legend: VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER WITH ACTUAL NOTICE OF ITS TERMS IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE UNDER CHAPTER ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of
- 40 <u>this act)</u> AND WILL SUBJECT A VIOLATOR TO ARREST.

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- bearing a criminal offense legend, any domestic violence protection order, or any antiharassment protection order granted under this section be forwarded by the clerk of the court on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. The order is fully enforceable in any county in the state.
- (7) If a restraining order issued pursuant to this section is modified or terminated, the clerk of the court shall notify the law enforcement agency specified in the order on or before the next judicial day. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from any computer-based criminal intelligence information system.
- (8) The court may issue a temporary restraining order without requiring notice to the other party only if it finds on the basis of the moving affidavit or other evidence that irreparable injury could result if an order is not issued until the time for responding has elapsed.
- (9) The court may issue a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction and an order for temporary support in such amounts and on such terms as are just and proper in the circumstances. In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800.
- 27 (10) A temporary order, temporary restraining order, or 28 preliminary injunction:
 - (a) Does not prejudice the rights of a party or any child which are to be adjudicated at subsequent hearings in the proceeding;
 - (b) May be revoked or modified;

- (c) Terminates when the final order is entered or when the petition is dismissed; and
- (d) May be entered in a proceeding for the modification of an existing order.
 - (11) A support debt owed to the state for public assistance expenditures which has been charged against a party pursuant to RCW 74.20A.040 and/or 74.20A.055 shall not be merged in, or otherwise extinguished by, the final decree or order, unless the office of support enforcement has been given notice of the final proceeding and

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an opportunity to present its claim for the support debt to the court and has failed to file an affidavit as provided in this subsection. Notice of the proceeding shall be served upon the office of support enforcement personally, or by certified mail, and shall be given no fewer than thirty days prior to the date of the final proceeding. An original copy of the notice shall be filed with the court either before service or within a reasonable time thereafter. The office of support enforcement may present its claim, and thereby preserve the support debt, by filing an affidavit setting forth the amount of the

12 (12) Any party may request the court to issue any order 13 referenced by RCW 9.41.800.

debt with the court, and by mailing a copy of the affidavit to the

parties or their attorney prior to the date of the final proceeding.

- **Sec. 148.** RCW 26.26B.020 and 2019 c 46 s 5028 are each amended 15 to read as follows:
 - (1) The judgment and order of the court determining the existence or nonexistence of the parent and child relationship shall be determinative for all purposes.
 - (2) If the judgment and order of the court is at variance with the child's birth certificate, the court shall order that an amended birth certificate be issued.
 - (3) The judgment and order shall contain other appropriate provisions directed to the appropriate parties to the proceeding, concerning the duty of current and future support, the extent of any liability for past support furnished to the child if that issue is before the court, the furnishing of bond or other security for the payment of the judgment, or any other matter in the best interest of the child. The judgment and order may direct one parent to pay the reasonable expenses of the mother's pregnancy and childbirth. The judgment and order may include a continuing restraining order or injunction. In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800.
 - (4) The judgment and order shall contain a provision that each party must file with the court and the Washington state child support registry and update as necessary the information required in the confidential information form required by RCW 26.23.050.
 - (5) Support judgment and orders shall be for periodic payments which may vary in amount. The court may limit the parent's liability for the past support to the child to the proportion of the expenses

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already incurred as the court deems just. The court shall not limit or affect in any manner the right of nonparties including the state of Washington to seek reimbursement for support and other services previously furnished to the child.

- (6) After considering all relevant factors, the court shall order either or both parents to pay an amount determined pursuant to the schedule and standards contained in chapter 26.19 RCW.
- (7) On the same basis as provided in chapter 26.09 RCW, the court shall make residential provisions with regard to minor children of the parties, except that a parenting plan shall not be required unless requested by a party. If a parenting plan or residential schedule was not entered at the time the order establishing parentage was entered, a parent may move the court for entry of a parenting plan or residential schedule:
- (a) By filing a motion and proposed parenting plan or residential schedule and providing notice to the other parent and other persons who have residential time with the child pursuant to a court order: PROVIDED, That at the time of filing the motion less than twenty-four months have passed since entry of the order establishing parentage and that the proposed parenting plan or residential schedule does not change the designation of the parent with whom the child spends the majority of time; or
- (b) By filing a petition for modification under RCW 26.09.260 or petition to establish a parenting plan, residential schedule, or residential provisions.
- (8) In any dispute between the persons claiming parentage of a child and a person or persons who have (a) commenced adoption proceedings or who have been granted an order of adoption, and (b) pursuant to a court order, or placement by the department of social and health services or by a licensed agency, have had actual custody of the child for a period of one year or more before court action is commenced by the persons claiming parentage, the court shall consider the best welfare and interests of the child, including the child's need for situation stability, in determining the matter of custody, and the parent or person who is more fit shall have the superior right to custody.
- (9) In entering an order under this chapter or chapter 26.26A RCW, the court may issue any necessary continuing restraining orders, including the restraint provisions of domestic violence protection orders ((under chapter 26.50 RCW)) or antiharassment protection

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orders under chapter ((10.14)) 7.-- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act).

- (10) Restraining orders issued under this section restraining or enjoining the person from molesting or disturbing another party, from going onto the grounds of or entering the home, workplace, or school of the other party or the day care or school of any child, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, shall prominently bear on the front page of the order the legend: VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER WITH ACTUAL NOTICE OF ITS TERMS IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE UNDER CHAPTER ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) AND WILL SUBJECT A VIOLATOR TO ARREST.
- (11) The court shall order that any restraining order bearing a criminal offense legend, any domestic violence protection order, or any antiharassment protection order granted under this section be forwarded by the clerk of the court on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the order, the law enforcement agency shall forthwith enter the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. The order is fully enforceable in any county in the state.
- (12) If a restraining order issued pursuant to this section is modified or terminated, the clerk of the court shall notify the law enforcement agency specified in the order on or before the next judicial day. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from any computer-based criminal intelligence system.
- **Sec. 149.** RCW 26.26B.050 and 2019 c 46 s 5030 are each amended 31 to read as follows:
 - (1) Whenever a restraining order is issued under this chapter or chapter 26.26A RCW, and the person to be restrained knows of the order, a violation of the provisions restricting the person from acts or threats of violence or of a provision restraining the person from going onto the grounds of or entering the residence, workplace, school, or day care of another, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected

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party's vehicle, is punishable under ((RCW 26.50.110)) section 56 of
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- (2) A person is deemed to have notice of a restraining order if:
- 4 (a) The person to be restrained or the person's attorney signed 5 the order;
- 6 (b) The order recites that the person to be restrained or the 7 person's attorney appeared in person before the court;
 - (c) The order was served upon the person to be restrained; or
- 9 (d) The peace officer gives the person oral or written evidence 10 of the order by reading from it or handing to the person a certified 11 copy of the original order, certified to be an accurate copy of the 12 original by a notary public or by the clerk of the court.
- 13 (3) A peace officer shall verify the existence of a restraining 14 order by:
- 15 (a) Obtaining information confirming the existence and terms of 16 the order from a law enforcement agency; or
- 17 (b) Obtaining a certified copy of the order, certified to be an accurate copy of the original by a notary public or by the clerk of the court.
 - (4) A peace officer shall arrest and take into custody, pending release on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that:
- 24 (a) A restraining order has been issued under this chapter or 25 chapter 26.26A RCW;
- 26 (b) The respondent or person to be restrained knows of the order; 27 and
 - (c) The person to be arrested has violated the terms of the order restraining the person from acts or threats of violence or restraining the person from going onto the grounds of or entering the residence, workplace, school, or day care of another, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle.
- 35 (5) It is a defense to prosecution under subsection (1) of this 36 section that the court order was issued contrary to law or court 37 rule.
- 38 (6) No peace officer may be held criminally or civilly liable for 39 making an arrest under subsection (4) of this section if the officer 40 acts in good faith and without malice.

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Sec. 150. RCW 26.28.015 and 1992 c 111 s 12 are each amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and except as provided under ((RCW 26.50.020)) section 14 of this act, all persons shall be deemed and taken to be of full age for the specific purposes hereafter enumerated at the age of eighteen years:

- (1) To enter into any marriage contract without parental consent if otherwise qualified by law;
- (2) To execute a will for the disposition of both real and personal property if otherwise qualified by law;
- (3) To vote in any election if authorized by the Constitution and otherwise qualified by law;
- (4) To enter into any legal contractual obligation and to be legally bound thereby to the full extent as any other adult person;
- (5) To make decisions in regard to their own body and the body of their lawful issue whether natural born to or adopted by such person to the full extent allowed to any other adult person including but not limited to consent to surgical operations;
- 19 (6) To sue and be sued on any action to the full extent as any 20 other adult person in any of the courts of this state, without the 21 necessity for a guardian ad litem.
- **Sec. 151.** RCW 26.44.020 and 2019 c 172 s 5 are each amended to 23 read as follows:
 - The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
 - (1) "Abuse or neglect" means sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, or injury of a child by any person under circumstances which cause harm to the child's health, welfare, or safety, excluding conduct permitted under RCW 9A.16.100; or the negligent treatment or maltreatment of a child by a person responsible for or providing care to the child. An abused child is a child who has been subjected to child abuse or neglect as defined in this section.
 - (2) "Child" or "children" means any person under the age of eighteen years of age.
 - (3) "Child forensic interview" means a developmentally sensitive and legally sound method of gathering factual information regarding allegations of child abuse, child neglect, or exposure to violence. This interview is conducted by a competently trained, neutral

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professional utilizing techniques informed by research and best practice as part of a larger investigative process.

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- (4) "Child protective services" means those services provided by 3 the department designed to protect children from child abuse and 4 neglect and safeguard such children from future abuse and neglect, 5 6 and conduct investigations of child abuse and neglect reports. Investigations may be conducted regardless of the location of the 7 alleged abuse or neglect. Child protective services includes referral 8 to services to ameliorate conditions that endanger the welfare of 9 children, the coordination of necessary programs and services 10 relevant to the prevention, intervention, and treatment of child 11 12 abuse and neglect, and services to children to ensure that each child has a permanent home. In determining whether protective services 13 should be provided, the department shall not decline to provide such 14 services solely because of the child's unwillingness or developmental 15 16 inability to describe the nature and severity of the abuse or 17 neglect.
 - (5) "Child protective services section" means the child protective services section of the department.
 - (6) "Child who is a candidate for foster care" means a child who the department identifies as being at imminent risk of entering foster care but who can remain safely in the child's home or in a kinship placement as long as services or programs that are necessary to prevent entry of the child into foster care are provided, and includes but is not limited to a child whose adoption or guardianship arrangement is at risk of a disruption or dissolution that would result in a foster care placement. The term includes a child for whom there is reasonable cause to believe that any of the following circumstances exist:
- 30 (a) The child has been abandoned by the parent as defined in RCW 13.34.030 and the child's health, safety, and welfare is seriously endangered as a result;
 - (b) The child has been abused or neglected as defined in $\underline{\text{this}}$ chapter ((26.44 RCW)) and the child's health, safety, and welfare is seriously endangered as a result;
- 36 (c) There is no parent capable of meeting the child's needs such 37 that the child is in circumstances that constitute a serious danger 38 to the child's development;
 - (d) The child is otherwise at imminent risk of harm.

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(7) "Children's advocacy center" means a child-focused facility in good standing with the state chapter for children's advocacy centers and that coordinates a multidisciplinary process for the investigation, prosecution, and treatment of sexual and other types of child abuse. Children's advocacy centers provide a location for forensic interviews and coordinate access to services such as, but not limited to, medical evaluations, advocacy, therapy, and case review by multidisciplinary teams within the context of county protocols as defined in RCW 26.44.180 and 26.44.185.

- (8) "Clergy" means any regularly licensed or ordained minister, priest, or rabbi of any church or religious denomination, whether acting in an individual capacity or as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or institution.
- 14 (9) "Court" means the superior court of the state of Washington, 15 juvenile department.
- 16 (10) "Department" means the department of children, youth, and 17 families.
 - (11) "Family assessment" means a comprehensive assessment of child safety, risk of subsequent child abuse or neglect, and family strengths and needs that is applied to a child abuse or neglect report. Family assessment does not include a determination as to whether child abuse or neglect occurred, but does determine the need for services to address the safety of the child and the risk of subsequent maltreatment.
 - (12) "Family assessment response" means a way of responding to certain reports of child abuse or neglect made under this chapter using a differential response approach to child protective services. The family assessment response shall focus on the safety of the child, the integrity and preservation of the family, and shall assess the status of the child and the family in terms of risk of abuse and neglect including the parent's or guardian's or other caretaker's capacity and willingness to protect the child and, if necessary, plan and arrange the provision of services to reduce the risk and otherwise support the family. No one is named as a perpetrator, and no investigative finding is entered in the record as a result of a family assessment.
- 37 (13) "Founded" means the determination following an investigation 38 by the department that, based on available information, it is more 39 likely than not that child abuse or neglect did occur.

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(14) "Inconclusive" means the determination following an investigation by the department of social and health services, prior to October 1, 2008, that based on available information a decision cannot be made that more likely than not, child abuse or neglect did or did not occur.

- (15) "Institution" means a private or public hospital or any other facility providing medical diagnosis, treatment, or care.
- (16) "Law enforcement agency" means the police department, the prosecuting attorney, the state patrol, the director of public safety, or the office of the sheriff.
- (17) "Malice" or "maliciously" means an intent, wish, or design to intimidate, annoy, or injure another person. Such malice may be inferred from an act done in willful disregard of the rights of another, or an act wrongfully done without just cause or excuse, or an act or omission of duty betraying a willful disregard of social duty.
- (18) "Negligent treatment or maltreatment" means an act or a failure to act, or the cumulative effects of a pattern of conduct, behavior, or inaction, that evidences a serious disregard of consequences of such magnitude as to constitute a clear and present danger to a child's health, welfare, or safety, including but not limited to conduct prohibited under RCW 9A.42.100. When considering whether a clear and present danger exists, evidence of a parent's substance abuse as a contributing factor to negligent treatment or maltreatment shall be given great weight. The fact that siblings share a bedroom is not, in and of itself, negligent treatment or maltreatment. Poverty, homelessness, or exposure to domestic violence as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act that is perpetrated against someone other than the child does not constitute negligent treatment or maltreatment in and of itself.
- (19) "Pharmacist" means any registered pharmacist under chapter 18.64 RCW, whether acting in an individual capacity or as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or institution.
- (20) "Practitioner of the healing arts" or "practitioner" means a person licensed by this state to practice podiatric medicine and surgery, optometry, chiropractic, nursing, dentistry, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or medicine and surgery or to provide other health services. The term "practitioner" includes a duly accredited Christian Science practitioner. A person who is being furnished Christian Science treatment by a duly accredited Christian Science

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practitioner will not be considered, for that reason alone, a neglected person for the purposes of this chapter.

- (21) "Prevention and family services and programs" means specific mental health prevention and treatment services, substance abuse prevention and treatment services, and in-home parent skill-based programs that qualify for federal funding under the federal family first prevention services act, P.L. 115-123. For purposes of this chapter, prevention and family services and programs are not remedial services or family reunification services as described in RCW 13.34.025(2).
- 11 (22) "Professional school personnel" include, but are not limited 12 to, teachers, counselors, administrators, child care facility 13 personnel, and school nurses.
 - (23) "Psychologist" means any person licensed to practice psychology under chapter 18.83 RCW, whether acting in an individual capacity or as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or institution.
 - (24) "Screened-out report" means a report of alleged child abuse or neglect that the department has determined does not rise to the level of a credible report of abuse or neglect and is not referred for investigation.
 - (25) "Sexual exploitation" includes: (a) Allowing, permitting, or encouraging a child to engage in prostitution by any person; or (b) allowing, permitting, encouraging, or engaging in the obscene or pornographic photographing, filming, or depicting of a child by any person.
- 27 (26) "Sexually aggressive youth" means a child who is defined in 28 RCW 74.13.075(1)(b) as being a sexually aggressive youth.
 - (27) "Social service counselor" means anyone engaged in a professional capacity during the regular course of employment in encouraging or promoting the health, welfare, support, or education of children, or providing social services to adults or families, including mental health, drug and alcohol treatment, and domestic violence programs, whether in an individual capacity, or as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or institution.
- 37 (28) "Unfounded" means the determination following an 38 investigation by the department that available information indicates 39 that, more likely than not, child abuse or neglect did not occur, or

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- 1 that there is insufficient evidence for the department to determine
- 2 whether the alleged child abuse did or did not occur.
- 3 **Sec. 152.** RCW 26.51.020 and 2020 c 311 s 2 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- 5 The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter 6 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 7 (1) "Abusive litigation" means litigation where the following 8 apply:
- 9 (a)(i) The opposing parties have a current or former intimate 10 partner relationship;
- 11 The party who is filing, initiating, advancing, or (ii)continuing the litigation has been found by a court to have committed 12 domestic violence against the other party pursuant to: (A) An order 13 entered under ((this)) chapter 7.--- (the new chapter created in 14 section 81 of this act) or 26.50 RCW; (B) a parenting plan with 15 16 restrictions based on RCW 26.09.191(2)(a)(iii); or (C) a restraining order entered under chapter 26.09, ((26.26, or)) 26.26A, or 26.26B 17 18 RCW, provided that the issuing court made a specific finding that the restraining order was necessary due to domestic violence; and 19
- 20 (iii) The litigation is being initiated, advanced, or continued 21 primarily for the purpose of harassing, intimidating, or maintaining 22 contact with the other party; and
 - (b) At least one of the following factors apply:

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- (i) Claims, allegations, and other legal contentions made in the litigation are not warranted by existing law or by a reasonable argument for the extension, modification, or reversal of existing law, or the establishment of new law;
- (ii) Allegations and other factual contentions made in the litigation are without the existence of evidentiary support; or
- 30 (iii) An issue or issues that are the basis of the litigation 31 have previously been filed in one or more other courts or 32 jurisdictions and the actions have been litigated and disposed of 33 unfavorably to the party filing, initiating, advancing, or continuing 34 the litigation.
- 35 (2) "Intimate partner" is defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 36 of this act.
- 37 (3) "Litigation" means any kind of legal action or proceeding 38 including, but not limited to: (((i) [(a)])) <u>(a)</u> Filing a summons, 39 complaint, demand, or petition; (((ii) [(b)])) <u>(b)</u> serving a summons,

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- complaint, demand, or petition, regardless of whether it has been filed; $((\frac{(iii)-[(c)]}))$ (c) filing a motion, notice of court date, note for motion docket, or order to appear; $((\frac{\text{(iv)}}{\text{(d)}}))$ serving a motion, notice of court date, note for motion docket, or order to appear, regardless of whether it has been filed or scheduled; $((\frac{v}{[e]}))$ (e) filing a subpoena, subpoena duces tecum, request for interrogatories, request for production, notice of deposition, or other discovery request; or $((\frac{(vi)}{(f)}))$ (f) serving a subpoena, subpoena duces tecum, request for interrogatories, request for production, notice of deposition, or other discovery request.
- 12 (4) "Perpetrator of abusive litigation" means a person who files, 13 initiates, advances, or continues litigation in violation of an order 14 restricting abusive litigation.
- **Sec. 153.** RCW 26.52.010 and 1999 c 184 s 3 are each amended to 16 read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "Domestic or family violence" includes, but is not limited to, conduct when committed by one family member against another that is classified in the jurisdiction where the conduct occurred as a domestic violence crime or a crime committed in another jurisdiction that under the laws of this state would be classified as domestic violence under RCW 10.99.020.
- (2) "Family ((or household)) members" means ((spouses, former spouses, persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time, adult persons related by blood or marriage, adult persons who are presently residing together or who have resided together in the past, persons sixteen years of age or older who are presently residing together or who have resided together in the past and who have or have had a dating relationship, persons sixteen years of age or older with whom a person sixteen years of age or older has or has had a dating relationship, and persons who have a biological or legal parent-child relationship, including stepparents and stepchildren and grandparents and grandchildren)) intimate partners and family or household members as those terms are defined in section 2 of this act.
- (3) "Foreign protection order" means an injunction or other order related to domestic or family violence, harassment, sexual abuse, or

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stalking, for the purpose of preventing violent or threatening acts or harassment against, or contact or communication with or physical proximity to another person issued by a court of another state, territory, or possession of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia, or any United States military tribunal, or a tribal court, in a civil or criminal action.

