

CHAPTER 211

[Substitute House Bill No. 1548]

VOTER REGISTRATION IN STATE OFFICES

AN ACT Relating to voter registration in state offices; amending section 29.07.010, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 1, chapter 48, Laws of 1980 and RCW 29.07.010; adding a new section to chapter 29.07 RCW; and creating a new section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. It is the intention of the legislature, in order to encourage the broadest possible participation in the electoral process by the citizens of the state of Washington, to make voter registration services available in state offices which have significant contact with the public.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 29.07 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) The director or chief administrative officer of each state agency shall provide voter registration services for employees and the public within each office of that agency which is convenient to the public for registration purposes except where, or during such times as, the director or officer finds that there would be a great inconvenience to the public or to the operation of the agency due to inadequate staff time for this purpose.

(2) The secretary of state shall design and provide a standard notice informing the public of the availability of voter registration, which notice shall be posted in each state agency where such services are available.

Sec. 3. Section 29.07.010, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 1, chapter 48, Laws of 1980 and RCW 29.07.010 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In all counties, the county auditor shall be the chief registrar of voters for every precinct within the county. He or she shall appoint a deputy registrar for each precinct or ~~((for any number))~~ group of precincts and shall appoint city or town clerks as deputy registrars to assist in registering ~~((voters))~~ persons residing in cities, towns, and rural precincts within the county.

(2) In addition, ~~((he))~~ the auditor shall appoint a deputy registrar for each common school ~~((who))~~. A deputy registrar in a common school shall be a school official or school employee~~((, and))~~. The auditor shall appoint a deputy registrar for each fire station ~~((which))~~ that he or she finds is convenient to the public for registration purposes and is adequately staffed so that registration would not be a great inconvenience for the fire station personnel. ~~((The))~~ A fire station appointee shall be a person employed at the station.

(3) The auditor shall also appoint deputy registrars to provide voter registration services for each state office providing voter registration under section 2 of this act.

(4) A deputy registrar shall be a registered voter (~~(and;)~~). Except for city and town clerks, each registrar shall hold office at the pleasure of the county auditor.

(5) The county auditor shall be the custodian of the official registration records of each precinct within that county. (~~The expenses of registration shall be apportioned between the county and cities or towns therein in the same manner as provided in RCW 29.07.030;~~)

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CHAPTER 212

[Substitute House Bill No. 1531]

FLOOD CONTROL

AN ACT Relating to flooding; amending section 3, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.010; amending section 6, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.040; amending section 7, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.050; amending section 8, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.060; amending section 10, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.080; amending section 11, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.090; amending section 12, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.100; adding a new section to chapter 4.92 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 4.96 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 79.01 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 86.26 RCW; repealing section 4, chapter 195, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 86.16.095; repealing section 4, chapter 240, Laws of 1951, section 2, chapter 84, Laws of 1961 and RCW 86.26.020; repealing section 5, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.030; and repealing section 13, chapter 240, Laws of 1951, section 38, chapter 106, Laws of 1973 and RCW 86.26.110.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. There is added to chapter 86.26 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The flood control assistance account is hereby established in the general fund. At the beginning of each biennium after June 30, 1985, the state treasurer shall transfer from the general fund to the flood control assistance account an amount of money which, when combined with money remaining in the account from the previous biennium, will equal four million dollars. Moneys in the flood control assistance account may be spent only after appropriation for a specified list of projects under this chapter.

Sec. 2. Section 3, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.010 are each amended to read as follows:

(~~There are created under the director of conservation, the division of flood control and the office of supervisor of flood control.~~) The (~~supervisor of flood control~~) department of ecology shall have charge for the state(;) of the administration and enforcement of all laws relating to flood control.

Sec. 3. Section 6, chapter 240, Laws of 1951 and RCW 86.26.040 are each amended to read as follows: