

CHAPTER 178.

[Sub. S. B. 147.]

PUBLIC LANDS—STATE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
COST ACCOUNT.

AN ACT relating to public lands; creating a resource management cost account in the state general fund; prescribing the purposes for which it may be expended; authorizing deductions from the gross proceeds of leases, sales, contracts, licenses, permits, easements, and rights of way affecting public lands for the resource management cost account; providing for the adoption of rules; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. As used in this act:

(1) "Account" means the resource management cost account in the state general fund.

Definitions.
"Account".

(2) "Department" means the department of natural resources.

"Department".

(3) "Board" means the board of natural resources of the department of natural resources.

"Board".

(4) "Rule" means rule as the same is defined by RCW 34.04.010.

"Rule".

(5) The definitions set forth in RCW 79.01.004 shall be applicable.

SEC. 2. A resource management cost account in the state general fund is hereby created to be used solely for the purpose of defraying the costs and expenses necessarily incurred by the department in managing and administering public lands and the making and administering of leases, sales, contracts, licenses, permits, easements, and rights of way as authorized under the provisions of Title 79 RCW. Appropriations from the account shall be expended for no other purposes.

Resource management cost account.
Created—Purpose.

SEC. 3. Funds in the account derived from the gross proceeds of leases, sales, contracts, licenses, permits, easements, and rights of way issued by the department and affecting school lands, university

Limitation on use of funds from particular trust.

lands, agricultural college lands, scientific school lands, normal school lands, capitol building lands, or institutional lands shall be expended by the department solely for the purpose of defraying the costs and expenses necessarily incurred in managing and administering public lands of the same trust.

Deductions allowable from transactions—Maximum.

SEC. 4. The board shall determine the amount deemed necessary in order to achieve the purposes of this act and shall provide by rule for the deduction of this amount from the gross proceeds of all leases, sales, contracts, licenses, permits, easements, and rights of way issued by the department and affecting public lands. The deductions authorized under this section shall in no event exceed twenty percent of the total sum received by the department in connection with any one transaction.

Disposition of gross proceeds from transactions.

SEC. 5. All deductions from gross proceeds made in accordance with section 4 of this act shall be paid into the account and the balance shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the fund otherwise entitled to the proceeds.

Rules and regulations.

SEC. 6. The board shall adopt such rules as it deems necessary and proper for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

Severability.

SEC. 7. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Expiration date.

SEC. 8. This act shall expire on June 30, 1967.

Emergency.

SEC. 9. 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.

Passed the Senate March 2, 1961.

Passed the House March 6, 1961.

Approved by the Governor March 20, 1961.