

by law to receive such child, until such time as the child arrives at the age of eighteen years, whereupon the child shall be returned to the institution of original commitment. Notice of such transfers shall be given to the clerk of the committing court and the parents, guardian, or next of kin of such child, if known.

This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately. Emergency.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1959.

Passed the House March 6, 1959.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1959.

CHAPTER 141.

[S. B. 141.]

CRIMES—THREATS OF INJURY TO PROPERTY.

AN ACT prohibiting threats of property damage.

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

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to threaten to bomb or otherwise injure any public or private school building, place of worship or public assembly, or any other building, common carrier, structure or place used for human occupancy; or to communicate or repeat any information concerning such a threatened bombing or injury, knowing such information to be false and with intent to alarm the person or persons to whom the information is communicated or repeated. Threats
unlawful.

SEC. 2. It shall not be a defense to any prosecution under this act that the threatened bombing or injury was a hoax. Hoax, no
defense.

Violation,
gross mis-
demeanor.

SEC. 3. Any violation of this act shall be a gross misdemeanor.

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Passed the House March 6, 1959.

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CHAPTER 142.

[S. B. 8.]

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to public utility districts; amending section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 1953 and RCW 36.29.160, section 16, chapter 390, Laws of 1955 and RCW 54.16.150, section 17, chapter 390, Laws of 1955 and RCW 54.16.160; and adding a new section to chapter 390, Laws of 1955 and to chapter 54.16 RCW.

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

New section.

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 390, Laws of 1955 and to chapter 54.16 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Segregation
of assess-
ments au-
thorized—
Procedure.

Whenever any land against which there has been levied any special assessment by any public utility district shall have been sold in part or subdivided, the board of commissioners of such public utility district shall have the power to order a segregation of the assessment.

Any person owning any part of the land involved in a special assessment and desiring to have such special assessment against the tracts of land segregated to apply to smaller parts thereof shall apply in writing to the board of commissioners of the public utility district which levied the assessment. If the commissioners determine that a segregation should be made they shall do so as nearly as possible on the same basis as the original assessment was levied and the total of the segregated parts of the assessment shall equal the assessment before segregation.