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CHAPTER 92

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2275]

UNIFORM ALCOHOLISM TREATMENT ACT--EFFECTIVE DATE--  
PROGRESS REPORT

AN ACT Relating to the Uniform Alcoholism and Intoxication Treatment Act; amending section 31, chapter 122, Laws of 1972 ex. sess.; and adding a new section to chapter 70.96A RCW.

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

Section 1. Section 31, chapter 122, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. is amended to read as follows:

~~((This act))~~ Chapter 122, Laws of 1972 extraordinary session shall be effective January 1, ~~((1974))~~ 1975.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 122, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. and chapter 70.96A RCW a new section to read as follows:

The department of social and health services shall make and deliver a written progress report on the implementation of the uniform alcoholism and intoxication treatment act every ninety days up to the effective date of the act, January 1, 1975 to the appropriate committee of the legislative council, or its successor.

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CHAPTER 93

[Senate Bill No. 2340]

DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES--RULES AND REGULATIONS--  
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT COMPLIANCE

AN ACT Relating to the department of fisheries; and amending section 75.08.090, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 and RCW 75.08.090.

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

Section 1. Section 75.08.090, chapter 12, Laws of 1955 and

RCW 75.08.090 are each amended to read as follows:

All rules and regulations of the director, acting director or such person designated by the director, and all amendments to, or modifications or revocations of existing rules and regulations shall be made and adopted by the director and shall be promulgated ((by publication in a newspaper of general circulation published at the state capital and shall take effect and be in force at the times specified therein)) in accordance with the provisions of chapter 34.04 RCW.

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CHAPTER 94

[Senate Bill No. 2415]

GROUND WATERS--REDEFINED

AN ACT Relating to water rights; amending section 3, chapter 263, Laws of 1945 and RCW 90.44.035; and adding a new section to chapter 263, Laws of 1945 and to chapter 90.44 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 263, Laws of 1945 and to chapter 90.44 RCW a new section to read as follows:

It is the purpose of this 1973 amendatory act to state as well as reaffirm the intent of the legislature that "ground waters," as defined in chapter 263, Laws of 1945, means all waters within the state existing beneath the land surface, and to remove any possible ambiguity which may exist as a result of the dissenting opinion in State v. Ponten, 77 Wn.2d 463 (1969), or otherwise, with regard to the meaning of "ground waters" in the present wording of RCW 90.44.035. The definition set forth in section 2 of this 1973 amendatory act accords with the interpretation given by all of the various administrative agencies having responsibility for administration of the act since its enactment in 1945.

Sec. 2. Section 3, chapter 263, Laws of 1945 and RCW 90.44.035 are each amended to read as follows:

All ((bodies of)) watersg that exist beneath the land surface ((and that there saturate the interstices of rocks or other materials--that is, the waters of underground streams or channels, artesian basins, underground reservoirs, lakes or basins, whose existence or whose boundaries may be reasonably established or ascertained--)) or beneath the bed of any stream, lake or reservoir,