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- (4) "Harassment" includes, but is not limited to, conduct that is classified in the jurisdiction where the conduct occurred as harassment or a crime committed in another jurisdiction that under the laws of this state would be classified as harassment under RCW 9A.46.040.
- 12 (5) "Judicial day" does not include Saturdays, Sundays, or legal 13 holidays in Washington state.
 - (6) "Person entitled to protection" means a person, regardless of whether the person was the moving party in the foreign jurisdiction, who is benefited by the foreign protection order.
 - (7) "Person under restraint" means a person, regardless of whether the person was the responding party in the foreign jurisdiction, whose ability to contact or communicate with another person, or to be physically close to another person, is restricted by the foreign protection order.
 - (8) "Sexual abuse" includes, but is not limited to, conduct that is classified in the jurisdiction where the conduct occurred as a sex offense or a crime committed in another jurisdiction that under the laws of this state would be classified as a sex offense under RCW 9.94A.030.
 - (9) "Stalking" includes, but is not limited to, conduct that is classified in the jurisdiction where the conduct occurred as stalking or a crime committed in another jurisdiction that under the laws of this state would be classified as stalking under RCW 9A.46.110.
- 31 (10) "Washington court" includes the superior, district, and 32 municipal courts of the state of Washington.
- 33 **Sec. 154.** RCW 26.52.070 and 2000 c 119 s 26 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Whenever a foreign protection order is granted to a person entitled to protection and the person under restraint knows of the foreign protection order, a violation of a provision prohibiting the person under restraint from contacting or communicating with another person, or of a provision excluding the person under restraint from a

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- residence, workplace, school, or day care, or of a provision prohibiting a person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, or a violation of any provision for which the foreign protection order specifically indicates that a violation will be a crime, is punishable under ((RCW 26.50.110)) section 56 of this act.
- (2) A peace officer shall arrest without a warrant and take into 8 custody a person when the peace officer has probable cause to believe 9 that a foreign protection order has been issued of which the person 10 11 under restraint has knowledge and the person under restraint has 12 violated a provision of the foreign protection order that prohibits the person under restraint from contacting or communicating with 13 another person, or a provision that excludes the person under 14 restraint from a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or of a 15 16 provision prohibiting a person from knowingly coming within, or 17 knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, \underline{a} protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, or a 18 violation of any provision for which the foreign protection order 19 specifically indicates that a violation will be a crime. Presence of 20 21 the order in the law enforcement computer-based criminal intelligence 22 information system is not the only means of establishing knowledge of 23 the order.
- 24 **Sec. 155.** RCW 36.18.020 and 2018 c 269 s 17 are each amended to 25 read as follows:

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- (1) Revenue collected under this section is subject to division with the state under RCW 36.18.025 and with the county or regional law library fund under RCW 27.24.070, except as provided in subsection (5) of this section.
- 30 (2) Clerks of superior courts shall collect the following fees 31 for their official services:
 - (a) In addition to any other fee required by law, the party filing the first or initial document in any civil action, including, but not limited to an action for restitution, adoption, or change of name, and any party filing a counterclaim, cross-claim, or third-party claim in any such civil action, shall pay, at the time the document is filed, a fee of two hundred dollars except, in an unlawful detainer action under chapter 59.18 or 59.20 RCW for which the plaintiff shall pay a case initiating filing fee of forty-five

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dollars, or in proceedings filed under RCW 28A.225.030 alleging a 1 violation of the compulsory attendance laws where the petitioner shall not pay a filing fee. The forty-five dollar filing fee under this subsection for an unlawful detainer action shall not include an order to show cause or any other order or judgment except a default order or default judgment in an unlawful detainer action.

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- (b) Any party, except a defendant in a criminal case, filing the first or initial document on an appeal from a court of limited jurisdiction or any party on any civil appeal, shall pay, when the document is filed, a fee of two hundred dollars.
- (c) For filing of a petition for judicial review as required under RCW 34.05.514 a filing fee of two hundred dollars.
- (d) ((For filing of a petition for unlawful harassment under RCW 10.14.040 a filing fee of fifty-three dollars.
- (e))) For filing the notice of debt due for the compensation of a crime victim under RCW 7.68.120(2)(a) a fee of two hundred dollars.
- $((\frac{f}{f}))$ <u>(e)</u> In probate proceedings, the party instituting such proceedings, shall pay at the time of filing the first document therein, a fee of two hundred dollars.
- $((\frac{g}{g}))$ (f) For filing any petition to contest a will admitted to probate or a petition to admit a will which has been rejected, or a petition objecting to a written agreement or memorandum as provided in RCW 11.96A.220, there shall be paid a fee of two hundred dollars.
- $((\frac{h}{h}))$ (g) Upon conviction or plea of guilty, upon failure to prosecute an appeal from a court of limited jurisdiction as provided by law, or upon affirmance of a conviction by a court of limited jurisdiction, an adult defendant in a criminal case shall be liable for a fee of two hundred dollars, except this fee shall not be imposed on a defendant who is indigent as defined in RCW 10.101.010(3) (a) through (c).
- $((\frac{1}{2}))$ (h) With the exception of demands for jury hereafter made and garnishments hereafter issued, civil actions and probate proceedings filed prior to midnight, July 1, 1972, shall be completed and governed by the fee schedule in effect as of January 1, 1972. However, no fee shall be assessed if an order of dismissal on the clerk's record be filed as provided by rule of the supreme court.
- (3) No fee shall be collected when a petition for relinquishment of parental rights is filed pursuant to RCW 26.33.080 or for forms and instructional brochures provided under ((RCW 26.50.030)) section 16 of this act.

p. 288 HB 1320 (4) No fee shall be collected when an abstract of judgment is filed by the county clerk of another county for the purposes of collection of legal financial obligations.

- (5) (a) Until July 1, 2021, in addition to the fees required to be collected under this section, clerks of the superior courts must collect surcharges as provided in this subsection (5) of which seventy-five percent must be remitted to the state treasurer for deposit in the judicial stabilization trust account and twenty-five percent must be retained by the county.
- 10 (b) On filing fees required to be collected under subsection 11 (2)(b) of this section, a surcharge of thirty dollars must be 12 collected.
- 13 (c) On all filing fees required to be collected under this section, except for fees required under subsection (2)(b)($(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{r})$) and $(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{r})$ of this section, a surcharge of forty dollars must be collected.
- **Sec. 156.** RCW 36.28A.410 and 2019 c 263 s 915 and 2019 c 46 s 18 5041 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) (a) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs shall create and operate a statewide automated protected person notification system to automatically notify a registered person via the registered person's choice of telephone or email when a respondent subject to a court order specified in (b) of this subsection has attempted to purchase or acquire a firearm and been denied based on a background check or completed and submitted firearm purchase or transfer application that indicates the respondent is ineligible to possess a firearm under state or federal law. The system must permit a person to register for notification, or a registered person to update the person's registration information, for the statewide automated protected person notification system by calling a toll-free telephone number or by accessing a public website.
 - (b) The notification requirements of this section apply to any court order issued under chapter 7.--- (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) or 7.92 RCW and RCW 7.90.090, 9A.46.080, 10.14.080, 10.99.040, 10.99.045, 26.09.050, 26.09.060, 26.10.040, 26.10.115, 26.26A.470, 26.26B.020, 26.50.060, or 26.50.070, any foreign protection order filed with a Washington court pursuant to

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- 1 chapter 26.52 RCW, and any Canadian domestic violence protection order filed with a Washington court pursuant to chapter 26.55 RCW, 2 where the order prohibits the respondent from possessing firearms or 3 where by operation of law the respondent is ineligible to possess 4 firearms during the term of the order. The notification requirements 5 6 of this section apply even if the respondent has notified the 7 Washington state patrol that he or she has appealed a background check denial under RCW 43.43.823. 8
- (2) An appointed or elected official, public employee, or public 9 agency as defined in RCW 4.24.470, or combination of units of 10 government and its employees, as provided in RCW 36.28A.010, are 11 12 immune from civil liability for damages for any release of information or the failure to release information related to the 13 statewide automated protected person notification system in this 14 section, so long as the release or failure to release was without 15 16 gross negligence. The immunity provided under this subsection applies 17 to the release of relevant and necessary information to other public 18 officials, public employees, or public agencies, and to the general 19 public.
- 20 (3) Information and records prepared, owned, used, or retained by the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs pursuant to chapter 261, Laws of 2017, including information a person submits to register and participate in the statewide automated protected person notification system, are exempt from public inspection and copying under chapter 42.56 RCW.
- 26 **Sec. 157.** RCW 41.04.655 and 2020 c 29 s 14 and 2020 c 6 s 1 are 27 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout RCW 41.04.650 through 41.04.670, 30 28A.400.380, and section 7, chapter 93, Laws of 1989.
- 31 (1) "Domestic violence" means any of the following acts committed 32 by one family or household member against another or by one intimate 33 partner against another, as those terms are defined in RCW 34 ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020:
- 35 (a) Physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of 36 fear of imminent physical harm, bodily injury, or assault;
 - (b) Sexual assault; or

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(c) Stalking as defined in RCW 9A.46.110.

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- 1 (2) "Employee" means any employee of the state, including 2 employees of school districts and educational service districts, who 3 are entitled to accrue sick leave or annual leave and for whom 4 accurate leave records are maintained.
- 5 (3) "Parental leave" means leave to bond and care for a newborn 6 child after birth or to bond and care for a child after placement for 7 adoption or foster care.
- 8 (4) "Pregnancy disability" means a pregnancy-related medical 9 condition or miscarriage.
- 10 (5) "Program" means the leave sharing program established in RCW 11 41.04.660.

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- (6) "Service in the uniformed services" means the performance of duty on a voluntary or involuntary basis in a uniformed service under competent authority and includes active duty, active duty for training, initial active duty for training, inactive duty training, full-time national guard duty including state-ordered active duty, and a period for which a person is absent from a position of employment for the purpose of an examination to determine the fitness of the person to perform any such duty.
- 20 (7) "Sexual assault" has the same meaning as set forth in RCW 21 70.125.030.
- 22 (8) "Stalking" has the same meaning as set forth in RCW 23 9A.46.110.
 - (9) "State agency" or "agency" means departments, offices, agencies, or institutions of state government, the legislature, institutions of higher education, school districts, and educational service districts.
 - (10) "Uniformed services" means the armed forces, the army national guard, and the air national guard of any state, territory, commonwealth, possession, or district when engaged in active duty for training, inactive duty training, full-time national guard duty, or state active duty, the commissioned corps of the public health service, the coast guard, and any other category of persons designated by the president of the United States in time of war or national emergency.
- 36 (11) "Victim" means a person against whom domestic violence, 37 sexual assault, or stalking has been committed as defined in this 38 section.

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- 1 **Sec. 158.** RCW 43.43.754 and 2020 c 26 s 7 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
- 3 (1) A biological sample must be collected for purposes of DNA identification analysis from:
- 5 (a) Every adult or juvenile individual convicted of a felony, or 6 any of the following crimes (or equivalent juvenile offenses):
- 7 (i) Assault in the fourth degree where domestic violence as 8 defined in RCW 9.94A.030 was pleaded and proven (RCW 9A.36.041, 9 9.94A.030);
- 10 (ii) Assault in the fourth degree with sexual motivation (RCW 11 9A.36.041, 9.94A.835);
- 12 (iii) Communication with a minor for immoral purposes (RCW 13 9.68A.090);
- 14 (iv) Custodial sexual misconduct in the second degree (RCW 15 9A.44.170);
- 16 (v) Failure to register (chapter 9A.44 RCW);
- 17 (vi) Harassment (RCW 9A.46.020);
- 18 (vii) Patronizing a prostitute (RCW 9A.88.110);
- 19 (viii) Sexual misconduct with a minor in the second degree (RCW 20 9A.44.096);
- 21 (ix) Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110);
- 22 (x) Indecent exposure (RCW 9A.88.010);
- 23 (xi) Violation of a sexual assault protection order granted under 24 chapter <u>7.---</u> (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) or 25 7.90 RCW; and
- 26 (b) Every adult or juvenile individual who is required to 27 register under RCW 9A.44.130.
- 28 (2)(a) A municipal jurisdiction may also submit any biological 29 sample to the laboratory services bureau of the Washington state 30 patrol for purposes of DNA identification analysis when:
- 31 (i) The sample was collected from a defendant upon conviction for 32 a municipal offense where the underlying ordinance does not adopt the 33 relevant state statute by reference but the offense is otherwise 34 equivalent to an offense in subsection (1)(a) of this section;
- 35 (ii) The equivalent offense in subsection (1)(a) of this section 36 was an offense for which collection of a biological sample was 37 required under this section at the time of the conviction; and
- 38 (iii) The sample was collected on or after June 12, 2008, and 39 before January 1, 2020.

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(b) When submitting a biological sample under this subsection, the municipal jurisdiction must include a signed affidavit from the municipal prosecuting authority of the jurisdiction in which the conviction occurred specifying the state crime to which the municipal offense is equivalent.

- (3) Law enforcement may submit to the forensic laboratory services bureau of the Washington state patrol, for purposes of DNA identification analysis, any lawfully obtained biological sample within its control from a deceased offender who was previously convicted of an offense under subsection (1)(a) of this section, regardless of the date of conviction.
- (4) If the Washington state patrol crime laboratory already has a DNA sample from an individual for a qualifying offense, a subsequent submission is not required to be submitted.
- 15 (5) Biological samples shall be collected in the following 16 manner:
 - (a) For persons convicted of any offense listed in subsection (1)(a) of this section or adjudicated guilty of an equivalent juvenile offense, who do not serve a term of confinement in a department of corrections facility or a department of children, youth, and families facility, and are serving a term of confinement in a city or county jail facility, the city or county jail facility shall be responsible for obtaining the biological samples.
 - (b) The local police department or sheriff's office shall be responsible for obtaining the biological samples for:
 - (i) Persons convicted of any offense listed in subsection (1)(a) of this section or adjudicated guilty of an equivalent juvenile offense, who do not serve a term of confinement in a department of corrections facility, department of children, youth, and families facility, or a city or county jail facility; and
 - (ii) Persons who are required to register under RCW 9A.44.130.
 - (c) For persons convicted of any offense listed in subsection (1)(a) of this section or adjudicated guilty of an equivalent juvenile offense, who are serving or who are to serve a term of confinement in a department of corrections facility or a department of children, youth, and families facility, the facility holding the person shall be responsible for obtaining the biological samples as part of the intake process. If the facility did not collect the biological sample during the intake process, then the facility shall collect the biological sample as soon as is practicable. For those

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persons incarcerated before June 12, 2008, who have not yet had a biological sample collected, priority shall be given to those persons who will be released the soonest.

- (d) For persons convicted of any offense listed in subsection (1)(a) of this section or adjudicated guilty of an equivalent juvenile offense, who will not serve a term of confinement, the court shall: Order the person to report to the local police department or sheriff's office as provided under subsection (5)(b)(i) of this section within a reasonable period of time established by the court in order to provide a biological sample; or if the local police department or sheriff's office has a protocol for collecting the biological sample in the courtroom, order the person to immediately provide the biological sample to the local police department or sheriff's office before leaving the presence of the court. The court must further inform the person that refusal to provide a biological sample is a gross misdemeanor under this section.
 - (6) Any biological sample taken pursuant to RCW 43.43.752 through 43.43.758 may be retained by the forensic laboratory services bureau, and shall be used solely for the purpose of providing DNA or other tests for identification analysis and prosecution of a criminal offense or for the identification of human remains or missing persons. Nothing in this section prohibits the submission of results derived from the biological samples to the federal bureau of investigation combined DNA index system.
 - (7) The forensic laboratory services bureau of the Washington state patrol is responsible for testing performed on all biological samples that are collected under this section, to the extent allowed by funding available for this purpose. Known duplicate samples may be excluded from testing unless testing is deemed necessary or advisable by the director.
 - (8) This section applies to:

- (a) All adults and juveniles to whom this section applied prior to June 12, 2008;
- 34 (b) All adults and juveniles to whom this section did not apply 35 prior to June 12, 2008, who:
- 36 (i) Are convicted on or after June 12, 2008, of an offense listed 37 in subsection (1)(a) of this section on the date of conviction; or
- (ii) Were convicted prior to June 12, 2008, of an offense listed in subsection (1)(a) of this section and are still incarcerated on or after June 12, 2008;

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- 1 (c) All adults and juveniles who are required to register under 2 RCW 9A.44.130 on or after June 12, 2008, whether convicted before, 3 on, or after June 12, 2008; and
- 4 (d) All samples submitted under subsections (2) and (3) of this section.

- (9) This section creates no rights in a third person. No cause of action may be brought based upon the noncollection or nonanalysis or the delayed collection or analysis of a biological sample authorized to be taken under RCW 43.43.752 through 43.43.758.
- (10) The detention, arrest, or conviction of a person based upon a database match or database information is not invalidated if it is determined that the sample was obtained or placed in the database by mistake, or if the conviction or juvenile adjudication that resulted in the collection of the biological sample was subsequently vacated or otherwise altered in any future proceeding including but not limited to posttrial or postfact-finding motions, appeals, or collateral attacks. No cause of action may be brought against the state based upon the analysis of a biological sample authorized to be taken pursuant to a municipal ordinance if the conviction or adjudication that resulted in the collection of the biological sample was subsequently vacated or otherwise altered in any future proceeding including, but not limited to, posttrial or postfact-finding motions, appeals, or collateral attacks.
- 24 (11) A person commits the crime of refusal to provide DNA if the 25 person willfully refuses to comply with a legal request for a DNA 26 sample as required under this section. The refusal to provide DNA is 27 a gross misdemeanor.
- **Sec. 159.** RCW 43.43.842 and 2019 c 446 s 44 and 2019 c 444 s 22 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) (a) The secretary of social and health services and the secretary of health shall adopt additional requirements for the licensure or relicensure of agencies, facilities, and licensed individuals who provide care and treatment to vulnerable adults, including nursing pools registered under chapter 18.52C RCW. These additional requirements shall ensure that any person associated with a licensed agency or facility having unsupervised access with a vulnerable adult shall not be the respondent in an active ((protective)) vulnerable adult protection order under chapter 7.--RCW ((74.34.130)) (the new chapter created in section 81 of this

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act), nor have been: (i) Convicted of a crime against children or other persons as defined in RCW 43.43.830, except as provided in this section; (ii) convicted of crimes relating to financial exploitation as defined in RCW 43.43.830, except as provided in this section; or (iii) found in any disciplinary board final decision to have abused a vulnerable adult ((under)) as defined in RCW 43.43.830.

- (b) A person associated with a licensed agency or facility who has unsupervised access with a vulnerable adult shall make the disclosures specified in RCW 43.43.834(2). The person shall make the disclosures in writing, sign, and swear to the contents under penalty of perjury. The person shall, in the disclosures, specify all crimes against children or other persons, all crimes relating to financial exploitation, and all crimes relating to drugs as defined in RCW 43.43.830, committed by the person.
- (2) The rules adopted under this section shall permit the licensee to consider the criminal history of an applicant for employment in a licensed facility when the applicant has one or more convictions for a past offense and:
- (a) The offense was simple assault, assault in the fourth degree, or the same offense as it may be renamed, and three or more years have passed between the most recent conviction and the date of application for employment;
- (b) The offense was prostitution, or the same offense as it may be renamed, and three or more years have passed between the most recent conviction and the date of application for employment;
- (c) The offense was theft in the third degree, or the same offense as it may be renamed, and three or more years have passed between the most recent conviction and the date of application for employment;
- (d) The offense was theft in the second degree, or the same offense as it may be renamed, and five or more years have passed between the most recent conviction and the date of application for employment;
- (e) The offense was forgery, or the same offense as it may be renamed, and five or more years have passed between the most recent conviction and the date of application for employment;
- (f) The department of social and health services reviewed the employee's otherwise disqualifying criminal history through the department of social and health services' background assessment

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review team process conducted in 2002, and determined that such employee could remain in a position covered by this section; or

(g) The otherwise disqualifying conviction or disposition has been the subject of a pardon, annulment, or other equivalent procedure.

The offenses set forth in (a) through (g) of this subsection do not automatically disqualify an applicant from employment by a licensee. Nothing in this section may be construed to require the employment of any person against a licensee's judgment.

- (3) The rules adopted pursuant to subsection (2) of this section may not allow a licensee to automatically deny an applicant with a conviction for an offense set forth in subsection (2) of this section for a position as a substance use disorder professional or substance use disorder professional trainee certified under chapter 18.205 RCW if:
- 16 (a) At least one year has passed between the applicant's most 17 recent conviction for an offense set forth in subsection (2) of this 18 section and the date of application for employment;
 - (b) The offense was committed as a result of the applicant's substance use or untreated mental health symptoms; and
 - (c) The applicant is at least one year in recovery from a substance use disorder, whether through abstinence or stability on medication-assisted therapy, or in recovery from a mental health disorder.
 - (4) The rules adopted pursuant to subsection (2) of this section may not allow a licensee to automatically deny an applicant with a conviction for an offense set forth in subsection (2) of this section for a position as an agency affiliated counselor registered under chapter 18.19 RCW practicing as a peer counselor in an agency or facility if:
 - (a) At least one year has passed between the applicant's most recent conviction for an offense set forth in subsection (2) of this section and the date of application for employment;
 - (b) The offense was committed as a result of the person's substance use or untreated mental health symptoms; and
 - (c) The applicant is at least one year in recovery from a substance use disorder, whether through abstinence or stability on medication-assisted therapy, or in recovery from mental health challenges.

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- (5) In consultation with law enforcement personnel, the secretary of social and health services and the secretary of health shall investigate, or cause to be investigated, the conviction record and the protection proceeding record information under this chapter of the staff of each agency or facility under their respective jurisdictions seeking licensure or relicensure. An individual responding to a criminal background inquiry request from his or her employer or potential employer shall disclose the information about his or her criminal history under penalty of perjury. The secretaries shall use the information solely for the purpose of determining eligibility for licensure or relicensure. Criminal justice agencies shall provide the secretaries such information as they may have and that the secretaries may require for such purpose.
- **Sec. 160.** RCW 48.18.550 and 2020 c 29 s 15 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

- (1) No insurer shall deny or refuse to accept an application for insurance, refuse to insure, refuse to renew, cancel, restrict, or otherwise terminate a policy of insurance, or charge a different rate for the same coverage on the basis that the applicant or insured person is, has been, or may be a victim of domestic abuse.
- (2) Nothing in this section shall prevent an insurer from taking any of the actions set forth in subsection (1) of this section on the basis of loss history or medical condition or for any other reason not otherwise prohibited by this section, any other law, regulation, or rule.
- (3) Any form filed or filed after June 11, 1998, subject to RCW 48.18.120(1) or subject to a rule adopted under RCW 48.18.120(1) may exclude coverage for losses caused by intentional or fraudulent acts of any insured. Such an exclusion, however, shall not apply to deny an insured's otherwise-covered property loss if the property loss is caused by an act of domestic abuse by another insured under the policy, the insured claiming property loss files a police report and cooperates with any law enforcement investigation relating to the act of domestic abuse, and the insured claiming property loss did not cooperate in, or contribute to, the creation of the property loss. Payment by the insurer to an insured may be limited to the person's insurable interest in the property less payments made to a mortgagee or other party with a legal secured interest in the property. An insurer making payment to an insured under this section has all

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- rights of subrogation to recover against the perpetrator of the act that caused the loss.
- 3 (4) Nothing in this section prohibits an insurer from 4 investigating a claim and complying with chapter 48.30A RCW.
- 5 (5) For the purposes of this section, the following definitions 6 apply:
- 7 (a) "Domestic abuse" means: (i) Physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of fear of imminent physical harm, bodily 8 injury, or assault between family or household members or intimate 9 partners; (ii) sexual assault of one family or household member by 10 11 another or of one intimate partner by another; (iii) stalking as defined in RCW 9A.46.110 of one family or household member by another 12 or of one intimate partner by another; or (iv) intentionally, 13 14 knowingly, or recklessly causing damage to property so as to intimidate or attempt to control the behavior of another family or 15 16 household member or of another intimate partner.
- 17 (b) "Family or household member" has the same meaning as in RCW ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020.
- 19 (c) "Intimate partner" has the same meaning as in RCW ((26.50.010)) 10.99.020.
- 21 **Sec. 161.** RCW 49.76.020 and 2017 3rd sp.s. c 5 s 90 are each 22 amended to read as follows:
- The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 25 (1) "Child," "spouse," "parent," "parent-in-law," "grandparent,"
 26 and "sick leave and other paid time off" have the same meanings as in
 27 RCW 49.12.265.
- 28 (2) "Dating relationship" has the same meaning as in (($\frac{RCW}{29}$) section 2 of this act.
- 30 (3) "Department," "director," "employer," and "employee" have the 31 same meanings as in RCW 49.12.005.
- 32 (4) "Domestic violence" has the same meaning as in (($\frac{RCW}{33}$) section 2 of this act.
- 34 (5) "Family member" means any individual whose relationship to 35 the employee can be classified as a child, spouse, parent, parent-in-36 law, grandparent, or person with whom the employee has a dating 37 relationship.
- 38 (6) "Intermittent leave" is leave taken in separate blocks of 39 time due to a single qualifying reason.

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- 1 (7) "Reduced leave schedule" means a leave schedule that reduces 2 the usual number of hours per workweek, or hours per workday, of an 3 employee.
 - (8) "Sexual assault" has the same meaning as in RCW 70.125.030.
- 5 (9) "Stalking" has the same meaning as in RCW 9A.46.110.
- 6 Sec. 162. RCW 59.18.570 and 2009 c 395 s 1 are each reenacted 7 and amended to read as follows:
- 8 The definitions in this section apply throughout this section and 9 RCW 59.18.575 through 59.18.585 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 11 (1) "Credit reporting agency" has the same meaning as set forth 12 in RCW 19.182.010(5).
- 13 (2) "Domestic violence" has the same meaning as set forth in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act.
- 15 (3) "Household member" means a child or adult residing with the 16 tenant other than the perpetrator of domestic violence, stalking, or 17 sexual assault.
- 18 (4) "Landlord" has the same meaning as in RCW 59.18.030 and 19 includes the landlord's employees.
- 20 (5) "Qualified third party" means any of the following people 21 acting in their official capacity:
 - (a) Law enforcement officers;

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- (b) Persons subject to the provisions of chapter 18.120 RCW;
- 24 (c) Employees of a court of the state;
- 25 (d) Licensed mental health professionals or other licensed 26 counselors;
- 27 (e) Employees of crime victim/witness programs as defined in RCW 7.69.020 who are trained advocates for the program; and
 - (f) Members of the clergy as defined in RCW 26.44.020.
- 30 (6) "Sexual assault" has the same meaning as set forth in RCW 31 70.125.030.
- 32 (7) "Stalking" has the same meaning as set forth in RCW 33 9A.46.110.
- 34 (8) "Tenant screening service provider" means any nongovernmental 35 agency that provides, for a fee, background information on 36 prospective tenants to landlords.
- 37 (9) "Unlawful harassment" has the same meaning as in ((RCW 10.14.020)) section 2 of this act and also includes any request for

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- sexual favors to a tenant or household member in return for a change in or performance of any or all terms of a lease or rental agreement.
 - **Sec. 163.** RCW 59.18.575 and 2019 c 46 s 5042 are each amended to read as follows:

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- (1) (a) If a tenant notifies the landlord in writing that he or she or a household member was a victim of an act that constitutes a crime of domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking, and either (a) (i) or (ii) of this subsection applies, then subsection (2) of this section applies:
- (i) The tenant or the household member has a <u>domestic violence</u> <u>protection order</u>, <u>sexual assault protection order</u>, <u>stalking protection order</u>, or <u>antiharassment protection order under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act)</u>, or a valid order for protection under one or more of the following: Chapter 7.90, 26.50, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW or RCW 9A.46.040, 9A.46.050, 10.14.080, 10.99.040 (2) or (3), or 26.09.050; or
- (ii) The tenant or the household member has reported the domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking to a qualified third party acting in his or her official capacity and the qualified third party has provided the tenant or the household member a written record of the report signed by the qualified third party.
- (b) When a copy of a valid order for protection or a written record of a report signed by a qualified third party, as required under (a) of this subsection, is made available to the landlord, the tenant may terminate the rental agreement and quit the premises without further obligation under the rental agreement or under this chapter. However, the request to terminate the rental agreement must occur within ninety days of the reported act, event, or circumstance that gave rise to the protective order or report to a qualified third party. A record of the report to a qualified third party that is provided to the tenant or household member shall consist of a document signed and dated by the qualified third party stating: (i) That the tenant or the household member notified him or her that he or she was a victim of an act or acts that constitute a crime of domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking; (ii) the time and date the act or acts occurred; (iii) the location where the act or acts occurred; (iv) a brief description of the act or acts of domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking; and (v) that the tenant or household member informed him or

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1	her of the name of the alleged perpetrator of the act or acts. The
2	record of the report provided to the tenant or household member shall
3	not include the name of the alleged perpetrator of the act or acts of
4	domestic violence, sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking.
5	The qualified third party shall keep a copy of the record of the
6	report and shall note on the retained copy the name of the alleged
7	perpetrator of the act or acts of domestic violence, sexual assault,
8	unlawful harassment, or stalking. The record of the report to a
9	qualified third party may be accomplished by completion of a form
10	provided by the qualified third party, in substantially the following
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13	[Name of organization, agency, clinic, professional service
14	provider]
15	I and/or my (household member) am/is a victim
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17	domestic violence as defined by ((RCW
18	26.50.010)) section 2 of this act.
19	sexual assault as defined by RCW
20	70.125.030.
21	stalking as defined by RCW 9A.46.110.
22	unlawful harassment as defined by RCW
23	59.18.570.
24	Briefly describe the incident of domestic violence,
25	sexual assault, unlawful harassment, or stalking:
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27	The incident(s) that I rely on in support of this
28	declaration occurred on the following date(s) and time(s)
29	and at the following location(s):
30	The incident(s) that I rely on in support of this
31	declaration were committed by the following person(s):
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33	I state under penalty of perjury under the laws of the
34	state of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.
35	Dated at (city), Washington, this day

of, . . . (year)

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2	Signature of Tenant or
3	Household Member
4	I verify that I have provided to the person whose
5	signature appears above the statutes cited in RCW
6	59.18.575 and that the individual was a victim of an act that
7	constitutes a crime of domestic violence, sexual assault,
8	unlawful harassment, or stalking, and that the individual
9	informed me of the name of the alleged perpetrator of the
10	act.
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(2) A tenant who terminates a rental agreement under this section is discharged from the payment of rent for any period following the last day of the month of the quitting date. The tenant shall remain liable for the rent for the month in which he or she terminated the rental agreement unless the termination is in accordance with RCW 59.18.200(1). Notwithstanding lease provisions that allow for forfeiture of a deposit for early termination, а tenant who terminates under this section is entitled to the return of the full deposit, subject to RCW 59.18.020 and 59.18.280. Other tenants who are parties to the rental agreement, except household members who are the victims of sexual assault, stalking, unlawful harassment, domestic violence, are not released from their obligations under the rental agreement or other obligations under this chapter.

(3) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision under this section, if a tenant or a household member is a victim of sexual assault, stalking, or unlawful harassment by a landlord, the tenant may terminate the rental agreement and quit the premises without further obligation under the rental agreement or under this chapter prior to making a copy of a valid order for protection or a written record of a report signed by a qualified third party available to the landlord, provided that:

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(i) The tenant must deliver a copy of a valid order for protection or written record of a report signed by a qualified third party to the landlord by mail, fax, or personal delivery by a third party within seven days of quitting the tenant's dwelling unit; and

- (ii) A written record of a report signed by the qualified third party must be substantially in the form specified under subsection (1)(b) of this section. The record of the report provided to the landlord must not include the name of the alleged perpetrator of the act. On written request by the landlord, the qualified third party shall, within seven days, provide the name of the alleged perpetrator of the act to the landlord only if the alleged perpetrator was a person meeting the definition of the term "landlord" under RCW 59.18.570.
- (b) A tenant who terminates his or her rental agreement under this subsection is discharged from the payment of rent for any period following the latter of: (i) The date the tenant vacates the unit; or (ii) the date the record of the report of the qualified third party and the written notice that the tenant has vacated are delivered to the landlord by mail, fax, or personal delivery by a third party. The tenant is entitled to a pro rata refund of any prepaid rent and must receive a full and specific statement of the basis for retaining any of the deposit together with any refund due in accordance with RCW 59.18.280.
- (4) If a tenant or a household member is a victim of sexual assault, stalking, or unlawful harassment by a landlord, the tenant may change or add locks to the tenant's dwelling unit at the tenant's expense. If a tenant exercises his or her rights to change or add locks, the following rules apply:
- (a) Within seven days of changing or adding locks, the tenant must deliver to the landlord by mail, fax, or personal delivery by a third party: (i) Written notice that the tenant has changed or added locks; and (ii) a copy of a valid order for protection or a written record of a report signed by a qualified third party. A written record of a report signed by a qualified third party must be substantially in the form specified under subsection (1)(b) of this section. The record of the report provided to the landlord must not include the name of the alleged perpetrator of the act. On written request by the landlord, the qualified third party shall, within seven days, provide the name of the alleged perpetrator to the

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landlord only if the alleged perpetrator was a person meeting the definition of the term "landlord" under RCW 59.18.570.

- (b) After the tenant provides notice to the landlord that the tenant has changed or added locks, the tenant's rental agreement shall terminate on the ninetieth day after providing such notice, unless:
- (i) Within sixty days of providing notice that the tenant has changed or added locks, the tenant notifies the landlord in writing that the tenant does not wish to terminate his or her rental agreement. If the perpetrator has been identified by the qualified third party and is no longer an employee or agent of the landlord or owner and does not reside at the property, the tenant shall provide the owner or owner's designated agent with a copy of the key to the new locks at the same time as providing notice that the tenant does not wish to terminate his or her rental agreement. A tenant who has a valid protection, antiharassment, or other protective order against the owner of the premises or against an employee or agent of the landlord or owner is not required to provide a key to the new locks until the protective order expires or the tenant vacates; or
- (ii) The tenant exercises his or her rights to terminate the rental agreement under subsection (3) of this section within sixty days of providing notice that the tenant has changed or added locks.
- (c) After a landlord receives notice that a tenant has changed or added locks to his or her dwelling unit under (a) of this subsection, the landlord may not enter the tenant's dwelling unit except as follows:
- (i) In the case of an emergency, the landlord may enter the unit if accompanied by a law enforcement or fire official acting in his or her official capacity. If the landlord reasonably concludes that the circumstances require immediate entry into the unit, the landlord may, after notifying emergency services, use such force as necessary to enter the unit if the tenant is not present; or
- (ii) The landlord complies with the requirements of RCW 59.18.150 and clearly specifies in writing the time and date that the landlord intends to enter the unit and the purpose for entering the unit. The tenant must make arrangements to permit access by the landlord.
- (d) The exercise of rights to change or add locks under this subsection does not discharge the tenant from the payment of rent until the rental agreement is terminated and the tenant vacates the unit.

