

NEW SECTION. Section 4. There is added to chapter 15, Laws of 1961 and to chapter 84.64 RCW a new section to read as follows:

On order of the board of county commissioners or other legislative authority of any county, property sold or in the process of being sold to satisfy a tax lien against such property where such lien resulted from an error made by an officer or employee of the county, shall be returned to the rightful owner thereof: PROVIDED, That no order shall be issued more than one year following the date of issuance of the tax deed. If the property has already been sold, the county shall:

- (1) Commence an action for the recovery of the property;
- (2) Refund to the buyer the purchase price plus the reasonable value of all improvements to the property made in good faith by the buyer and less the value of the use thereof, and
- (3) Require the rightful owner to pay the reasonable value of all improvements to the property made in good faith by the buyer less the value of the use thereof.

If the property is in the process of being sold, the county shall take immediate steps to halt such sale and shall declare the title of the rightful owner clear, free of such tax lien.

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CHAPTER 85

[Engrossed House Bill No. 33]

SCHOOL DISTRICTS--REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRANSPORTATION COSTS

AN ACT Relating to the establishment of reserve funds by school districts for equipment depreciation reimbursement; and amending section 28A.41.160, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as amended by section 14, chapter 48, Laws of 1971 and RCW 28A.41.160.

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

Section 1. Section 28A.41.160, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as amended by section 14, chapter 48, Laws of 1971 and RCW 28A.41.160 are each amended to read as follows:

Reimbursement for transportation costs shall be in addition to state assistance based upon weighted enrollment. Transportation costs shall be reimbursed as follows:

- (1) Operational reimbursement shall be limited to ninety percent of the service costs on routes recommended by the

intermediate school district transportation commission, and as approved by the state superintendent, or shall be limited to ninety percent of the average state cost per vehicle mile for the class of vehicle approved for operation as determined by the state superintendent, whichever is the smaller; and

(2) Costs of acquisition of approved transportation equipment shall be limited to ninety percent to be reimbursed over the anticipated life of the vehicle, as determined by the state superintendent; PROVIDED, That reimbursements for the acquisition of approved transportation equipment received by school districts shall be held within the general fund exclusively for the future purpose of approved transportation equipment and major transportation equipment repairs consistent with rules and regulations authorized and promulgated under RCW 28A.41.170, 28A.65.050, and 28A.65.180.

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CHAPTER 86

[House Bill No. 79]

PRESSURE SYSTEMS--RULES AND REGULATIONS, ADOPTION,
PRIMA FACIE COMPLIANCE--EXEMPTIONS, HOT WATER HEATERS

AN ACT Relating to pressure systems; amending section 3, chapter 32, Laws of 1951 and RCW 70.79.030; and amending section 9, chapter 32, Laws of 1951 and RCW 70.79.090.

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

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 32, Laws of 1951 and RCW 70.79.030 are each amended to read as follows:

The board shall formulate definitions, rules, and regulations for the safe and proper construction, installation, repair, use, and operation of boilers and for the safe and proper construction, installation, and repair of unfired pressure vessels in this state. The definitions, rules, and regulations so formulated shall be based upon, and, at all times, follow the generally accepted nationwide engineering standards, formulae, and practices established and pertaining to boiler and unfired pressure vessel construction and safety, and the board may by resolution adopt an existing published codification thereof, known as "The Boiler Construction Code of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers", with the amendments and interpretations thereto made and approved by the council of the society, and may likewise adopt the amendments and interpretations