## SECOND ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 7006

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**By** Senate Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks (originally sponsored by Senator Billig; by request of A+ Commission)

1 AN ACT Relating to ; and amending RCW 1.04.010, 1.04.013, 2 1.04.014, 1.04.015, 1.04.016, 1.04.020, 1.04.021, 1.04.030, and 3 1.04.040.

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

5 Sec. 1. RCW 1.04.010 and 1951 c 5 s 2 are each amended to read 6 as follows:

7 SECOND ENGROSSED SUB BILL The ninety-one titles with chapters and sections designated as the "Revised Code of Washington" and attested 8 9 by the secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house of 10 representatives of the legislature of the state of Washington, are 11 hereby enacted and designated as the "Revised Code of Washington." 12 Said code is intended to embrace in a revised, consolidated, and 13 codified form and arrangement all the laws of the state of a general 14 and permanent nature.

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

The titles, chapters, and sections designated as the "1950 Supplement to the Revised Code of Washington" attested by the secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house of representatives of the legislature of the state of Washington, and 1 filed with the secretary of state, are hereby enacted and consolidated into and with the Revised Code of Washington. Said 1950 2 supplement is intended to embrace (1) in a revised and codified form, 3 all those laws of the state of Washington of a general and permanent 4 nature enacted since January 1, 1949, (2) revision and recodification 5 6 of certain of the titles, chapters, and sections of the revised code, 7 and (3) application of a new system of numbering to all of the sections and certain of the chapters of the revised code, subject to 8 RCW 1.04.014. 9

10 Sec. 3. RCW 1.04.014 and 1951 c 5 s 3 are each amended to read 11 as follows:

12 The system of numbering employed in the 1950 supplement is hereby 13 adopted as the general system to be followed in designating sections 14 of the revised code. Specific numbers, in accordance with such 15 system, are authorized to be assigned to sections of the revised code 16 as follows:

17 Those chapters and sections of the revised code expressly numbered or renumbered in the 1950 supplement are authorized to be 18 numbered or renumbered to the new number respectively shown in the 19 20 1950 supplement. All other sections of the revised code now existing 21 are authorized to be renumbered by tens according to the plan 22 generally used in the 1950 supplement, using the number of the title, the new number, if any, of the chapter in which the section occurs, 23 24 and adding the digit "0" to the terminal end of the number marking 25 the position of the section within the chapter. The secretary of state shall, before publication of any laws enacted at this session 26 27 of the legislature which are by their terms expressly amendatory of any section or sections contained in the revised code or the 1950 28 supplement, renumber each section and correlate the numbers of 29 30 sections so renumbered, in accordance with this provision, so that 31 each such section when published bears or is referred to by its proper new number. The secretary of state, in publishing the session 32 laws of this thirty-second session of the legislature shall use 33 therein the applicable new numbers of the respective sections so 34 35 renumbered.

36 Sec. 4. RCW 1.04.015 and 1951 c 5 s 4 are each amended to read 37 as follows:

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New chapters or sections added to the Revised Code of Washington (as supplemented or modified by the 1950 supplement), as the result of laws enacted at this or subsequent sessions of the legislature, shall be numbered in harmony with said general numbering system, and shall bear such respective numbers in accordance therewith as may be assigned by such official or agency as may be expressly authorized by law so to do.

8 This section shall not prohibit or prevent the correction by any 9 such official or agency, of the number of any section of the revised 10 code found clearly to be incorrectly numbered or incorrectly 11 correlated with other sections as to number.

12 Sec. 5. RCW 1.04.016 and 1951 c 5 s 5 are each amended to read 13 as follows:

It is the intent that under said numbering system the section 14 15 factor of the section number shall be treated as a decimal figure, 16 and where new sections must hereafter in codifying be inserted 17 between sections then already consecutively numbered, the proper 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 20 immediately preceding the location at which such new section is to be 21 inserted.

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 therefrom sections repealed or superseded by laws of the state of 25 26 Washington enacted since January 1, 1949, as the revised code is supplemented or modified in the 1950 supplement, shall establish the 27 laws of this state of a general and permanent nature in effect on 28 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 construction, in case of any omissions or any inconsistency between any of the 31 provisions of the revised code as so supplemented or modified and the 32 laws existing immediately preceding this enactment, the previously 33 34 existing laws shall control. Any section of the Revised Code of Washington (as supplemented or modified by the 1950 supplement) 35 expressly amended by the legislature, including the entire context 36 37 set out, shall, as so amended, constitute the law and the ultimate declaration of legislative intent. 38

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

3 The contents of said code shall establish prima facie the laws of 4 this state of a general and permanent nature in effect on January 1, 5 1949, but nothing herein shall be construed as changing the meaning 6 of any such laws. In case of any omissions, or any inconsistency 7 between any of the provisions of said code and the laws existing 8 immediately preceding this enactment, the previously existing laws 9 shall control.

10 Sec. 8. RCW 1.04.030 and 1950 ex.s. c 16 s 3 are each amended to 11 read as follows:

All laws of a general and permanent nature enacted after January 13 1, 1949, shall, from time to time, be incorporated into and become a 14 part of said code.

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

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

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