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1 (e) The tenant may not change any locks to common areas and must 2 make keys for new locks available to other household members.

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- (f) Upon vacating the dwelling unit, the tenant must deliver the key and all copies of the key to the landlord by mail or personal delivery by a third party.
- 6 (5) A tenant's remedies under this section do not preempt any 7 other legal remedy available to the tenant.
- (6) The provision of verification of a report under subsection 8 (1) (b) of this section does not waive the confidential or privileged 9 nature of the communication between a victim of domestic violence, 10 11 sexual assault, or stalking with a qualified third party pursuant to 12 RCW 5.60.060, 70.123.075, or 70.125.065. No record or evidence obtained from such disclosure may be used in any civil, 13 administrative, or criminal proceeding against the victim unless a 14 written waiver of applicable evidentiary privilege is obtained, 15 16 except that the verification itself, and no other privileged 17 information, under subsection (1)(b) of this section may be used in 18 civil proceedings brought under this section.
- 19 **Sec. 164.** RCW 70.02.230 and 2020 c 256 s 402 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
 - (1) Except as provided in this section, RCW 70.02.050, 71.05.445, 74.09.295, 70.02.210, 70.02.240, 70.02.250, 70.02.260, and 70.02.265, or pursuant to a valid authorization under RCW 70.02.030, the fact of admission to a provider for mental health services and all information and records compiled, obtained, or maintained in the course of providing mental health services to either voluntary or involuntary recipients of services at public or private agencies must be confidential.
- 29 (2) Information and records related to mental health services, 30 other than those obtained through treatment under chapter 71.34 RCW, 31 may be disclosed only:
 - (a) In communications between qualified professional persons to meet the requirements of chapter 71.05 RCW, including Indian health care providers, in the provision of services or appropriate referrals, or in the course of guardianship proceedings if provided to a professional person:
 - (i) Employed by the facility;
 - (ii) Who has medical responsibility for the patient's care;
 - (iii) Who is a designated crisis responder;

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(iv) Who is providing services under chapter 71.24 RCW;

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- 2 (v) Who is employed by a state or local correctional facility 3 where the person is confined or supervised; or
 - (vi) Who is providing evaluation, treatment, or follow-up services under chapter 10.77 RCW;
 - (b) When the communications regard the special needs of a patient and the necessary circumstances giving rise to such needs and the disclosure is made by a facility providing services to the operator of a facility in which the patient resides or will reside;
- 10 (c)(i) When the person receiving services, or his or her 11 guardian, designates persons to whom information or records may be 12 released, or if the person is a minor, when his or her parents make 13 such a designation;
- (ii) A public or private agency shall release to a person's next of kin, attorney, personal representative, guardian, or conservator, if any:
- 17 (A) The information that the person is presently a patient in the facility or that the person is seriously physically ill;
 - (B) A statement evaluating the mental and physical condition of the patient, and a statement of the probable duration of the patient's confinement, if such information is requested by the next of kin, attorney, personal representative, guardian, or conservator; and
 - (iii) Other information requested by the next of kin or attorney as may be necessary to decide whether or not proceedings should be instituted to appoint a guardian or conservator;
 - (d)(i) To the courts, including tribal courts, as necessary to the administration of chapter 71.05 RCW or to a court ordering an evaluation or treatment under chapter 10.77 RCW solely for the purpose of preventing the entry of any evaluation or treatment order that is inconsistent with any order entered under chapter 71.05 RCW.
- (ii) To a court or its designee in which a motion under chapter 10.77 RCW has been made for involuntary medication of a defendant for the purpose of competency restoration.
- 35 (iii) Disclosure under this subsection is mandatory for the 36 purpose of the federal health insurance portability and 37 accountability act;
- (e) (i) When a mental health professional or designated crisis responder is requested by a representative of a law enforcement or corrections agency, including a police officer, sheriff, community

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- corrections officer, a municipal attorney, or prosecuting attorney to undertake an investigation or provide treatment under RCW 71.05.150, 10.31.110, or 71.05.153, the mental health professional or designated crisis responder shall, if requested to do so, advise the representative in writing of the results of the investigation including a statement of reasons for the decision to detain or release the person investigated. The written report must be submitted within seventy-two hours of the completion of the investigation or the request from the law enforcement or corrections representative, whichever occurs later.
 - (ii) Disclosure under this subsection is mandatory for the purposes of the federal health insurance portability and accountability act;
 - (f) To the attorney of the detained person;

- (g) To the prosecuting attorney as necessary to carry out the responsibilities of the office under RCW 71.05.330(2), 71.05.340(1)(b), and 71.05.335. The prosecutor must be provided access to records regarding the committed person's treatment and prognosis, medication, behavior problems, and other records relevant to the issue of whether treatment less restrictive than inpatient treatment is in the best interest of the committed person or others. Information must be disclosed only after giving notice to the committed person and the person's counsel;
- (h) (i) To appropriate law enforcement agencies and to a person, when the identity of the person is known to the public or private agency, whose health and safety has been threatened, or who is known to have been repeatedly harassed, by the patient. The person may designate a representative to receive the disclosure. The disclosure must be made by the professional person in charge of the public or private agency or his or her designee and must include the dates of commitment, admission, discharge, or release, authorized or unauthorized absence from the agency's facility, and only any other information that is pertinent to the threat or harassment. The agency or its employees are not civilly liable for the decision to disclose or not, so long as the decision was reached in good faith and without gross negligence.
- 37 (ii) Disclosure under this subsection is mandatory for the 38 purposes of the federal health insurance portability and 39 accountability act;

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(i)(i) To appropriate corrections and law enforcement agencies all necessary and relevant information in the event of a crisis or emergent situation that poses a significant and imminent risk to the public. The mental health service agency or its employees are not civilly liable for the decision to disclose or not so long as the decision was reached in good faith and without gross negligence.

- (ii) Disclosure under this subsection is mandatory for the purposes of the health insurance portability and accountability act;
- (j) To the persons designated in RCW 71.05.425 for the purposes described in those sections;
- (k) Upon the death of a person. The person's next of kin, personal representative, guardian, or conservator, if any, must be notified. Next of kin who are of legal age and competent must be notified under this section in the following order: Spouse, parents, children, brothers and sisters, and other relatives according to the degree of relation. Access to all records and information compiled, obtained, or maintained in the course of providing services to a deceased patient are governed by RCW 70.02.140;
- (1) To mark headstones or otherwise memorialize patients interred at state hospital cemeteries. The department of social and health services shall make available the name, date of birth, and date of death of patients buried in state hospital cemeteries fifty years after the death of a patient;
- (m) To law enforcement officers and to prosecuting attorneys as are necessary to enforce RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(((iv))) (v). The extent of information that may be released is limited as follows:
- (i) Only the fact, place, and date of involuntary commitment, an official copy of any order or orders of commitment, and an official copy of any written or oral notice of ineligibility to possess a firearm that was provided to the person pursuant to RCW 9.41.047(1), must be disclosed upon request;
- (ii) The law enforcement and prosecuting attorneys may only release the information obtained to the person's attorney as required by court rule and to a jury or judge, if a jury is waived, that presides over any trial at which the person is charged with violating RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(((iv)))(v);
- 37 (iii) Disclosure under this subsection is mandatory for the 38 purposes of the federal health insurance portability and 39 accountability act;

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(n) When a patient would otherwise be subject to the provisions of this section and disclosure is necessary for the protection of the patient or others due to his or her unauthorized disappearance from the facility, and his or her whereabouts is unknown, notice of the disappearance, along with relevant information, may be made to relatives, the department of corrections when the person is under the supervision of the department, and governmental law enforcement agencies designated by the physician or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner in charge of the patient or the professional person in charge of the facility, or his or her professional designee;

- (o) Pursuant to lawful order of a court, including a tribal court;
 - (p) To qualified staff members of the department, to the authority, to behavioral health administrative services organizations, to managed care organizations, to resource management services responsible for serving a patient, or to service providers designated by resource management services as necessary to determine the progress and adequacy of treatment and to determine whether the person should be transferred to a less restrictive or more appropriate treatment modality or facility;
 - (q) Within the mental health service agency or Indian health care provider facility where the patient is receiving treatment, confidential information may be disclosed to persons employed, serving in bona fide training programs, or participating in supervised volunteer programs, at the facility when it is necessary to perform their duties;
 - (r) Within the department and the authority as necessary to coordinate treatment for mental illness, developmental disabilities, alcoholism, or substance use disorder of persons who are under the supervision of the department;
 - (s) Between the department of social and health services, the department of children, youth, and families, and the health care authority as necessary to coordinate treatment for mental illness, developmental disabilities, alcoholism, or drug abuse of persons who are under the supervision of the department of social and health services or the department of children, youth, and families;
- (t) To a licensed physician or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner who has determined that the life or health of the person is in danger and that treatment without the information and

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records related to mental health services could be injurious to the patient's health. Disclosure must be limited to the portions of the records necessary to meet the medical emergency;

- (u)(i) Consistent with the requirements of the federal health insurance portability and accountability act, to:
- (A) A health care provider, including an Indian health care provider, who is providing care to a patient, or to whom a patient has been referred for evaluation or treatment; or
- (B) Any other person who is working in a care coordinator role for a health care facility, health care provider, or Indian health care provider, or is under an agreement pursuant to the federal health insurance portability and accountability act with a health care facility or a health care provider and requires the information and records to assure coordinated care and treatment of that patient.
- (ii) A person authorized to use or disclose information and records related to mental health services under this subsection (2)(u) must take appropriate steps to protect the information and records relating to mental health services.
- (iii) Psychotherapy notes may not be released without authorization of the patient who is the subject of the request for release of information;
- (v) To administrative and office support staff designated to obtain medical records for those licensed professionals listed in (u) of this subsection;
- (w) To a facility that is to receive a person who is involuntarily committed under chapter 71.05 RCW, or upon transfer of the person from one evaluation and treatment facility to another. The release of records under this subsection is limited to the information and records related to mental health services required by law, a record or summary of all somatic treatments, and a discharge summary. The discharge summary may include a statement of the patient's problem, the treatment goals, the type of treatment which has been provided, and recommendation for future treatment, but may not include the patient's complete treatment record;
- (x) To the person's counsel or guardian ad litem, without modification, at any time in order to prepare for involuntary commitment or recommitment proceedings, reexaminations, appeals, or other actions relating to detention, admission, commitment, or patient's rights under chapter 71.05 RCW;

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(y) To staff members of the protection and advocacy agency or to staff members of a private, nonprofit corporation for the purpose of protecting and advocating the rights of persons with mental disorders or developmental disabilities. Resource management services may limit the release of information to the name, birthdate, and county of residence of the patient, information regarding whether the patient was voluntarily admitted, or involuntarily committed, the date and place of admission, placement, or commitment, the name and address of a guardian of the patient, and the date and place of the guardian's appointment. Any staff member who wishes to obtain additional information must notify the patient's resource management services in writing of the request and of the resource management services' right to object. The staff member shall send the notice by mail to the quardian's address. If the quardian does not object in writing within fifteen days after the notice is mailed, the staff member may obtain the additional information. If the guardian objects in writing within fifteen days after the notice is mailed, the staff member may not obtain the additional information;

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- (z) To all current treating providers, including Indian health care providers, of the patient with prescriptive authority who have written a prescription for the patient within the last twelve months. For purposes of coordinating health care, the department or the authority may release without written authorization of the patient, information acquired for billing and collection purposes as described in RCW 70.02.050(1)(d). The department, or the authority, if applicable, shall notify the patient that billing and collection information has been released to named providers, and provide the substance of the information released and the dates of such release. Neither the department nor the authority may release counseling, inpatient psychiatric hospitalization, or drug and alcohol treatment information without a signed written release from the client;
- (aa) (i) To the secretary of social and health services and the director of the health care authority for either program evaluation or research, or both so long as the secretary or director, where applicable, adopts rules for the conduct of the evaluation or research, or both. Such rules must include, but need not be limited to, the requirement that all evaluators and researchers sign an oath of confidentiality substantially as follows:

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"As a condition of conducting evaluation or research concerning persons who have received services from (fill in the facility, agency, or person) I, , agree not to divulge, publish, or otherwise make known to unauthorized persons or the public any information obtained in the course of such evaluation or research regarding persons who have received services such that the person who received such services is identifiable.

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- (ii) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to prohibit the compilation and publication of statistical data for use by government or researchers under standards, including standards to assure maintenance of confidentiality, set forth by the secretary, or director, where applicable;
 - (bb) To any person if the conditions in RCW 70.02.205 are met;
- 17 (cc) To the secretary of health for the purposes of the maternal mortality review panel established in RCW 70.54.450;
- 19 (dd) To a tribe or Indian health care provider to carry out the 20 requirements of RCW 71.05.150(7).
 - (3) Whenever federal law or federal regulations restrict the release of information contained in the information and records related to mental health services of any patient who receives treatment for a substance use disorder, the department or the authority may restrict the release of the information as necessary to comply with federal law and regulations.
 - (4) Civil liability and immunity for the release of information about a particular person who is committed to the department of social and health services or the authority under RCW 71.05.280(3) and 71.05.320(4)(c) after dismissal of a sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, is governed by RCW 4.24.550.
 - (5) The fact of admission to a provider of mental health services, as well as all records, files, evidence, findings, or orders made, prepared, collected, or maintained pursuant to chapter 71.05 RCW are not admissible as evidence in any legal proceeding outside that chapter without the written authorization of the person who was the subject of the proceeding except as provided in RCW 70.02.260, in a subsequent criminal prosecution of a person committed pursuant to RCW 71.05.280(3) or 71.05.320(4)(c) on charges that were

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- dismissed pursuant to chapter 10.77 RCW due to incompetency to stand 1 trial, in a civil commitment proceeding pursuant to chapter 71.09 2 RCW, or, in the case of a minor, a guardianship or dependency 3 proceeding. The records and files maintained in any court proceeding 4 pursuant to chapter 71.05 RCW must be confidential and available 5 6 subsequent to such proceedings only to the person who was the subject
- 7 of the proceeding or his or her attorney. In addition, the court may order the subsequent release or use of such records or files only 8
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- upon good cause shown if the court finds that appropriate safeguards
- for strict confidentiality are and will be maintained. 10
- 11 (6)(a) Except as provided in RCW 4.24.550, any person may bring 12 an action against an individual who has willfully released confidential information or records concerning him or her 13 14 violation of the provisions of this section, for the greater of the 15 following amounts:
 - (i) One thousand dollars; or

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- (ii) Three times the amount of actual damages sustained, if any.
- (b) It is not a prerequisite to recovery under this subsection that the plaintiff suffered or was threatened with special, as contrasted with general, damages.
- (c) Any person may bring an action to enjoin the release of confidential information or records concerning him or her or his or her ward, in violation of the provisions of this section, and may in the same action seek damages as provided in this subsection.
- 25 (d) The court may award to the plaintiff, should he or she 26 prevail in any action authorized by this subsection, reasonable attorney fees in addition to those otherwise provided by law. 27
- 28 (e) If an action is brought under this subsection, no action may 29 be brought under RCW 70.02.170.
- 30 Sec. 165. RCW 70.02.240 and 2019 c 381 s 20 are each amended to 31 read as follows:
- The fact of admission and all information and records related to 32 mental health services obtained through inpatient or outpatient 33 treatment of a minor under chapter 71.34 RCW must be kept 34 confidential, except as authorized by this section or under RCW 35 70.02.050, 70.02.210, 70.02.230, 70.02.250, 70.02.260, and 70.02.265. 36

Confidential information under this section may be disclosed only: 37

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(1) In communications between mental health professionals to meet the requirements of chapter 71.34 RCW, in the provision of services to the minor, or in making appropriate referrals;

- (2) In the course of guardianship or dependency proceedings;
- (3) To the minor, the minor's parent, including those acting as a parent as defined in RCW 71.34.020 for purposes of family-initiated treatment, and the minor's attorney, subject to RCW 13.50.100;
 - (4) To the courts as necessary to administer chapter 71.34 RCW;
- (5) To law enforcement officers or public health officers as necessary to carry out the responsibilities of their office. However, only the fact and date of admission, and the date of discharge, the name and address of the treatment provider, if any, and the last known address must be disclosed upon request;
- (6) To law enforcement officers, public health officers, relatives, and other governmental law enforcement agencies, if a minor has escaped from custody, disappeared from an evaluation and treatment facility, violated conditions of a less restrictive treatment order, or failed to return from an authorized leave, and then only such information as may be necessary to provide for public safety or to assist in the apprehension of the minor. The officers are obligated to keep the information confidential in accordance with this chapter;
- (7) To the secretary of social and health services and the director of the health care authority for assistance in data collection and program evaluation or research so long as the secretary or director, where applicable, adopts rules for the conduct of such evaluation and research. The rules must include, but need not be limited to, the requirement that all evaluators and researchers sign an oath of confidentiality substantially as follows:

"As a condition of conducting evaluation or research concerning persons who have received services from (fill in the facility, agency, or person) I, , agree not to divulge, publish, or otherwise make known to unauthorized persons or the public any information obtained in the course of such evaluation or research regarding minors who have received services in a manner such that the minor is identifiable.

