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SENATE BILL 6384

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By Senators Drew and Roach

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1 AN ACT Relating to boards of trustees for county hospitals; and  
2 amending RCW 36.62.110 and 36.62.120.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.62.110 and 1984 c 26 s 8 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 Whenever any county, or any county and city jointly, or two or more  
7 counties jointly, establish a hospital for the care and treatment of  
8 the indigent, sick, injured, or infirm, under the provisions of this  
9 chapter, and such hospital is completed and ready for operation, the  
10 county legislative authority of the county in which the institution is  
11 located shall appoint (~~(thirteen)~~) seventeen persons as trustees for  
12 the institution. The (~~(thirteen)~~) seventeen trustees, together with  
13 the additional trustees required by RCW 36.62.130, if any, shall  
14 constitute a board of trustees for such hospital.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 36.62.120 and 1984 c 26 s 9 are each amended to read  
16 as follows:

17 The first members of the board of trustees of such institution  
18 shall be appointed by the county legislative authority within thirty

1 days after the institution has been completed and is ready for  
2 operation. The county legislative authority appointing the initial  
3 members shall appoint three members for one-year terms, three members  
4 for two-year terms, three members for three-year terms, and four  
5 members for four-year terms, and until their successors are appointed  
6 and qualified, and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for  
7 terms of four years and until their successors are appointed and  
8 qualified(~~(:—PROVIDED, That)~~). However, the continuation of a member  
9 past the expiration date of the term shall not change the commencement  
10 date of the term of the succeeding member. Each term of the initial  
11 trustees shall be deemed to commence on the first day of August  
12 following the appointment but shall also include the period intervening  
13 between the appointment and the first day of August following the  
14 appointment.

15 For an institution which is already in existence on (~~(June 7,~~  
16 ~~1984)~~) the effective date of this act, the county legislative authority  
17 shall appoint within thirty days of (~~(June 7, 1984, three)~~) the  
18 effective date of this act, one additional member(~~(s)~~) for a one-year  
19 term(~~(s)~~), (~~(two)~~) one additional member(~~(s)~~) for a two-year term(~~(s)~~),  
20 (~~(and two)~~) one additional member(~~(s)~~) for a three-year term(~~(s)~~), and  
21 one additional member for a four-year term, and until their successors  
22 are appointed and qualified, and thereafter their successors shall be  
23 appointed for terms of four years and until their successors are  
24 appointed and qualified(~~(:—PROVIDED FURTHER, That)~~). However, the  
25 continuation of an additional member past the expiration date of the  
26 term shall not change the commencement date of the term of the  
27 succeeding member. Each term of the initial additional members shall  
28 be deemed to commence on the first day of August of the year of  
29 appointment but shall also include the period intervening between the  
30 appointment and the first day of August of the year of the appointment.

31 Upon expiration of the terms of current members, the successors to  
32 current members shall be appointed for four-year terms and until their  
33 successors are appointed and qualified(~~(:—AND PROVIDED FURTHER,~~  
34 ~~That)~~). However, the continuation of a successor to a current member  
35 past the expiration date of the term shall not change the commencement  
36 date of the term of the succeeding member. Each term of the initial  
37 successors to current members shall be deemed to commence on the first  
38 day of August following the expiration of a current term but shall also

- 1 include the period intervening between the appointment and the first
- 2 day of August of the year of the appointment.

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