AN ACT Relating to state government and the support thereof; providing for the planning, construction, furnishing and equipping of an office-laboratory building and facilities at Washington State University Tree Fruit Research Center and providing for the financing thereof by the issuance of bonds; making an appropriation; creating new sections; adding new sections to chapter 28B.30 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. For the purpose of funding and providing the planning, construction, furnishing and equipping, together with all improvements thereon, of an office-laboratory facility at Washington State University Tree Fruit Research Center, the state finance committee is authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of one million eight hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be required, to finance the project defined in this 1974 act and all costs incidental thereto. Such bonds shall be paid and discharged within thirty years of the date of issuance in accordance with Article VIII, section 1 of the state Constitution.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The issuance, sale and retirement of said bonds shall be under the supervision and control of the state finance committee. The committee is authorized to prescribe the form, terms, conditions, and covenants of the bonds, the time or times of sale of all or any portion of them, and the conditions and manner of their sale, issuance and redemption. None of the bonds herein authorized shall be sold for less than the par value thereof.

The committee may provide that the bonds, or any of them, may be called prior to the maturity date thereof under such terms, conditions, and provisions as it may determine and may authorize the use of facsimile signatures in the issuance of such bonds and notes, if any. Such bonds shall be payable at such places as the committee may provide.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. At the time the state finance committee determines to issue such bonds or a portion thereof, it may, pending the issuance of such bonds, issue, in the name of the state, temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of the bonds, which notes shall be designated as "anticipation
notes". Such portion of the proceeds of the sale of such bonds that may be required for such purpose shall be applied to the payment of the principal of and interest on such anticipation notes which have been issued. The proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this 1974 act shall be deposited in the office-laboratory construction account hereby created in the general fund of the state treasury and shall be used exclusively for the purposes specified in this 1974 act and for the payment of expenses incurred in the issuance and sale of bonds.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The principal proceeds from the sale of the bonds or notes deposited in the office-laboratory construction account of the general fund shall be administered by Washington State University.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Bonds issued under the provisions of this 1974 act shall state that they are a general obligation of the state of Washington, additionally secured by rental payments received from the federal government or any other funds which may be legally pledged for such purpose, shall pledge the full faith and credit of the state to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon, and shall contain an unconditional promise to pay such principal and interest as the same shall become due.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. The office-laboratory facilities bond redemption fund is hereby created in the state treasury, which fund shall be exclusively devoted to the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized by this 1974 act. The state finance committee, shall, on or before June 30th of each year, certify to the state treasurer the amount needed in the ensuing twelve months to meet such bond retirement and interest requirements which may exceed cash available in the bond redemption fund from rental revenues, and on July 1st of each year the state treasurer shall deposit such amount in the office-laboratory facilities bond redemption fund from any general state revenues received in the state treasury and certified by the state treasurer to be general state revenues.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. The owner and holder of any of the bonds authorized by this 1974 act may by a mandamus or other appropriate proceeding require the transfer and payment of funds as directed herein.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. None of the bonds authorized in this 1974 act shall be sold unless a long-term lease agreement shall be entered into between Washington State University and the general services administration of the federal government providing for the joint occupancy of this facility by the United States Department of Agriculture and Washington State University. The lease payments by the federal government or any other funds which may be legally
pledged for such purpose, shall provide for the amortization of the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized by this 1974 act as certified by the state finance committee, in addition to custodial, maintenance and utility services costs. All lease payments received by the University for payment of the principal and interest on the bonds shall be remitted by the University annually and in advance of the beginning of each fiscal year and deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the office-laboratory facilities bond redemption fund.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. The legislature may provide additional means for raising moneys for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized in this 1974 act, and this 1974 act shall not be deemed to provide an exclusive method for such payments.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. The bonds authorized in this 1974 act shall be a legal investment for all state funds or funds under state control and for all funds of any other public body.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. There is hereby appropriated to Washington State University from the office-laboratory construction account of the general fund, out of the sale of the bonds or notes authorized by this 1974 act, the sum of one million eight hundred thousand dollars, or such lesser amount as may be required, to finance the planning, construction, furnishing and equipping, together with all improvements thereon, of the facility authorized by this 1974 act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. Sections 1 through 11 of this 1974 act are hereby added to chapter 28B.30 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. This 1974 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.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. If any provision of this 1974 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.

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AN ACT Relating to studies of sites for thermal power plants and associated transmission lines; adding new sections to chapter 45, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and to chapter 80.50 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 45, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and to chapter 80.50 RCW a new section to read as follows:

It is the intent of section 2 of this 1974 act to expedite the certification of sites for thermal power plants and associated transmission lines, to minimize duplication of effort in conducting studies of and preparing environmental impact statements relating to such sites, to authorize and encourage cooperation between the council and counties, other governmental agencies, and municipal or public corporations in connection with such sites, and to provide for a single detailed statement in accordance with RCW 43.21C.030 (c) where any proposed thermal power plants and associated transmission lines are subject to certification pursuant to chapter 80.50 RCW, and to further the development of power generation facilities to meet pressing needs: PROVIDED, That it is the intent of the Legislature that appropriate consideration will be given to protecting and preserving the quality of the environment.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 45, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and to chapter 80.50 RCW, a new section to read as follows:

(1) In addition to all other powers conferred on the council under this chapter, the council shall have the powers set forth in this section.

(2) The council, upon request of any potential applicant, is authorized, as provided in this section, to conduct a study of any potential site prior to receipt of an application for site certification. A fee of ten thousand dollars for each potential site, to be applied toward the cost of any study agreed upon pursuant to subsection (3) of this section, shall accompany the request and shall be a condition precedent to any action on the request by the council.

(3) After receiving a request to study a potential site, the council shall commission its own independent consultant to study matters relative to the potential site. The study shall include, but