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(8) To appropriate law enforcement agencies, upon request, all necessary and relevant information in the event of a crisis or emergent situation that poses a significant and imminent risk to the public. The mental health service agency or its employees are not civilly liable for the decision to disclose or not, so long as the decision was reached in good faith and without gross negligence;

- (9) To appropriate law enforcement agencies and to a person, when the identity of the person is known to the public or private agency, whose health and safety has been threatened, or who is known to have been repeatedly harassed, by the patient. The person may designate a representative to receive the disclosure. The disclosure must be made by the professional person in charge of the public or private agency or his or her designee and must include the dates of admission, discharge, authorized or unauthorized absence from the agency's facility, and only any other information that is pertinent to the threat or harassment. The agency or its employees are not civilly liable for the decision to disclose or not, so long as the decision was reached in good faith and without gross negligence;
- (10) To a minor's next of kin, attorney, guardian, or conservator, if any, the information that the minor is presently in the facility or that the minor is seriously physically ill and a statement evaluating the mental and physical condition of the minor as well as a statement of the probable duration of the minor's confinement;
 - (11) Upon the death of a minor, to the minor's next of kin;
 - (12) To a facility in which the minor resides or will reside;
- (13) To law enforcement officers and to prosecuting attorneys as are necessary to enforce RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(((iv))) (v). The extent of information that may be released is limited as follows:
- (a) Only the fact, place, and date of involuntary commitment, an official copy of any order or orders of commitment, and an official copy of any written or oral notice of ineligibility to possess a firearm that was provided to the person pursuant to RCW 9.41.047(1), must be disclosed upon request;
- (b) The law enforcement and prosecuting attorneys may only release the information obtained to the person's attorney as required by court rule and to a jury or judge, if a jury is waived, that presides over any trial at which the person is charged with violating RCW $9.41.040(2)(a)((\frac{(iv)}{)})(v)$;

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- 1 (c) Disclosure under this subsection is mandatory for the 2 purposes of the federal health insurance portability and 3 accountability act;
 - (14) This section may not be construed to prohibit the compilation and publication of statistical data for use by government or researchers under standards, including standards to assure maintenance of confidentiality, set forth by the director of the health care authority or the secretary of the department of social and health services, where applicable. The fact of admission and all information obtained pursuant to chapter 71.34 RCW are not admissible as evidence in any legal proceeding outside chapter 71.34 RCW, except guardianship or dependency, without the written consent of the minor or the minor's parent;
- 14 (15) For the purpose of a correctional facility participating in 15 the postinstitutional medical assistance system supporting the 16 expedited medical determinations and medical suspensions as provided 17 in RCW 74.09.555 and 74.09.295;
 - (16) Pursuant to a lawful order of a court.

- **Sec. 166.** RCW 71.09.305 and 2002 c 68 s 6 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
 - (1) Unless otherwise ordered by the court:
 - (a) Residents of a secure community transition facility shall wear electronic monitoring devices at all times. To the extent that electronic monitoring devices that employ global positioning system technology are available and funds for this purpose are appropriated by the legislature, the department shall use these devices.
 - (b) At least one staff member, or other court-authorized and department-approved person must escort each resident when the resident leaves the secure community transition facility for appointments, employment, or other approved activities. Escorting persons must supervise the resident closely and maintain close proximity to the resident. The escort must immediately notify the department of any serious violation, as defined in RCW 71.09.325, by the resident and must immediately notify law enforcement of any violation of law by the resident. The escort may not be a relative of the resident or a person with whom the resident has, or has had, a dating relationship as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act.

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- 1 (2) Staff members of the special commitment center and any other 2 total confinement facility and any secure community transition 3 facility must be trained in self-defense and appropriate crisis 4 responses including incident de-escalation. Prior to escorting a 5 person outside of a facility, staff members must also have training 6 in the offense pattern of the offender they are escorting.
 - (3) Any escort must carry a cellular telephone or a similar device at all times when escorting a resident of a secure community transition facility.
- 10 (4) The department shall require training in offender pattern, 11 self-defense, and incident response for all court-authorized escorts 12 who are not employed by the department or the department of 13 corrections.
- 14 **Sec. 167.** RCW 71.32.090 and 2003 c 283 s 9 are each amended to 15 read as follows:
- 16 A witness may not be any of the following:

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- 17 (1) A person designated to make health care decisions on the principal's behalf;
- 19 (2) A health care provider or professional person directly 20 involved with the provision of care to the principal at the time the 21 directive is executed;
- 22 (3) An owner, operator, employee, or relative of an owner or 23 operator of a health care facility or long-term care facility in 24 which the principal is a patient or resident;
- 25 (4) A person who is related by blood, marriage, or adoption to 26 the person or with whom the principal has a dating relationship, as 27 defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act;
 - (5) A person who is declared to be an incapacitated person; or
- 29 (6) A person who would benefit financially if the principal 30 making the directive undergoes mental health treatment.
- 31 **Sec. 168.** RCW 71.32.200 and 2016 c 209 s 412 are each amended to read as follows:
- Any person with reasonable cause to believe that a directive has been created or revoked under circumstances amounting to fraud, duress, or undue influence may petition the court for appointment of a guardian for the person or to review the actions of the agent or person alleged to be involved in improper conduct under RCW 11.125.160 or ((74.34.110)) chapter 74.34 RCW.

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1	Sec. 169. RCW 71.32.260 and 2016 c 209 s 413 and 2016 c 155 s 16
2	are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
3	The directive shall be in substantially the following form:
4	Mental Health Advance Directive
5	NOTICE TO PERSONS
6	CREATING A MENTAL HEALTH ADVANCE DIRECTIVE
7	This is an important legal document. It creates an advance directive for mental health treatment. Before signing this
8	document you should know these important facts:
9	(1) This document is called an advance directive and allows you to make decisions in advance about your mental health
10	treatment, including medications, short-term admission to inpatient treatment and electroconvulsive therapy.
11	YOU DO NOT HAVE TO FILL OUT OR SIGN THIS FORM.
12	IF YOU DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM, IT WILL NOT TAKE EFFECT.
13	If you choose to complete and sign this document, you may still decide to leave some items blank.
14	(2) You have the right to appoint a person as your agent to make treatment decisions for you. You must notify your agent
15	that you have appointed him or her as an agent. The person you appoint has a duty to act consistently with your wishes
16	made known by you. If your agent does not know what your wishes are, he or she has a duty to act in your best interest.
17	Your agent has the right to withdraw from the appointment at any time.
18	(3) The instructions you include with this advance directive and the authority you give your agent to act will only become
19	effective under the conditions you select in this document. You may choose to limit this directive and your agent's authority
20	to times when you are incapacitated or to times when you are exhibiting symptoms or behavior that you specify. You may
21	also make this directive effective immediately. No matter when you choose to make this directive effective, your treatment
22	providers must still seek your informed consent at all times that you have capacity to give informed consent.
23	(4) You have the right to revoke this document in writing at any time you have capacity.
24	YOU MAY NOT REVOKE THIS DIRECTIVE WHEN YOU HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE
25	INCAPACITATED UNLESS YOU HAVE SPECIFICALLY STATED IN THIS DIRECTIVE THAT
26	YOU WANT IT TO BE REVOCABLE WHEN YOU ARE INCAPACITATED.
27	(5) This directive will stay in effect until you revoke it unless you specify an expiration date. If you specify an expiration
28	date and you are incapacitated at the time it expires, it will remain in effect until you have capacity to make treatment
29	decisions again unless you chose to be able to revoke it while you are incapacitated and you revoke the directive.
30	(6) You cannot use your advance directive to consent to civil commitment. The procedures that apply to your advance
31	directive are different than those provided for in the Involuntary Treatment Act. Involuntary treatment is a different
32	process.
33	(7) If there is anything in this directive that you do not understand, you should ask a lawyer to explain it to you.
34	(8) You should be aware that there are some circumstances where your provider may not have to follow your directive.
35	(9) You should discuss any treatment decisions in your directive with your provider.

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Τ	(10) You may ask the court to rule on the validity of your directive.
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3	PART I.
4	STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CREATE A
5	MENTAL HEALTH ADVANCE DIRECTIVE
6	I, being a person with capacity, willfully and voluntarily execute this mental health advance directive so that
7	my choices regarding my mental health care will be carried out in circumstances when I am unable to express my
8	instructions and preferences regarding my mental health care. If a guardian is appointed by a court to make mental health
9	decisions for me, I intend this document to take precedence over all other means of ascertaining my intent.
10	The fact that I may have left blanks in this directive does not affect its validity in any way. I intend that all completed
11	sections be followed. If I have not expressed a choice, my agent should make the decision that he or she determines is in
12	my best interest. I intend this directive to take precedence over any other directives I have previously executed, to the
13	extent that they are inconsistent with this document, or unless I expressly state otherwise in either document.
14	I understand that I may revoke this directive in whole or in part if I am a person with capacity. I understand that I cannot
15	revoke this directive if a court, two health care providers, or one mental health professional and one health care provider
16	find that I am an incapacitated person, unless, when I executed this directive, I chose to be able to revoke this directive
17	while incapacitated.
18	I understand that, except as otherwise provided in law, revocation must be in writing. I understand that nothing in this
19	directive, or in my refusal of treatment to which I consent in this directive, authorizes any health care provider, professional
20	person, health care facility, or agent appointed in this directive to use or threaten to use abuse, neglect, financial
21	exploitation, or abandonment to carry out my directive.
22	I understand that there are some circumstances where my provider may not have to follow my directive.
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24	PART II.
25	WHEN THIS DIRECTIVE IS EFFECTIVE
26	YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR YOUR DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.
27	I intend that this directive become effective (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):
28	Immediately upon my signing of this directive.
29	If I become incapacitated.
30	When the following circumstances, symptoms, or behaviors occur:
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32	PART III.
33	DURATION OF THIS DIRECTIVE
34	YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR YOUR DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.
35	I want this directive to (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):
36	Remain valid and in effect for an indefinite period of time.

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1	Automatically expire years from the date it was created.
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3	PART IV.
4	WHEN I MAY REVOKE THIS DIRECTIVE
5	YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PART FOR THIS DIRECTIVE TO BE VALID.
6	I intend that I be able to revoke this directive (YOU MUST CHOOSE ONLY ONE):
7	Only when I have capacity.
8	I understand that choosing this option means I may only revoke this directive if I have capacity. I further understand that if
9	I choose this option and become incapacitated while this directive is in effect, I may receive treatment that I specify in this
10	directive, even if I object at the time.
11	Even if I am incapacitated.
12	I understand that choosing this option means that I may revoke this directive even if I am incapacitated. I further
13	understand that if I choose this option and revoke this directive while I am incapacitated I may not receive treatment that I
14	specify in this directive, even if I want the treatment.
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16	PART V.
17	PREFERENCES AND INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT TREATMENT, FACILITIES, AND PHYSICIANS ((†
18	PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS,])), PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, OR PSYCHIATRIC ADVANCED REGISTERED
19	NURSE PRACTITIONERS
20	A. Preferences and Instructions About Physician(s), Physician Assistant(s), or Psychiatric Advanced Registered
21	Nurse Practitioner(s) to be Involved in My Treatment
2223	I would like the physician(s), physician assistant(s), or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner(s) named below to be involved in my treatment decisions:
24	Dr., PA-C, or PARNP Contact information:
25	Dr., PA-C, or PARNP Contact information:
26	I do not wish to be treated by Dr. or PARNP
27	B. Preferences and Instructions About Other Providers
28	I am receiving other treatment or care from providers who I feel have an impact on my mental health care. I would like the
29	following treatment provider(s) to be contacted when this directive is effective:
30	Name
31	Name
32	C. Preferences and Instructions About Medications for Psychiatric Treatment (initial and complete all that apply)
33	I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the following
34	medications:
35	I do not consent, and I do not authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of the following
36	medications:

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1 2	I am willing to take the medications excluded above if my only reason for excluding them is the side effects which include.
3	and these side effects can be eliminated by dosage adjustment or other means
4 5	I am willing to try any other medication the hospital doctor, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner recommends
6 7	I am willing to try any other medications my outpatient doctor, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner recommends
8	I do not want to try any other medications.
9	Medication Allergies
10 11	I have allergies to, or severe side effects from, the following:
12	Other Medication Preferences or Instructions
13 14	I have the following other preferences or instructions about medications
15 16	D. Preferences and Instructions About Hospitalization and Alternatives (initial all that apply and, if desired, rank "1" for first choice, "2" for second choice, and so on)
17	In the event my psychiatric condition is serious enough to require 24-hour care and I have no physical conditions
18	that require immediate access to emergency medical care, I prefer to receive this care in programs/facilities designed as
19	alternatives to psychiatric hospitalizations.
20	I would also like the interventions below to be tried before hospitalization is considered:
21	Calling someone or having someone call me when needed.
22	Name:
23	Staying overnight with someone
24	Name:
25	Having a mental health service provider come to see me
26	Going to a crisis triage center or emergency room
27	Staying overnight at a crisis respite (temporary) bed
28	Seeing a service provider for help with psychiatric medications
29	Other, specify:
30	Authority to Consent to Inpatient Treatment
31	I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to voluntary admission to inpatient mental health treatment
32	for days (not to exceed 14 days)
33	(Sign one):

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1	If deemed appropriate by my agent (if appointed) and treating physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric
2	advanced registered nurse practitioner
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4	(Signature)
5	or
6	Under the following circumstances (specify symptoms, behaviors, or circumstances that indicate the need for
7	hospitalization)
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9	(Signature)
10	I do not consent, or authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to inpatient treatment
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12	(Signature)
13	Hospital Preferences and Instructions
14	If hospitalization is required, I prefer the following hospitals:
15	I do not consent to be admitted to the following hospitals:
16	E. Preferences and Instructions About Preemergency
17	I would like the interventions below to be tried before use of seclusion or restraint is considered
18	(initial all that apply):
19	"Talk me down" one-on-one
20	More medication
21	Time out/privacy
22	Show of authority/force
23	Shift my attention to something else
24	Set firm limits on my behavior
25	Help me to discuss/vent feelings
26	Decrease stimulation
27	Offer to have neutral person settle dispute
28	Other, specify
29	F. Preferences and Instructions About Seclusion, Restraint, and Emergency Medications
30	If it is determined that I am engaging in behavior that requires seclusion, physical restraint, and/or emergency use of
31	medication, I prefer these interventions in the order I have chosen (choose "1" for first choice, "2" for second choice, and
32	so on):
33	Seclusion
34	Seclusion and physical restraint (combined)

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1	Medication by injection
2	Medication in pill or liquid form
3	In the event that my attending physician, physician assistant, or psychiatric advanced registered nurse practitioner decides
4	to use medication in response to an emergency situation after due consideration of my preferences and instructions for
5	emergency treatments stated above, I expect the choice of medication to reflect any preferences and instructions I have
6	expressed in Part III C of this form. The preferences and instructions I express in this section regarding medication in
7	emergency situations do not constitute consent to use of the medication for nonemergency treatment.
8	G. Preferences and Instructions About Electroconvulsive Therapy
9	(ECT or Shock Therapy)
10	My wishes regarding electroconvulsive therapy are (sign one):
11	I do not consent, nor authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive
12	therapy
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14	(Signature)
15	I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive therapy
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17	(Signature)
18	I consent, and authorize my agent (if appointed) to consent, to the administration of electroconvulsive therapy, but
19	only under the following conditions:
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21	(Signature)
22	H. Preferences and Instructions About Who is Permitted to Visit
23	If I have been admitted to a mental health treatment facility, the following people are not permitted to visit me there:
24	Name:
25	Name:
26	Name:
27	I understand that persons not listed above may be permitted to visit me.
28	I. Additional Instructions About My Mental Health Care
29	Other instructions about my mental health care:
30	In case of emergency, please contact:
31	Name: Address:
32	Work telephone:
33	Physician, Physician Assistant, or Psychiatric Address:
34	Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner:

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1	Telephone:
2	The following may help me to avoid a hospitalization:
3	I generally react to being hospitalized as follows:
4	Staff of the hospital or crisis unit can help me by doing the following:
5	J. Refusal of Treatment
6	I do not consent to any mental health treatment.
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8	(Signature)
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10	PART VI.
11	DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY (APPOINTMENT OF MY AGENT)
12	(Fill out this part only if you wish to appoint an agent or nominate a guardian.)
13	I authorize an agent to make mental health treatment decisions on my behalf. The authority granted to my agent includes
14	the right to consent, refuse consent, or withdraw consent to any mental health care, treatment, service, or procedure,
15	consistent with any instructions and/or limitations I have set forth in this directive. I intend that those decisions should be
16	made in accordance with my expressed wishes as set forth in this document. If I have not expressed a choice in this
17	document and my agent does not otherwise know my wishes, I authorize my agent to make the decision that my agent
18	determines is in my best interest. This agency shall not be affected by my incapacity. Unless I state otherwise in this
19	durable power of attorney, I may revoke it unless prohibited by other state law.
20	A. Designation of an Agent
21	I appoint the following person as my agent to make mental health treatment decisions for me as authorized in this document
22	and request that this person be notified immediately when this directive becomes effective:
23	Name: Address:
24	Work telephone:
25	Relationship:
26	B. Designation of Alternate Agent
27	If the person named above is unavailable, unable, or refuses to serve as my agent, or I revoke that person's authority to
28	serve as my agent, I hereby appoint the following person as my alternate agent and request that this person be notified
29	immediately when this directive becomes effective or when my original agent is no longer my agent:
30	Name: Address:
31	Work telephone:
32	Relationship:
33	C. When My Spouse is My Agent (initial if desired)
34	If my spouse is my agent, that person shall remain my agent even if we become legally separated or our marriage is
35	dissolved, unless there is a court order to the contrary or I have remarried.

