

CHAPTER 89  
[Senate Bill No. 429]  
IRRIGATION DISTRICTS--  
CROP DAMAGE--NOTICE

AN ACT Relating to preliminary notices in connection with the filing of crop damage claims against irrigation districts; and amending section 2, chapter 276, Laws of 1961 as amended by section 15, chapter 164, Laws of 1967 and RCW 87.03.440.

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

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 276, Laws of 1961 amended by section 15, chapter 164, Laws of 1967 and RCW 87.03.440, are each amended to read as follows:

The treasurer of the county in which is located the office of the district shall be ex officio treasurer of the district, and any county treasurer handling district funds shall be liable upon his official bond and to criminal prosecution for malfeasance and misfeasance, or failure to perform any duty as county or district treasurer. The treasurer of each county in which lands of the district are located shall collect and receipt for all assessments levied on lands within his county. There shall be deposited with the district treasurer all funds of the district. He shall pay out such funds upon warrants issued by the county auditor against the proper funds of the district, except the sums to be paid out of the bond fund upon coupons or bonds presented to the treasurer. All warrants shall be paid in the order of their issuance. The district treasurer shall report, in writing, on the first Monday in each month to the directors, the amount in each fund, the receipts for the month preceding in each fund, and file the report with the secretary of the board. The secretary shall report to the board, in writing, at the regular meeting in each month, the amount of receipts and expenditures during the preceding month, and file the report in the office of the board.

Any claim against the district for which it is liable under existing laws shall be presented to the board as provided in RCW 4.96-.020 and upon allowance it shall be attached to a voucher verified by

the claimant and approved by the chairman and signed by the secretary and directed to the auditor for payment: PROVIDED, That in the event claimant's claim is for crop damage the claimant in addition to filing his claim within the one hundred twenty day limit and in the manner specified in RCW 4.96.020 must file with the secretary of the district, or in his absence one of the directors, not less than three days prior to the severance of the crop alleged to be damaged, a written preliminary notice pertaining to the crop alleged to be damaged. Such preliminary notice, so far as claimant is able, shall advise the district; that the claimant has filed a claim or intends to file a claim against the district for alleged crop damage; shall give the name and present residence of the claimant; shall state the cause of the damage to the crop alleged to be damaged and the estimated amount of damage; and shall accurately locate and describe where the crop alleged to be damaged is located. Such preliminary notice may be given by claimant or by anyone acting in his behalf and need not be verified. No action may be commenced against an irrigation district for crop damages unless claimant has complied with the provisions of RCW 4.96-.020 and also with the preliminary notice requirements of this section.

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Passed the House March 10, 1969.

Approved by the Governor March 24, 1969.

Filed in office of Secretary of State March 24, 1969.

CHAPTER 90

[Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 147]

FOOD FISH AND SHELLFISH--

CHARTER BOATS

AN ACT Relating to food fish and shellfish; adding a new section to chapter 12, Laws of 1955, and to chapter 75.28 RCW; repealing section 75.28.090, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 as amended by section 4, chapter 212, Laws of 1955 and RCW 75.28.090; and providing an effective date.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 12, Laws of 1955, and to chapter 75.28 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Every owner of a vessel used as a charter boat from which food