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1 AN ACT Relating to the penalty for littering; amending RCW
2 70.93.060; and prescribing penalties.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.93.060 and 1983 c 277 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 No person shall throw, drop, deposit, discard, or otherwise dispose
7 of litter upon any public property in the state or upon private
8 property in this state not owned by him or in the waters of this state
9 whether from a vehicle or otherwise including but not limited to any
10 public highway, public park, beach, campground, forest land,
11 recreational area, trailer park, highway, road, street, or alley
12 except:

13 (1) When such property is designated by the state or by any of its
14 agencies or political subdivisions for the disposal of garbage and

1 refuse, and such person is authorized to use such property for such
2 purpose;

3 (2) Into a litter receptacle in such a manner that the litter will
4 be prevented from being carried away or deposited by the elements upon
5 any part of said private or public property or waters.

6 Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty
7 of a misdemeanor, and the fine for such violation shall ~~((not))~~ be no
8 less than fifty dollars and no more than three hundred dollars or a
9 maximum of ten days in jail for each offense. In addition thereto,
10 except where infirmity or age or other circumstance would create a
11 hardship, such person shall be directed by the court in which
12 conviction is obtained to pick up and remove litter from public
13 property and/or private property, with prior permission of the legal
14 owner, for not less than eight hours nor more than sixteen hours for
15 each separate offense. The court shall schedule the time to be spent
16 on such activities in such a manner that it does not interfere with the
17 person's employment and does not interfere substantially with the
18 person's family responsibilities.