

ESSB 5005 - CONF REPT

By Conference Committee

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

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4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 1.04.010 and 1951 c 5 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The ninety-one titles with chapters and sections designated as
7 the "Revised Code of Washington" and attested by the secretary of
8 the senate and the chief clerk of the house of representatives of
9 the legislature of the state of Washington, are hereby enacted and
10 designated as the "Revised Code of Washington." Said code is
11 intended to embrace in a revised, consolidated, and codified form
12 and arrangement all the laws of the state of a general and permanent
13 nature.

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15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 1.04.013 and 1951 c 5 s 1 are each amended to read
16 as follows:

17 The titles, chapters, and sections designated as the "1950
18 Supplement to the Revised Code of Washington" attested by the
19 secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house of
20 representatives of the legislature of the state of Washington, and
21 filed with the secretary of state, are hereby enacted and
22 consolidated into and with the Revised Code of Washington. Said 1950
23 supplement is intended to embrace (1) in a revised and codified
24 form, all those laws of the state of Washington of a general and
25 permanent nature enacted since January 1, 1949, (2) revision and
26 recodification of certain of the titles, chapters, and sections of
27 the revised code, and (3) application of a new system of numbering

1 to all of the sections and certain of the chapters of the revised
2 code, subject to RCW 1.04.014.

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4 **Sec. 3.** RCW 1.04.014 and 1951 c 5 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The system of numbering employed in the 1950 supplement is
7 hereby adopted as the general system to be followed in designating
8 sections of the revised code. Specific numbers, in accordance with
9 such system, are authorized to be assigned to sections of the
10 revised code as follows:

11 Those chapters and sections of the revised code expressly
12 numbered or renumbered in the 1950 supplement are authorized to be
13 numbered or renumbered to the new number respectively shown in the
14 1950 supplement. All other sections of the revised code now existing
15 are authorized to be renumbered by tens according to the plan
16 generally used in the 1950 supplement, using the number of the
17 title, the new number, if any, of the chapter in which the section
18 occurs, and adding the digit "0" to the terminal end of the number
19 marking the position of the section within the chapter. The
20 secretary of state shall, before publication of any laws enacted at
21 this session of the legislature which are by their terms expressly
22 amendatory of any section or sections contained in the revised code
23 or the 1950 supplement, renumber each section and correlate the
24 numbers of sections so renumbered, in accordance with this
25 provision, so that each such section when published bears or is
26 referred to by its proper new number. The secretary of state, in
27 publishing the session laws of this thirty-second session of the
28 legislature shall use therein the applicable new numbers of the
29 respective sections so renumbered.

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31 **Sec. 4.** RCW 1.04.015 and 1951 c 5 s 4 are each amended to read
32 as follows:

33 New chapters or sections added to the Revised Code of Washington
34 (as supplemented or modified by the 1950 supplement), as the result

1 of laws enacted at this or subsequent sessions of the legislature,
2 shall be numbered in harmony with said general numbering system, and
3 shall bear such respective numbers in accordance therewith as may be
4 assigned by such official or agency as may be expressly authorized
5 by law so to do.

6 This section shall not prohibit or prevent the correction by any
7 such official or agency, of the number of any section of the revised
8 code found clearly to be incorrectly numbered or incorrectly
9 correlated with other sections as to number.

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11 **Sec. 5.** RCW 1.04.016 and 1951 c 5 s 5 are each amended to read
12 as follows:

13 It is the intent that under said numbering system the section
14 factor of the section number shall be treated as a decimal figure,
15 and where new sections must hereafter in codifying be inserted
16 between sections then already consecutively numbered, the proper
17 number for such new section shall be created by the insertion of an
18 additional digit at the terminal end of the number of the section
19 immediately preceding the location at which such new section is to
20 be inserted.

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22 **Sec. 6.** RCW 1.04.020 and 1951 c 5 s 6 are each amended to read
23 as follows:

24 The contents of the Revised Code of Washington, after striking
25 therefrom sections repealed or superseded by laws of the state of
26 Washington enacted since January 1, 1949, as the revised code is
27 supplemented or modified in the 1950 supplement, shall establish the
28 laws of this state of a general and permanent nature in effect on
29 January 1, 1951; except, that nothing herein shall be construed as
30 changing the meaning of any such laws and, as a rule of
31 construction, in case of any omissions or any inconsistency between
32 any of the provisions of the revised code as so supplemented or
33 modified and the laws existing immediately preceding this enactment,
34 the previously existing laws shall control. Any section of the

1 Revised Code of Washington (as supplemented or modified by the 1950
2 supplement) expressly amended by the legislature, including the
3 entire context set out, shall, as so amended, constitute the law and
4 the ultimate declaration of legislative intent.

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6 **Sec. 7.** RCW 1.04.021 and 1950 ex.s. c 16 s 2 are each amended
7 to read as follows:

8 The contents of said code shall establish prima facie the laws
9 of this state of a general and permanent nature in effect on January
10 1, 1949, but nothing herein shall be construed as changing the
11 meaning of any such laws. In case of any omissions, or any
12 inconsistency between any of the provisions of said code and the
13 laws existing immediately preceding this enactment, the previously
14 existing laws shall control.

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16 **Sec. 8.** RCW 1.04.030 and 1950 ex.s. c 16 s 3 are each amended
17 to read as follows:

18 All laws of a general and permanent nature enacted after January
19 1, 1949, shall, from time to time, be incorporated into and become a
20 part of said code.

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22 **Sec. 9.** RCW 1.04.040 and 1950 ex.s. c 16 s 4 are each amended
23 to read as follows:

24 The code may be cited by the abbreviation "RCW."

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