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1	D. Limitations on My Agent's Authority
2	I do not grant my agent the authority to consent on my behalf to the following:
3	E. Limitations on My Ability to Revoke this Durable Power of Attorney
4	I choose to limit my ability to revoke this durable power of attorney as follows:
5	F. Preference as to Court-Appointed Guardian
6 7	In the event a court appoints a guardian who will make decisions regarding my mental health treatment, I nominate the following person as my guardian :
8	Name:
9	Work telephone:
10	Relationship:
11 12 13	The appointment of a guardian of my estate or my person or any other decision maker shall not give the guardian or decision maker the power to revoke, suspend, or terminate this directive or the powers of my agent, except as authorized by law.
14 15 16	(Signature required if nomination is made)
17	PART VII.
18	OTHER DOCUMENTS
19	(Initial all that apply)
20 21	I have executed the following documents that include the power to make decisions regarding health care services for myself:
22	Health care power of attorney (chapter 11.125 RCW)
23	"Living will" (Health care directive; chapter 70.122 RCW)
242526	I have appointed more than one agent. I understand that the most recently appointed agent controls except as stated below:
27	PART VIII.
28	NOTIFICATION OF OTHERS AND CARE OF PERSONAL AFFAIRS
29	(Fill out this part only if you wish to provide nontreatment instructions.)
30 31	I understand the preferences and instructions in this part are NOT the responsibility of my treatment provider and that no treatment provider is required to act on them.
32	A. Who Should Be Notified
33	I desire my agent to notify the following individuals as soon as possible when this directive becomes effective:
34	Name:

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1	Day telephone:	
2	Name:	
3	Day telephone:	
4	B. Preferences or Instructions About Personal Affairs	
5	I have the following preferences or instructions about my personal affairs (e.g., care of dependents, pets, household) if I a	ım
6	admitted to a mental health treatment facility:	
7	C. Additional Preferences and Instructions:	
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9	PART IX.	
10	SIGNATURE	
11	By signing here, I indicate that I understand the purpose and effect of this document and that I am giving my informed	
12	consent to the treatments and/or admission to which I have consented or authorized my agent to consent in this directive.	I
13	intend that my consent in this directive be construed as being consistent with the elements of informed consent under	
14	chapter 7.70 RCW.	
15	Signature: Date:	
16	Printed Name:	
17	This directive was signed and declared by the "Principal," to be his or her directive, in our presence who, at his or her	
18	request, have signed our names below as witnesses. We declare that, at the time of the creation of this instrument, the	
19	Principal is personally known to us, and, according to our best knowledge and belief, has capacity at this time and does n	ot
20	appear to be acting under duress, undue influence, or fraud. We further declare that none of us is:	
21	(A) A person designated to make medical decisions on the principal's behalf;	
22	(B) A health care provider or professional person directly involved with the provision of care to the principal at the time to	the
23	directive is executed;	
24	(C) An owner, operator, employee, or relative of an owner or operator of a health care facility or long-term care facility in	n
25	which the principal is a patient or resident;	
26	(D) A person who is related by blood, marriage, or adoption to the person, or with whom the principal has a dating	
27	relationship as defined in ((RCW 26.50.010)) section 2 of this act;	
28	(E) An incapacitated person;	
29	(F) A person who would benefit financially if the principal undergoes mental health treatment; or	
30	(G) A minor.	
31	Witness 1: Signature: Date:	
32	Printed Name:	
33	Telephone: Address:	
34	Witness 2: Signature: Date:	
35	Printed Name:	

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1	Telephone: Address:
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3	PART X.
4	RECORD OF DIRECTIVE
5	I have given a copy of this directive to the following persons:
6	DO NOT FILL OUT PART XI UNLESS YOU INTEND TO REVOKE
7	THIS DIRECTIVE IN PART OR IN WHOLE
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9	PART XI.
10	REVOCATION OF THIS DIRECTIVE
11	(Initial any that apply):
12	I am revoking the following part(s) of this directive (specify):
13	I am revoking all of this directive.
14	By signing here, I indicate that I understand the purpose and effect of my revocation and that no person is bound by any
15	revoked provision(s). I intend this revocation to be interpreted as if I had never completed the revoked provision(s).
16	Signature: Date:
17	Printed Name:
18	DO NOT SIGN THIS PART UNLESS YOU INTEND TO REVOKE THIS
19	DIRECTIVE IN PART OR IN WHOLE
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2021	Sec. 170. RCW 72.09.712 and 2019 c 46 s 5043 are each amended to read as follows:
22	(1) At the earliest possible date, and in no event later than
23	thirty days before release except in the event of escape or emergency
24	furloughs as defined in RCW 72.66.010, the department of corrections
25	shall send written notice of parole, release, community custody, work
26	release placement, furlough, or escape about a specific inmate
27	convicted of a violent offense, a sex offense as defined by RCW
28	9.94A.030, a domestic violence court order violation pursuant to
29	<u>section 56 of this act,</u> RCW 10.99.040, 10.99.050, 26.09.300,
30	26.10.220, 26.26B.050, 26.50.110, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145, or a
31	felony harassment offense as defined by RCW 9A.46.060 or 9A.46.110,

34 will reside or in which placement will be made in a work release 35 program; and

(a) The chief of police of the city, if any, in which the inmate

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to the following:

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(b) The sheriff of the county in which the inmate will reside or in which placement will be made in a work release program.

The sheriff of the county where the offender was convicted shall be notified if the department does not know where the offender will reside. The department shall notify the state patrol of the release of all sex offenders, and that information shall be placed in the Washington crime information center for dissemination to all law enforcement.

- (2) The same notice as required by subsection (1) of this section shall be sent to the following if such notice has been requested in writing about a specific inmate convicted of a violent offense, a sex offense as defined by RCW 9.94A.030, a domestic violence court order violation pursuant to section 56 of this act, RCW 10.99.040, 10.99.050, 26.09.300, 26.10.220, 26.26B.050, 26.50.110, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145, or a felony harassment offense as defined by RCW 9A.46.060 or 9A.46.110:
- 17 (a) The victim of the crime for which the inmate was convicted or 18 the victim's next of kin if the crime was a homicide;
 - (b) Any witnesses who testified against the inmate in any court proceedings involving the violent offense;
- 21 (c) Any person specified in writing by the prosecuting attorney; 22 and
 - (d) Any person who requests such notice about a specific inmate convicted of a sex offense as defined by RCW 9.94A.030 from the department of corrections at least sixty days prior to the expected release date of the offender.

Information regarding victims, next of kin, or witnesses requesting the notice, information regarding any other person specified in writing by the prosecuting attorney to receive the notice, and the notice are confidential and shall not be available to the inmate. Whenever the department of corrections mails notice pursuant to this subsection and the notice is returned as undeliverable, the department shall attempt alternative methods of notification, including a telephone call to the person's last known telephone number.

(3) The existence of the notice requirements contained in subsections (1) and (2) of this section shall not require an extension of the release date in the event that the release plan changes after notification.

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- 1 (4) If an inmate convicted of a violent offense, a sex offense as defined by RCW 9.94A.030, a domestic violence court order violation 2 pursuant to <u>section 56 of this act,</u> RCW 10.99.040, 10.99.050, 3 26.09.300, 26.10.220, 26.26B.050, 26.50.110, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145, 4 or a felony harassment offense as defined by RCW 9A.46.060 or 5 6 9A.46.110, escapes from a correctional facility, the department of 7 corrections shall immediately notify, by the most reasonable and expedient means available, the chief of police of the city and the 8 sheriff of the county in which the inmate resided immediately before 9 the inmate's arrest and conviction. If previously requested, the 10 11 department shall also notify the witnesses and the victim of the crime for which the inmate was convicted or the victim's next of kin 12 if the crime was a homicide. If the inmate is recaptured, the 13 14 department shall send notice to the persons designated in this subsection as soon as possible but in no event later than two working 15 16 days after the department learns of such recapture.
- 17 (5) If the victim, the victim's next of kin, or any witness is 18 under the age of sixteen, the notice required by this section shall 19 be sent to the parents or legal guardian of the child.

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- (6) The department of corrections shall send the notices required by this chapter to the last address provided to the department by the requesting party. The requesting party shall furnish the department with a current address.
- 24 (7) The department of corrections shall keep, for a minimum of two years following the release of an inmate, the following:
 - (a) A document signed by an individual as proof that that person is registered in the victim or witness notification program; and
 - (b) A receipt showing that an individual registered in the victim or witness notification program was mailed a notice, at the individual's last known address, upon the release or movement of an inmate.
- 32 (8) For purposes of this section the following terms have the 33 following meanings:
- 34 (a) "Violent offense" means a violent offense under RCW 35 9.94A.030;
- 36 (b) "Next of kin" means a person's spouse, state registered 37 domestic partner, parents, siblings and children.
- 38 (9) Nothing in this section shall impose any liability upon a 39 chief of police of a city or sheriff of a county for failing to

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- 1 request in writing a notice as provided in subsection (1) of this 2 section.
- 3 **Sec. 171.** RCW 72.09.714 and 2019 c 46 s 5044 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- 5 The department of corrections shall provide the victims, witnesses, and next of kin in the case of a homicide and victims and 6 witnesses involved in violent offense cases, sex offenses as defined 7 by RCW 9.94A.030, a domestic violence court order violation pursuant 8 to <u>section 56 of this act</u>, RCW 10.99.040, 10.99.050, 26.09.300, 9 26.10.220, 26.26B.050, 26.50.110, 26.52.070, or 74.34.145, or a 10 felony harassment pursuant to RCW 9A.46.060 or 9A.46.110, a statement 11 of the rights of victims and witnesses to request and receive 12 notification under RCW 72.09.712 and 72.09.716. 13
- 14 **Sec. 172.** RCW 74.34.020 and 2019 c 325 s 5030 are each amended 15 to read as follows:
- The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 18 (1) "Abandonment" means action or inaction by a person or entity 19 with a duty of care for a vulnerable adult that leaves the vulnerable 20 person without the means or ability to obtain necessary food, 21 clothing, shelter, or health care.

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- (2) "Abuse" means the <u>intentional</u>, willful, <u>or reckless</u> action or inaction that inflicts injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation, or punishment on a vulnerable adult. In instances of abuse of a vulnerable adult who is unable to express or demonstrate physical harm, pain, or mental anguish, the abuse is presumed to cause physical harm, pain, or mental anguish. Abuse includes sexual abuse, mental abuse, physical abuse, and personal exploitation of a vulnerable adult, and improper use of restraint against a vulnerable adult which have the following meanings:
- (a) "Sexual abuse" means any form of nonconsensual sexual 31 conduct, including but not limited to unwanted or inappropriate 32 touching, rape, ((sodomy)) molestation, indecent liberties, sexual 33 coercion, sexually explicit photographing or recording, voyeurism, 34 indecent exposure, and sexual harassment. Sexual abuse also includes 35 any sexual conduct between a staff person, who is not also a resident 36 37 or client, of a facility or a staff person of a program authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW, and a vulnerable adult living in that 38

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facility or receiving service from a program authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW, whether or not it is consensual.

- (b) "Physical abuse" means the <u>intentional</u>, willful, or <u>reckless</u> action of inflicting bodily injury or physical mistreatment. Physical abuse includes, but is not limited to, striking with or without an object, slapping, pinching, choking, kicking, shoving, or prodding.
- (c) "Mental abuse" means ((a)) an intentional, willful, or reckless verbal or nonverbal action that threatens, humiliates, harasses, coerces, intimidates, isolates, unreasonably confines, or punishes a vulnerable adult. Mental abuse may include ridiculing, yelling, or swearing.
- (d) "Personal exploitation" means an act of forcing, compelling, or exerting undue influence over a vulnerable adult causing the vulnerable adult to act in a way that is inconsistent with relevant past behavior, or causing the vulnerable adult to perform services for the benefit of another.
- (e) "Improper use of restraint" means the inappropriate use of chemical, physical, or mechanical restraints for convenience or discipline or in a manner that: (i) Is inconsistent with federal or state licensing or certification requirements for facilities, hospitals, or programs authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW; (ii) is not medically authorized; or (iii) otherwise constitutes abuse under this section.
- (3) "Chemical restraint" means the administration of any drug to manage a vulnerable adult's behavior in a way that reduces the safety risk to the vulnerable adult or others, has the temporary effect of restricting the vulnerable adult's freedom of movement, and is not standard treatment for the vulnerable adult's medical or psychiatric condition.
- (4) "Consent" means express written consent granted after the vulnerable adult or his or her legal representative has been fully informed of the nature of the services to be offered and that the receipt of services is voluntary.
- 34 (5) "Department" means the department of social and health 35 services.
 - (6) "Facility" means a residence licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW, assisted living facilities; chapter 18.51 RCW, nursing homes; chapter 70.128 RCW, adult family homes; chapter 72.36 RCW, soldiers' homes; chapter 71A.20 RCW, residential

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1 habilitation centers; or any other facility licensed or certified by 2 the department.

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- (7) "Financial exploitation" means the illegal or improper use, control over, or withholding of the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult by any person or entity for any person's or entity's profit or advantage other than for the vulnerable adult's profit or advantage. "Financial exploitation" includes, but is not limited to:
- (a) The use of deception, intimidation, or undue influence by a person or entity in a position of trust and confidence with a vulnerable adult to obtain or use the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult for the benefit of a person or entity other than the vulnerable adult;
- (b) The breach of a fiduciary duty, including, but not limited to, the misuse of a power of attorney, trust, or a guardianship appointment, that results in the unauthorized appropriation, sale, or transfer of the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult for the benefit of a person or entity other than the vulnerable adult; or
- (c) Obtaining or using a vulnerable adult's property, income, resources, or trust funds without lawful authority, by a person or entity who knows or clearly should know that the vulnerable adult lacks the capacity to consent to the release or use of his or her property, income, resources, or trust funds.
- (8) "Financial institution" has the same meaning as in RCW 30A.22.040 and 30A.22.041. For purposes of this chapter only, "financial institution" also means a "broker-dealer" or "investment adviser" as defined in RCW 21.20.005.
- (9) "Hospital" means a facility licensed under chapter 70.41 or 71.12 RCW or a state hospital defined in chapter 72.23 RCW and any employee, agent, officer, director, or independent contractor thereof.
- 33 (10) "Incapacitated person" means a person who is at a significant risk of personal or financial harm under RCW 11.88.010(1) 35 (a), (b), (c), or (d).
- 36 (11) "Individual provider" means a person under contract with the 37 department to provide services in the home under chapter 74.09 or 38 74.39A RCW.
- 39 (12) "Interested person" means a person who demonstrates to the 40 court's satisfaction that the person is interested in the welfare of

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the vulnerable adult, that the person has a good faith belief that the court's intervention is necessary, and that the vulnerable adult is unable, due to incapacity, undue influence, or duress at the time the petition is filed, to protect his or her own interests.

- (13)(a) "Isolate" or "isolation" means to restrict a vulnerable adult's ability to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with persons of his or her choosing. Isolation may be evidenced by acts including but not limited to:
- (i) Acts that prevent a vulnerable adult from sending, making, or receiving his or her personal mail, electronic communications, or telephone calls; or
 - (ii) Acts that prevent or obstruct the vulnerable adult from meeting with others, such as telling a prospective visitor or caller that a vulnerable adult is not present, or does not wish contact, where the statement is contrary to the express wishes of the vulnerable adult.
 - (b) The term "isolate" or "isolation" may not be construed in a manner that prevents a guardian or limited guardian from performing his or her fiduciary obligations under chapter 11.92 RCW or prevents a hospital or facility from providing treatment consistent with the standard of care for delivery of health services.
 - (14) "Mandated reporter" is an employee of the department; law enforcement officer; social worker; professional school personnel; individual provider; an employee of a facility; an operator of a facility; an employee of a social service, welfare, mental health, adult day health, adult day care, home health, home care, or hospice agency; county coroner or medical examiner; Christian Science practitioner; or health care provider subject to chapter 18.130 RCW.
 - (15) "Mechanical restraint" means any device attached or adjacent to the vulnerable adult's body that he or she cannot easily remove that restricts freedom of movement or normal access to his or her body. "Mechanical restraint" does not include the use of devices, materials, or equipment that are (a) medically authorized, as required, and (b) used in a manner that is consistent with federal or state licensing or certification requirements for facilities, hospitals, or programs authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW.
 - (16) "Neglect" means (a) a pattern of conduct or inaction by a person or entity with a duty of care that fails to provide the goods and services that maintain physical or mental health of a vulnerable adult, or that fails to avoid or prevent physical or mental harm or

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- pain to a vulnerable adult; or (b) an act or omission by a person or entity with a duty of care that demonstrates a serious disregard of consequences of such a magnitude as to constitute a clear and present danger to the vulnerable adult's health, welfare, or safety, including but not limited to conduct prohibited under RCW 9A.42.100.
- (17) "Permissive reporter" means any person, including, but not limited to, an employee of a financial institution, attorney, or volunteer in a facility or program providing services for vulnerable adults.
- (18) "Physical restraint" means the application of physical force without the use of any device, for the purpose of restraining the free movement of a vulnerable adult's body. "Physical restraint" does not include (a) briefly holding without undue force a vulnerable adult in order to calm or comfort him or her, or (b) holding a vulnerable adult's hand to safely escort him or her from one area to another.
- (19) "Protective services" means any services provided by the department to a vulnerable adult with the consent of the vulnerable adult, or the legal representative of the vulnerable adult, who has been abandoned, abused, financially exploited, neglected, or in a state of self-neglect. These services may include, but are not limited to case management, social casework, home care, placement, arranging for medical evaluations, psychological evaluations, day care, or referral for legal assistance.
- (20) "Self-neglect" means the failure of a vulnerable adult, not living in a facility, to provide for himself or herself the goods and services necessary for the vulnerable adult's physical or mental health, and the absence of which impairs or threatens the vulnerable adult's well-being. This definition may include a vulnerable adult who is receiving services through home health, hospice, or a home care agency, or an individual provider when the neglect is not a result of inaction by that agency or individual provider.
 - (21) "Social worker" means:

- (a) A social worker as defined in RCW 18.320.010(2); or
- 35 (b) Anyone engaged in a professional capacity during the regular 36 course of employment in encouraging or promoting the health, welfare, 37 support, or education of vulnerable adults, or providing social 38 services to vulnerable adults, whether in an individual capacity or 39 as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or 40 institution.

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- (22) "Vulnerable adult" includes a person:
- 2 (a) Sixty years of age or older who has the functional, mental, 3 or physical inability to care for himself or herself; or
 - (b) Found incapacitated under chapter 11.88 RCW; or
- 5 (c) Who has a developmental disability as defined under RCW 71A.10.020; or
 - (d) Admitted to any facility; or

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- 8 (e) Receiving services from home health, hospice, or home care 9 agencies licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 70.127 10 RCW; or
 - (f) Receiving services from an individual provider; or
- 12 (g) Who self-directs his or her own care and receives services 13 from a personal aide under chapter 74.39 RCW.
- 14 (23) "Vulnerable adult advocacy team" means a team of three or
 15 more persons who coordinate a multidisciplinary process, in
 16 compliance with chapter 266, Laws of 2017 and the protocol governed
 17 by RCW 74.34.320, for preventing, identifying, investigating,
 18 prosecuting, and providing services related to abuse, neglect, or
 19 financial exploitation of vulnerable adults.
- 20 **Sec. 173.** RCW 74.34.020 and 2020 c 312 s 735 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
- The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
 - (1) "Abandonment" means action or inaction by a person or entity with a duty of care for a vulnerable adult that leaves the vulnerable person without the means or ability to obtain necessary food, clothing, shelter, or health care.
 - (2) "Abuse" means the <u>intentional</u>, willful, or <u>reckless</u> action or inaction that inflicts injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation, or punishment on a vulnerable adult. In instances of abuse of a vulnerable adult who is unable to express or demonstrate physical harm, pain, or mental anguish, the abuse is presumed to cause physical harm, pain, or mental anguish. Abuse includes sexual abuse, mental abuse, physical abuse, and personal exploitation of a vulnerable adult, and improper use of restraint against a vulnerable adult which have the following meanings:
- 37 (a) "Sexual abuse" means any form of nonconsensual sexual 38 conduct, including but not limited to unwanted or inappropriate 39 touching, rape, ((sodomy)) molestation, indecent liberties, sexual

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- coercion, sexually explicit photographing or recording, voyeurism, indecent exposure, and sexual harassment. Sexual abuse also includes any sexual conduct between a staff person, who is not also a resident or client, of a facility or a staff person of a program authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW, and a vulnerable adult living in that facility or receiving service from a program authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW, whether or not it is consensual.
 - (b) "Physical abuse" means the <u>intentional</u>, willful, or <u>reckless</u> action of inflicting bodily injury or physical mistreatment. Physical abuse includes, but is not limited to, striking with or without an object, slapping, pinching, choking, kicking, shoving, or prodding.

- (c) "Mental abuse" means ((a)) an intentional, willful, or reckless verbal or nonverbal action that threatens, humiliates, harasses, coerces, intimidates, isolates, unreasonably confines, or punishes a vulnerable adult. Mental abuse may include ridiculing, yelling, or swearing.
- (d) "Personal exploitation" means an act of forcing, compelling, or exerting undue influence over a vulnerable adult causing the vulnerable adult to act in a way that is inconsistent with relevant past behavior, or causing the vulnerable adult to perform services for the benefit of another.
- (e) "Improper use of restraint" means the inappropriate use of chemical, physical, or mechanical restraints for convenience or discipline or in a manner that: (i) Is inconsistent with federal or state licensing or certification requirements for facilities, hospitals, or programs authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW; (ii) is not medically authorized; or (iii) otherwise constitutes abuse under this section.
- (3) "Chemical restraint" means the administration of any drug to manage a vulnerable adult's behavior in a way that reduces the safety risk to the vulnerable adult or others, has the temporary effect of restricting the vulnerable adult's freedom of movement, and is not standard treatment for the vulnerable adult's medical or psychiatric condition.
- (4) "Consent" means express written consent granted after the vulnerable adult or his or her legal representative has been fully informed of the nature of the services to be offered and that the receipt of services is voluntary.
- 39 (5) "Department" means the department of social and health 40 services.

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(6) "Facility" means a residence licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW, assisted living facilities; chapter 18.51 RCW, nursing homes; chapter 70.128 RCW, adult family homes; chapter 72.36 RCW, soldiers' homes; chapter 71A.20 RCW, residential habilitation centers; or any other facility licensed or certified by the department.

- (7) "Financial exploitation" means the illegal or improper use, control over, or withholding of the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult by any person or entity for any person's or entity's profit or advantage other than for the vulnerable adult's profit or advantage. "Financial exploitation" includes, but is not limited to:
- (a) The use of deception, intimidation, or undue influence by a person or entity in a position of trust and confidence with a vulnerable adult to obtain or use the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult for the benefit of a person or entity other than the vulnerable adult;
- (b) The breach of a fiduciary duty, including, but not limited to, the misuse of a power of attorney, trust, or a guardianship appointment, that results in the unauthorized appropriation, sale, or transfer of the property, income, resources, or trust funds of the vulnerable adult for the benefit of a person or entity other than the vulnerable adult; or
- (c) Obtaining or using a vulnerable adult's property, income, resources, or trust funds without lawful authority, by a person or entity who knows or clearly should know that the vulnerable adult lacks the capacity to consent to the release or use of his or her property, income, resources, or trust funds.
- (8) "Financial institution" has the same meaning as in RCW 30A.22.040 and 30A.22.041. For purposes of this chapter only, "financial institution" also means a "broker-dealer" or "investment adviser" as defined in RCW 21.20.005.
- 33 (9) "Hospital" means a facility licensed under chapter 70.41 or 34 71.12 RCW or a state hospital defined in chapter 72.23 RCW and any 35 employee, agent, officer, director, or independent contractor 36 thereof.
- 37 (10) "Individual provider" means a person under contract with the 38 department to provide services in the home under chapter 74.09 or 39 74.39A RCW.

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(11) "Interested person" means a person who demonstrates to the court's satisfaction that the person is interested in the welfare of the vulnerable adult, that the person has a good faith belief that the court's intervention is necessary, and that the vulnerable adult is unable, due to incapacity, undue influence, or duress at the time the petition is filed, to protect his or her own interests.

- (12)(a) "Isolate" or "isolation" means to restrict a vulnerable adult's ability to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with persons of his or her choosing. Isolation may be evidenced by acts including but not limited to:
- (i) Acts that prevent a vulnerable adult from sending, making, or receiving his or her personal mail, electronic communications, or telephone calls; or
- (ii) Acts that prevent or obstruct the vulnerable adult from meeting with others, such as telling a prospective visitor or caller that a vulnerable adult is not present, or does not wish contact, where the statement is contrary to the express wishes of the vulnerable adult.
- (b) The term "isolate" or "isolation" may not be construed in a manner that prevents a guardian or limited guardian from performing his or her fiduciary obligations under chapter 11.130 RCW or prevents a hospital or facility from providing treatment consistent with the standard of care for delivery of health services.
- (13) "Mandated reporter" is an employee of the department; law enforcement officer; social worker; professional school personnel; individual provider; an employee of a facility; an operator of a facility; an employee of a social service, welfare, mental health, adult day health, adult day care, home health, home care, or hospice agency; county coroner or medical examiner; Christian Science practitioner; or health care provider subject to chapter 18.130 RCW.
- (14) "Mechanical restraint" means any device attached or adjacent to the vulnerable adult's body that he or she cannot easily remove that restricts freedom of movement or normal access to his or her body. "Mechanical restraint" does not include the use of devices, materials, or equipment that are (a) medically authorized, as required, and (b) used in a manner that is consistent with federal or state licensing or certification requirements for facilities, hospitals, or programs authorized under chapter 71A.12 RCW.
- (15) "Neglect" means (a) a pattern of conduct or inaction by a person or entity with a duty of care that fails to provide the goods

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- and services that maintain physical or mental health of a vulnerable adult, or that fails to avoid or prevent physical or mental harm or pain to a vulnerable adult; or (b) an act or omission by a person or entity with a duty of care that demonstrates a serious disregard of consequences of such a magnitude as to constitute a clear and present danger to the vulnerable adult's health, welfare, or safety, including but not limited to conduct prohibited under RCW 9A.42.100.
- (16) "Permissive reporter" means any person, including, but not limited to, an employee of a financial institution, attorney, or volunteer in a facility or program providing services for vulnerable adults.
- (17) "Physical restraint" means the application of physical force without the use of any device, for the purpose of restraining the free movement of a vulnerable adult's body. "Physical restraint" does not include (a) briefly holding without undue force a vulnerable adult in order to calm or comfort him or her, or (b) holding a vulnerable adult's hand to safely escort him or her from one area to another.
- (18) "Protective services" means any services provided by the department to a vulnerable adult with the consent of the vulnerable adult, or the legal representative of the vulnerable adult, who has been abandoned, abused, financially exploited, neglected, or in a state of self-neglect. These services may include, but are not limited to case management, social casework, home care, placement, arranging for medical evaluations, psychological evaluations, day care, or referral for legal assistance.
- (19) "Self-neglect" means the failure of a vulnerable adult, not living in a facility, to provide for himself or herself the goods and services necessary for the vulnerable adult's physical or mental health, and the absence of which impairs or threatens the vulnerable adult's well-being. This definition may include a vulnerable adult who is receiving services through home health, hospice, or a home care agency, or an individual provider when the neglect is not a result of inaction by that agency or individual provider.
 - (20) "Social worker" means:

- (a) A social worker as defined in RCW 18.320.010(2); or
- (b) Anyone engaged in a professional capacity during the regular course of employment in encouraging or promoting the health, welfare, support, or education of vulnerable adults, or providing social services to vulnerable adults, whether in an individual capacity or

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1 as an employee or agent of any public or private organization or 2 institution.

- (21) "Vulnerable adult" includes a person:
- (a) Sixty years of age or older who has the functional, mental, or physical inability to care for himself or herself; or
- 6 (b) Subject to a guardianship under RCW 11.130.265 or adult 7 subject to conservatorship under RCW 11.130.360; or
- 8 (c) Who has a developmental disability as defined under RCW 9 71A.10.020; or
 - (d) Admitted to any facility; or

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- 11 (e) Receiving services from home health, hospice, or home care 12 agencies licensed or required to be licensed under chapter 70.127 13 RCW; or
 - (f) Receiving services from an individual provider; or
- 15 (g) Who self-directs his or her own care and receives services 16 from a personal aide under chapter 74.39 RCW.
- 17 (22) "Vulnerable adult advocacy team" means a team of three or
 18 more persons who coordinate a multidisciplinary process, in
 19 compliance with chapter 266, Laws of 2017 and the protocol governed
 20 by RCW 74.34.320, for preventing, identifying, investigating,
 21 prosecuting, and providing services related to abuse, neglect, or
 22 financial exploitation of vulnerable adults.
- 23 **Sec. 174.** RCW 74.34.110 and 2007 c 312 s 3 are each amended to 24 read as follows:
- ((An action known as a petition for an order for protection of a vulnerable adult in cases of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect is created.
 - (1))) A vulnerable adult, or interested person on behalf of the vulnerable adult, may seek relief from abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect, or the threat thereof, by filing a petition for ((an order for)) a vulnerable adult protection ((in superior court)) order under chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act).
- (((2) A petition shall allege that the petitioner, or person on whose behalf the petition is brought, is a vulnerable adult and that the petitioner, or person on whose behalf the petition is brought, has been abandoned, abused, financially exploited, or neglected, or is threatened with abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect by respondent.

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(3) A petition shall be accompanied by affidavit made under oath, or a declaration signed under penalty of perjury, stating the specific facts and circumstances which demonstrate the need for the relief sought. If the petition is filed by an interested person, the affidavit or declaration must also include a statement of why the petitioner qualifies as an interested person.

- (4) A petition for an order may be made whether or not there is a pending lawsuit, complaint, petition, or other action pending that relates to the issues presented in the petition for an order for protection.
- (5) Within ninety days of receipt of the master copy from the administrative office of the courts, all court clerk's offices shall make available the standardized forms and instructions required by RCW 74.34.115.
- (6) Any assistance or information provided by any person, including, but not limited to, court clerks, employees of the department, and other court facilitators, to another to complete the forms provided by the court in subsection (5) of this section does not constitute the practice of law.
- 20 (7) A petitioner is not required to post bond to obtain relief in any proceeding under this section.
 - (8) An action under this section shall be filed in the county where the vulnerable adult resides; except that if the vulnerable adult has left or been removed from the residence as a result of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect, or in order to avoid abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect, the petitioner may bring an action in the county of either the vulnerable adult's previous or new residence.
- 29 (9) No filing fee may be charged to the petitioner for 30 proceedings under this section. Standard forms and written 31 instructions shall be provided free of charge.))
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 175. Sections 131 and 173 of this act take 33 effect January 1, 2022.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 176. Section 172 of this act expires January 35 1, 2022.

36 PART XV

1 **Sec. 177.** RCW 7.90.150 and 2006 c 138 s 16 are each amended to read as follows:

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- (1) (a) When any person charged with or arrested for a sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, a violation of RCW 9A.44.096, a violation of RCW 9.68A.090, or a gross misdemeanor that is, under chapter 9A.28 RCW, a criminal attempt, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy to commit an offense that is classified as a sex offense under RCW 9.94A.030, is released from custody before arraignment or trial on bail or personal recognizance, the court authorizing the release may prohibit that person from having any contact with the victim. The jurisdiction authorizing the release shall determine whether that person should be prohibited from having any contact with the victim. If there is no outstanding restraining or protective order prohibiting that person from having contact with the victim, the court authorizing release may issue, by telephone, a sexual assault ((protection)) no-contact order prohibiting the person charged or arrested from having contact with the victim or from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location.
- 20 (b) In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions 21 of RCW 9.41.800.
- (c) The sexual assault ((protection)) no-contact order shall also be issued in writing as soon as possible.
 - (2) (a) At the time of arraignment or whenever a motion is brought to modify the conditions of the defendant's release, the court shall determine whether a sexual assault ((protection)) no-contact order shall be issued or extended. If a sexual assault ((protection)) no-contact order is issued or extended, the court may also include in the conditions of release a requirement that the defendant submit to electronic monitoring. If electronic monitoring is ordered, the court shall specify who shall provide the monitoring services, and the terms under which the monitoring shall be performed. Upon conviction, the court may require as a condition of the sentence that the defendant reimburse the providing agency for the costs of the electronic monitoring.
 - (b) A sexual assault ((protection)) no-contact order issued by the court in conjunction with criminal charges shall terminate if the defendant is acquitted or the charges are dismissed, unless the victim files an independent action for a sexual assault protection order. If the victim files an independent action for a sexual assault

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protection order, the order may be continued by the court until a full hearing is conducted pursuant to ((RCW 7.90.050)) chapter 7.--RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act).

- (3) (a) The written order releasing the person charged or arrested shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: "Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and will subject a violator to arrest. You can be arrested even if any person protected by the order invites or allows you to violate the order's prohibitions. You have the sole responsibility to avoid or refrain from violating the order's provisions. Only the court can change the order."
- 13 (b) A certified copy of the order shall be provided to the victim at no charge.
 - (4) If a sexual assault ((protection)) no-contact order has been issued prior to charging, that order shall expire at arraignment or within seventy-two hours if charges are not filed. Such orders need not be entered into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system in this state which is used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants.
 - (5) Whenever an order prohibiting contact is issued pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state.
 - (6)(a) When a defendant is found guilty of a sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, any violation of RCW 9A.44.096, or any violation of RCW 9.68A.090, or any gross misdemeanor that is, under chapter 9A.28 RCW, a criminal attempt, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy to commit an offense that is classified as a sex offense under RCW 9.94A.030, and a condition of the sentence restricts the defendant's ability to have contact with the victim,

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- (b) The written order entered as a condition of sentencing shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: "Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and will subject a violator to arrest. You can be arrested even if any person protected by the order invites or allows you to violate the order's prohibitions. You have the sole responsibility to avoid or refrain from violating the order's provisions. Only the court can change the order."
- (c) A final sexual assault ((protection)) no-contact order entered in conjunction with a criminal prosecution shall remain in effect for a period of two years following the expiration of any sentence of imprisonment and subsequent period of community supervision, conditional release, probation, or parole.
- 17 (d) A certified copy of the order shall be provided to the victim 18 at no charge.
- (7) A knowing violation of a court order issued under subsection (1), (2), or (6) of this section is punishable under (($\frac{RCW}{21}$ 26.50.110)) section 56 of this act.
 - (8) Whenever a sexual assault ((protection)) no-contact order is issued, modified, or terminated under subsection (1), (2), or (6) of this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated under subsection (2) of this section, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from the computer-based criminal intelligence information system.
- 38 **Sec. 178.** RCW 7.92.160 and 2013 c 84 s 16 are each amended to 39 read as follows:

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- 1 (1) (a) When any person charged with or arrested for stalking as defined in RCW 9A.46.110 or any other stalking-related offense under 2 RCW 9A.46.060 is released from custody before arraignment or trial on 3 bail or personal recognizance, the court authorizing the release may 4 prohibit that person from having any contact with the victim. The 5 6 jurisdiction authorizing the release shall determine whether that person should be prohibited from having any contact with the victim. 7 is no outstanding restraining or protective order 8 prohibiting that person from having contact with the victim, and the 9 victim does not qualify for a domestic violence protection order 10 under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 11 12 81 of this act), the court authorizing release may issue, by telephone, a stalking no-contact order prohibiting the person charged 13 or arrested from having contact with the victim or from knowingly 14 coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of 15 16 a location.
- 17 (b) In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions 18 of RCW 9.41.800.
- 19 (c) The stalking no-contact order shall also be issued in writing 20 as soon as possible.

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- (2) (a) At the time of arraignment or whenever a motion is brought to modify the conditions of the defendant's release, the court shall determine whether a stalking no-contact order shall be issued or extended. If a stalking no-contact order is issued or extended, the court may also include in the conditions of release a requirement that the defendant submit to electronic monitoring, including real-time global ((position satellite [global positioning system])) positioning system monitoring with victim notification. If electronic monitoring is ordered, the court shall specify who shall provide the monitoring services, and the terms under which the monitoring shall be performed. Upon conviction, the court may require as a condition of the sentence that the defendant reimburse the providing agency for the costs of the electronic monitoring, including costs relating to real-time global ((position satellite [global positioning system])) positioning system monitoring with victim notification.
- (b) A stalking no-contact order issued by the court in conjunction with criminal charges shall terminate if the defendant is acquitted or the charges are dismissed, unless the victim files an independent action for a stalking protection order. If the victim files an independent action for a civil stalking protection order,

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the order may be continued by the court until a full hearing is conducted pursuant to ((RCW 7.92.060)) chapter 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act).

- (3) (a) The written order releasing the person charged or arrested shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: "Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and will subject a violator to arrest. You can be arrested even if any person protected by the order invites or allows you to violate the order's prohibitions. You have the sole responsibility to avoid or refrain from violating the order's provisions. Only the court can change the order."
- 13 (b) A certified copy of the order shall be provided to the victim 14 at no charge.
 - (4) If a stalking no-contact order has been issued prior to charging, that order shall expire at arraignment or within seventy-two hours if charges are not filed.
 - (5) Whenever an order prohibiting contact is issued pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year unless a different expiration date is specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state.
 - (6) (a) When a defendant is found guilty of stalking as defined in RCW 9A.46.110 or any other stalking-related offense under RCW 9A.46.060 and a condition of the sentence restricts the defendant's ability to have contact with the victim, and the victim does not qualify for a domestic violence protection order under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act), the condition shall be recorded as a stalking no-contact order.
 - (b) The written order entered as a condition of sentencing shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: "Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter ((26.50)) 7.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 81 of this act) and will subject

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- a violator to arrest. You can be arrested even if any person protected by the order invites or allows you to violate the order's prohibitions. You have the sole responsibility to avoid or refrain from violating the order's provisions. Only the court can change the order."
 - (c) A final stalking no-contact order entered in conjunction with a criminal prosecution shall remain in effect for a period of five years from the date of entry.
- 9 (d) A certified copy of the order shall be provided to the victim 10 at no charge.
- (7) A knowing violation of a court order issued under subsection (1), (2), or (6) of this section is punishable under (($\frac{RCW}{13}$) section 56 of this act.
 - (8) Whenever a stalking no-contact order is issued, modified, or terminated under subsection (1), (2), or (6) of this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order, the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year unless a different expiration date is specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated under subsection (2) of this section, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from the computer-based criminal intelligence information system.

30 PART XV

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31 RECODIFICATIONS AND REPEALERS

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 179. RECODIFICATION. RCW 26.50.150 is recodified as a section in chapter 43.20A RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 180. RECODIFICATION. RCW 26.50.250 is recodified as a section in chapter 70.123 RCW.

