

If the legislature intends to withdraw from the board of education this duty, it should consider whether this principle should apply to all state school bond issues and not merely to the funds authorized by this act. Such a step should be taken only after the most careful consideration and in accordance with the normal legislative processes.

Elimination of this proviso from the act does not deprive any non-high district of the opportunity to apply for emergency funds. Elimination of the proviso does restore the responsibility for the allocation of funds for school construction to the board of education.

With the exception of the item in Section 7, which I have vetoed for the reasons set forth above, the remainder of the bill is approved."

CHAPTER 14

[Engrossed House Bill No. 375]

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE --

RECIPIENTS GENERALLY -- WORK INCENTIVE

AN ACT Relating to public assistance; adding new sections to chapter 26, Laws of 1959, and to Title 74 RCW as a new chapter thereof.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The purpose of this chapter is to provide every recipient of public assistance the opportunity to find and prepare for employment: PROVIDED, That recipients of aid to families with dependent children may be subject to other similar work incentive programs. As to recipients of federal-aid assistance, the employment program shall be consistent with federal law and requirements entitling the state to matching funds.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The department of public assistance shall seek to promptly refer to the department of employment security all employable recipients and such others as are selected as being appropriate for referral in accordance with the criteria and standards established by the department of public assistance under the employment program set forth in this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The employment security department shall seek to develop an employability plan for such persons referred to it under section 2 of this 1969 act and determine whether such indi-

viduals can be placed in one of the following three service categories: (1) Employment in the regular economy, (2) institutional and work experience training likely to lead to regular employment, or (3) a program of special work projects for individuals for whom a job in the regular economy cannot be found, in accordance with the criteria and standards established by the employment security department pursuant to the employment program.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. In order to develop special work projects under the employment program set forth in this chapter, the employment security department is authorized to enter into agreements with public agencies and private nonprofit organizations, and with respect to developing special work projects for Indians on a reservation, with the respective Indian tribes represented on such reservation. The work provided thereunder must serve a useful public purpose and be such that would not otherwise be performed by regular employees.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. With respect to those individuals who are participating in a special work project established under the employment program, set forth in this chapter, the department of public assistance is authorized to pay the employment security department the amount of assistance the participant would otherwise be eligible to receive under his particular category of assistance or eighty percent of the participant's earnings under the project, whichever is lesser. These payments will be used by the employment security department under the special works contracts as wages to the individual participant. The department of public assistance will supplement any earnings so received by payments to the extent that such payments, when added to the earnings, will equal the amount of assistance he would otherwise qualify for under his particular category of assistance had he not participated in the project, plus twenty percent of his earnings from the project.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. When permitted by federal law, the employment security department is authorized to pay to any participant under service category (2), of section 3 of this 1969 act, training, an incentive payment of not more than thirty dollars per month. Such incentive

payments may be disregarded in determining the needs of such person under his particular category of assistance.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. The department of public assistance is authorized to pay or consider expenses for costs incidental to participation in any program under this chapter including necessary child care.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. Good cause for refusal of employment shall be deemed to exist under this chapter when: (1) The wage rate of the offered employment is substantially less favorable than that which prevails for similar work in the locality, or (2) the job is available because of a labor dispute, or (3) the job is not within the physical or mental capacity of the person, as established, when necessary, by competent professional authority, or (4) acceptance would be unreasonable because it would interrupt a program in process for permanent rehabilitation or self-support or conflict with an imminent likelihood of reemployment at the person's regular work, or (5) such employment would be inconsistent with the declared intent and purpose of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. Good cause for refusal to participate in training or a special work project shall be deemed to exist under this chapter, when: (1) Participation would be unreasonable because it would interrupt a program in process for permanent rehabilitation or self-support or conflict with an imminent likelihood of reemployment at the person's regular work, or (2) participation will be unreasonable because the assignment would not be within the physical or mental capacity of the person as established, when necessary, by competent professional authority, or (3) such participation would be inconsistent with the declared intent and purpose of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. The employment security department shall notify the department of public assistance whenever any person referred under the employment program provided for in this chapter refuses to accept employment or participate in training or a special work project. If the department of public assistance determines that any such person has refused employment or participation in the program without good cause, assistance shall be denied to such person.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. The employment security department and the department of public assistance are authorized to transfer funds between the two departments and to adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purpose and provisions of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. The state of Washington is hereby authorized to accept federal, private, or public funds from any source, including but not limited to funds available pursuant to the Manpower Development and Training Act of 1962, as amended, to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. Sections 1 through 12 of this 1969 act are hereby added to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to Title 74 RCW, and shall constitute a new RCW chapter under Title 74 RCW.

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CHAPTER 15

[Senate Bill No. 344]

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE -- RECIPIENTS OF AID TO FAMILIES
WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- WORK INCENTIVE

AN ACT Relating to work incentive programs for recipients of aid to families with dependent children; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The legislature hereby expresses its intention to comply with the requirements under the federal social security act, as amended, creating a work incentive program for recipients of aid to families with dependent children.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The purpose of this 1969 act is to establish a program utilizing all available manpower services, including those authorized under other provisions of law, under which individuals receiving aid to families with dependent children will be furnished incentives, opportunities, and necessary services in order to secure for such individuals (1) employment in the regular economy, (2) institutional and work experience training likely to lead to regular employment, and (3) participation in special work projects for those individuals for whom a job in the regular