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 181.** RECODIFICATION. RCW 7.90.150 is
- 2 recodified as a section in chapter 9A.44 RCW.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 182.** RECODIFICATION. RCW 7.92.160 is
- 4 recodified as a section in chapter 9A.46 RCW.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 183.** REPEALERS. The following acts or parts
- 6 of acts are each repealed:
- 7 (1) RCW 7.90.005 (Legislative declaration) and 2007 c 212 s 1 &
- 8 2006 c 138 s 1;
- 9 (2) RCW 7.90.010 (Definitions) and 2020 c 296 s 3 & 2006 c 138 s
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- 11 (3) RCW 7.90.020 (Petition for a sexual assault protection order—
- 12 Creation—Contents—Administration) and 2019 c 258 s 2, 2007 c 55 s 1,
- 13 & 2006 c 138 s 5;
- 14 (4) RCW 7.90.030 (Petition—Who may file) and 2007 c 212 s 2 &
- 15 2006 c 138 s 3;
- 16 (5) RCW 7.90.040 (Petition—Additional requirements) and 2013 c 74
- 17 s 1 & 2006 c 138 s 4;
- 18 (6) RCW 7.90.050 (Petition—Hearings prior to issuance of
- 19 protection order) and 2013 c 74 s 2 & 2006 c 138 s 6;
- 20 (7) RCW 7.90.052 (Service by publication—When authorized) and
- 21 2013 c 74 s 6;
- 22 (8) RCW 7.90.053 (Service by mail—When authorized) and 2013 c 74
- 23 s 7;
- 24 (9) RCW 7.90.054 (Issuance of order following service by
- 25 publication or mail) and 2013 c 74 s 8;
- 26 (10) RCW 7.90.055 (Fees not permitted—Filing, service of process,
- 27 certified copies) and 2007 c 55 s 2;
- 28 (11) RCW 7.90.060 (Sexual assault advocates) and 2006 c 138 s 7;
- 29 (12) RCW 7.90.070 (Appointment of counsel) and 2006 c 138 s 8;
- 30 (13) RCW 7.90.080 (Evidence) and 2006 c 138 s 9;
- 31 (14) RCW 7.90.090 (Burden of proof—Issuance of protection order—
- 32 Remedies—Violations) and 2019 c 245 s 4 & 2006 c 138 s 10;
- 33 (15) RCW 7.90.100 (Accountability for conduct of others) and 2006
- 34 c 138 s 11;
- 35 (16) RCW 7.90.110 (Ex parte temporary sexual assault protection
- 36 orders—Issuance) and 2019 c 245 s 5, 2007 c 212 s 3, & 2006 c 138 s
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- 1 (17) RCW 7.90.120 (Ex parte orders—Duration) and 2017 c 233 s 1, 2 2013 c 74 s 3, & 2006 c 138 s 13;
- 3 (18) RCW 7.90.121 (Renewal of ex parte order) and 2017 c 233 s 2 4 & 2013 c 74 s 4;
- 5 (19) RCW 7.90.130 (Sexual assault protection orders—Contents) and 6 2006 c 138 s 14;
- 7 (20) RCW 7.90.140 (Sexual assault protection orders—Service to respondent) and 2019 c 245 s 6, 2013 c 74 s 5, & 2006 c 138 s 15;
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- 11 (22) RCW 7.90.160 (Law enforcement agencies—Entry of protection 12 order data) and 2006 c 138 s 17;
- 13 (23) RCW 7.90.170 (Modification or termination of protection orders) and 2017 c 233 s 3, 2013 c 74 s 9, & 2006 c 138 s 18;
- 15 (24) RCW 7.90.180 (Administrative office of the courts—Court clerks—Instructional and informational material) and 2006 c 138 s 19;
- 17 (25) RCW 7.90.190 (Admissibility of ex parte temporary orders in civil actions) and 2006 c 138 s 20;
- 19 (26) RCW 7.90.900 (Short title—2006 c 138) and 2006 c 138 s 28;
 - (27) RCW 7.92.010 (Intent—Finding) and 2013 c 84 s 1;

- 21 (28) RCW 7.92.020 (Definitions) and 2020 c 296 s 4 & 2013 c 84 s 22 2;
- 23 (29) RCW 7.92.030 (Petition for stalking protection order— 24 Creation—Contents) and 2013 c 84 s 3;
- 25 (30) RCW 7.92.040 (Petition—Who may file) and 2013 c 84 s 4;
- 26 (31) RCW 7.92.050 (Petition—Additional requirements) and 2013 c 27 84 s 5;
- 28 (32) RCW 7.92.060 (Petition—Hearings prior to issuance of 29 protection order) and 2013 c 84 s 6;
- 30 (33) RCW 7.92.070 (Consultation with judicial information system) 31 and 2013 c 84 s 7;
- 32 (34) RCW 7.92.080 (Fees not permitted) and 2013 c 84 s 8;
- 33 (35) RCW 7.92.090 (Victim's advocates) and 2013 c 84 s 9;
- 34 (36) RCW 7.92.100 (Burden of proof—Issuance of protection order— 35 Remedies) and 2019 c 245 s 7 & 2013 c 84 s 10;
- 36 (37) RCW 7.92.110 (Accountability for conduct of others) and 2013 37 c 84 s 11;
- 38 (38) RCW 7.92.120 (Ex parte temporary order for protection— 39 Issuance) and 2019 c 245 s 8 & 2013 c 84 s 12;

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- 1 (39) RCW 7.92.125 (Ex parte temporary order—Admissibility in subsequent civil actions) and 2013 c 84 s 22;
- 3 (40) RCW 7.92.130 (Protection orders—Duration) and 2013 c 84 s 4 13;
- 5 (41) RCW 7.92.140 (Protection order—Contents) and 2013 c 84 s 14;
- 6 (42) RCW 7.92.150 (Protection orders—Service to respondent— 7 Service by publication) and 2019 c 245 s 9 & 2013 c 84 s 15;
- 8 (43) RCW 7.92.170 (Personal jurisdiction by court over 9 nonresident individuals) and 2013 c 84 s 17;
- 10 (44) RCW 7.92.180 (Copy of order to be forwarded to law 11 enforcement agency—Entry of information into computer-based 12 information systems) and 2013 c 84 s 18;
- 13 (45) RCW 7.92.190 (Modification or termination of protection 14 orders) and 2019 c 245 s 10 & 2013 c 84 s 19;
- 15 (46) RCW 7.92.900 (Construction—Filing of criminal charges not required) and 2013 c 84 s 23;
- 17 (47) RCW 7.92.901 (Short title) and 2013 c 84 s 24;
- 18 (48) RCW 7.94.010 (Purpose—Intent) and 2019 c 246 s 1 & 2017 c 3
 19 s 1 (Initiative Measure No. 1491, approved November 8, 2016);
- 20 (49) RCW 7.94.020 (Definitions) and 2017 c 3 s 3 (Initiative 21 Measure No. 1491, approved November 8, 2016);
- 22 (50) RCW 7.94.030 (Petition for order) and 2019 c 246 s 2 & 2017 23 c 3 s 4 (Initiative Measure No. 1491, approved November 8, 2016);
- 24 (51) RCW 7.94.040 (Hearings on petition—Grounds for order 25 issuance) and 2019 c 246 s 3 & 2017 c 3 s 5 (Initiative Measure No. 26 1491, approved November 8, 2016);
- 27 (52) RCW 7.94.050 (Ex parte orders) and 2017 c 3 s 6 (Initiative 28 Measure No. 1491, approved November 8, 2016);
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- 31 (54) RCW 7.94.070 (Service by publication or mail) and 2017 c 3 s 32 8 (Initiative Measure No. 1491, approved November 8, 2016);
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- 12 (63) RCW 7.94.900 (Short title—2017 c 3 (Initiative Measure No.
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- 17 (65) RCW 10.14.020 (Definitions) and 2011 c 307 s 2, 2001 c 260 s 18 2, 1999 c 27 s 4, 1995 c 127 s 1, & 1987 c 280 s 2;
- 19 (66) RCW 10.14.030 (Course of conduct—Determination of purpose) 20 and 1987 c 280 s 3;
- 23 (68) RCW 10.14.045 (Protection order commissioners—Appointment 24 authorized) and 2013 c 84 s 20;
- 25 (69) RCW 10.14.050 (Administrator for courts—Forms, information) 26 and 1987 c 280 s 5;
- 27 (70) RCW 10.14.055 (Fees excused, when) and 2020 c 29 s 8 & 2002 28 c 117 s 2;
- 29 (71) RCW 10.14.060 (Proceeding in forma pauperis) and 1987 c 280 30 s 6;
- 31 (72) RCW 10.14.065 (Orders—Judicial information system to be 32 consulted) and 2011 c 307 s 6;
- 33 (73) RCW 10.14.070 (Hearing—Service) and 2013 c 84 s 30, 2005 c 34 144 s 1, 1992 c 143 s 10, & 1987 c 280 s 7;
- 35 (74) RCW 10.14.080 (Antiharassment protection orders—Ex parte temporary—Hearing—Longer term, renewal—Acts not prohibited) and 2019 c 245 s 11, 2019 c 46 s 5011, 2011 c 307 s 3, 2001 c 311 s 1, 38 1995 c 246 s 36, 1994 sp.s. c 7 s 448, 1992 c 143 s 11, & 1987 c 280

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- 3 (76) RCW 10.14.090 (Representation or appearance) and 1992 c 143 4 s 14 & 1987 c 280 s 9;
- 5 (77) RCW 10.14.100 (Service of order) and 2019 c 245 s 12, 2002 c 117 s 3, 2001 c 311 s 2, 1992 c 143 s 15, & 1987 c 280 s 10;
- 7 (78) RCW 10.14.105 (Order following service by publication) and 8 1992 c 143 s 13;
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- 11 (80) RCW 10.14.115 (Enforcement of order—Knowledge prerequisite 12 to penalties—Reasonable efforts to serve copy of order) and 1992 c 13 143 s 17;
- 14 (81) RCW 10.14.120 (Disobedience of order—Penalties) and 2001 c 15 260 s 4, 1989 c 373 s 14, & 1987 c 280 s 12;
- 16 (82) RCW 10.14.125 (Service by publication—Costs) and 2002 c 117 17 s 4 & 1992 c 143 s 18;
- 18 (83) RCW 10.14.130 (Exclusion of certain actions) and 2006 c 138 19 s 22 & 1987 c 280 s 13;
- 20 (84) RCW 10.14.140 (Other remedies) and 1987 c 280 s 14;
- 21 (85) RCW 10.14.150 (Jurisdiction) and 2019 c 216 s 1, 2011 c 307 22 s 1, 2005 c 196 s 1, 1999 c 170 s 1, 1991 c 33 s 2, & 1987 c 280 s 23 15;
- 24 (86) RCW 10.14.155 (Personal jurisdiction—Nonresident individual) 25 and 2010 c 274 s 308;
- 26 (87) RCW 10.14.160 (Where action may be brought) and 2005 c 196 s 2, 1992 c 127 s 1, & 1987 c 280 s 16;
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- 30 (89) RCW 10.14.180 (Modification of order) and 2019 c 245 s 13 & 31 1987 c 280 s 18;
- 32 (90) RCW 10.14.190 (Constitutional rights) and 1987 c 280 s 19;
- 33 (91) RCW 10.14.200 (Availability of orders in family law proceedings) and 2019 c 46 s 5012, 1999 c 397 s 4, & 1995 c 246 s 35;
- 35 (92) RCW 10.14.210 (Court appearance after violation) and 2012 c 36 223 s 4;
- 37 (93) RCW 10.14.800 (Master petition pattern form to be developed— 38 Recommendations to legislature) and 2013 c 84 s 21;
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- 4 (96) RCW 26.50.021 (Actions on behalf of vulnerable adults— 5 Authority of department of social and health services—Immunity from 6 liability) and 2000 c 119 s 1;
- 7 (97) RCW 26.50.025 (Orders under this chapter and chapter 26.09, 8 26.10, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW—Enforcement—Consolidation) and 2019 c 46 s 5036 & 1995 c 246 s 2;
- 10 (98) RCW 26.50.030 (Petition for an order for protection— 11 Availability of forms and informational brochures—Bond not required) 12 and 2005 c 282 s 39, 1996 c 248 s 12, 1995 c 246 s 3, 1992 c 111 s 2, 13 1985 c 303 s 2, & 1984 c 263 s 4;
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- 19 (100) RCW 26.50.040 (Fees not permitted—Filing, service of 20 process, certified copies) and 1995 c 246 s 5, 1985 c 303 s 4, & 1984 c 263 s 5;
- 22 (101) RCW 26.50.050 (Hearing—Service—Time) and 2008 c 287 s 2, 23 1995 c 246 s 6, 1992 c 143 s 1, & 1984 c 263 s 6;
- 24 (102) RCW 26.50.055 (Appointment of interpreter) and 1995 c 246 s 25 11;
- 26 (103) RCW 26.50.060 (Relief—Duration—Realignment of designation of parties—Award of costs, service fees, attorneys' fees, and limited license legal technician fees) and 2020 c 311 s 9, 2019 c 46 s 5038, 2018 c 84 s 1, 2010 c 274 s 304, 2009 c 439 s 2, 2000 c 119 s 15, 1999 c 147 s 2, 1996 c 248 s 13, 1995 c 246 s 7, & 1994 sp.s. c 7 s 457;
- 32 (104) RCW 26.50.070 (Ex parte temporary order for protection) and 33 2019 c 245 s 14, 2018 c 22 s 9, 2010 c 274 s 305, 2000 c 119 s 16, 34 1996 c 248 s 14, 1995 c 246 s 8, 1994 sp.s. c 7 s 458, 1992 c 143 s 35 3, 1989 c 411 s 2, & 1984 c 263 s 8;
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- 2 by publication—Circumstances) and 2016 c 202 s 25 & 1992 c 143 s 4;
- 3 (107) RCW 26.50.090 (Order—Service—Fees) and 2019 c 245 s 15,
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- 7 (109) RCW 26.50.100 (Order—Transmittal to law enforcement agency 8 —Record in law enforcement information system—Enforceability) and 9 1996 c 248 s 15, 1995 c 246 s 13, 1992 c 143 s 7, & 1984 c 263 s 11;
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- 15 (112) RCW 26.50.120 (Violation of order—Prosecuting attorney or 16 attorney for municipality may be requested to assist—Costs and 17 attorney's fee) and 1984 c 263 s 13;
- 18 (113) RCW 26.50.123 (Service by mail) and 1995 c 246 s 16;
- 19 (114) RCW 26.50.125 (Service by publication or mailing—Costs) and 20 2002 c 117 s 5, 1995 c 246 s 17, & 1992 c 143 s 9;
- 21 (115) RCW 26.50.130 (Order for protection—Modification or 22 termination—Service—Transmittal) and 2019 c 245 s 16, 2011 c 137 s 23 2, 2008 c 287 s 3, & 1984 c 263 s 14;
- 24 (116) RCW 26.50.135 (Residential placement or custody of a child— 25 Prerequisite) and 1995 c 246 s 19;
- 26 (117) RCW 26.50.140 (Peace officers—Immunity) and 1984 c 263 s 27 17;
- 28 (118) RCW 26.50.160 (Judicial information system—Database) and 29 2019 c 263 s 914, 2019 c 46 s 5040, 2017 3rd sp.s. c 6 s 335, & 2006 30 c 138 s 26;
- 31 (119) RCW 26.50.165 (Judicial information system—Names of adult 32 cohabitants in third-party custody actions) and 2003 c 105 s 4;
- 33 (120) RCW 26.50.200 (Title to real estate—Effect) and 1985 c 303 34 s 7 & 1984 c 263 s 15;
- 35 (121) RCW 26.50.210 (Proceedings additional) and 1984 c 263 s 16;
- 36 (122) RCW 26.50.220 (Parenting plan—Designation of parent for other state and federal purposes) and 1989 c 375 s 26;
- 38 (123) RCW 26.50.230 (Protection order against person with a 39 disability, brain injury, or impairment) and 2010 c 274 s 303;

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- 1 (124) RCW 26.50.240 (Personal jurisdiction—Nonresident 2 individuals) and 2010 c 274 s 306;
- 3 (125) RCW 26.50.900 (Short title) and 1984 c 263 s 1;
- 4 (126) RCW 26.50.901 (Effective date—1984 c 263) and 1984 c 263 s 5 32;
- 6 (127) RCW 74.34.115 (Protection of vulnerable adults— 7 Administrative office of the courts—Standard petition—Order for 8 protection—Standard notice—Court staff handbook) and 2007 c 312 s 4;
- 9 (128) RCW 74.34.120 (Protection of vulnerable adults—Hearing) and 10 2007 c 312 s 5 & 1986 c 187 s 6;
- 11 (129) RCW 74.34.130 (Protection of vulnerable adults—Judicial relief) and 2007 c 312 s 6;
- 13 (130) RCW 74.34.135 (Protection of vulnerable adults—Filings by others—Dismissal of petition or order—Testimony or evidence—
 15 Additional evidentiary hearings—Temporary order) and 2020 c 312 s 737
 16 & 2007 c 312 s 9;
- 17 (131) RCW 74.34.140 (Protection of vulnerable adults—Execution of 18 protective order) and 2012 c 156 s 2 & 1986 c 187 s 8;
- 19 (132) RCW 74.34.145 (Protection of vulnerable adults—Notice of criminal penalties for violation—Enforcement under RCW 26.50.110) and 21 2020 c 29 s 17, 2007 c 312 s 7, & 2000 c 119 s 2;
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- 24 (134) RCW 74.34.160 (Protection of vulnerable adults—Proceedings 25 are supplemental) and 1986 c 187 s 11;
- 26 (135) RCW 74.34.163 (Application to modify or vacate order) and 27 2020 c 312 s 738 & 2007 c 312 s 10;
- 28 (136) RCW 74.34.210 (Order for protection or action for damages— 29 Standing—Jurisdiction) and 2007 c 312 s 11 & 1995 1st sp.s. c 18 s 30 86; and
- 31 (137) RCW 26.10.115 (Temporary orders—Support—Restraining orders 32 —Domestic violence or antiharassment protection orders—Notice of 33 modification or termination of restraining order—Preservation of 34 support debt) and 2019 c 245 s 18, 2000 c 119 s 9, 1995 c 246 s 29, 1994 sp.s. c 7 s 454, & 1989 c 375 s 32.

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