conclusion under the provisions of law applicable thereto at the time of commencement of such action and all decrees and orders heretofore or hereafter in all other respects regularly entered in such proceedings are declared valid: PROVIDED, That upon proper cause being shown at any time before final decree, the court may convert such action to an action for dissolution of marriage as provided for in section 2 of this act.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. Any divorce action which was filed prior to July 15, 1973 and for which a final decree has not been entered on the effective date of this act, may, upon order of the superior court having jurisdiction over such proceeding for good cause shown, be converted to a dissolution proceeding and thereafter be continued under the provisions of this chapter.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. The provisions of sections 1 and 2 of this act are remedial and procedural and shall be construed to have been in effect as of July 16, 1973.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Sections 1 through 3 of this act shall be added to chapter 157, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and to chapter 26.09 RCW.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. 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.

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## CHAPTER 16 [House Bill No. 1302] INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS

AN ACT Relating to industrial development corporations; amending section 2, chapter 162, Laws of 1963 and RCW 31.24.020; amending section 5, chapter 162, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 1, chapter 90, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 31.24.050; amending section 9, chapter 162, Laws of 1963 and RCW 31.24.090; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 162, Laws of 1963 and RCW 31.24.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Fifteen or more persons, a majority of whom shall be residents of this state, who may desire to create an industrial development corporation under the provisions of this chapter, for the purpose of promoting, developing and advancing the prosperity and economic welfare of the state and, to that end, to exercise the powers and privileges hereinafter provided, may be incorporated by filing in the office of the secretary of state, as hereinafter provided, articles of incorporation. The articles of incorporation shall contain:

- The name of the corporation, which shall include the words "((Industrial)) Development Corporation of Washington."
- The location of the principal office of the corporation, but such corporation may have offices in such other places within the state as may be fixed by the board of directors.
- The purposes for which the corporation is founded, which be to promote, stimulate, develop and advance the business prosperity and economic welfare of Washington and its citizens; encourage and assist through loans, investments or other business transactions in the location of new business and industry in this state and to rehabilitate and assist existing business and industry; to stimulate and assist in the expansion of all kinds of business activity which will tend to promote the business development and maintain the economic stability of this state, provide maximum opportunities for employment, encourage thrift, and improve the standard of living of citizens of this state; similarly, to cooperate and act in conjunction with other organizations, public or private, in the promotion and advancement of industrial, commercial, agricultural and recreational developments in this state; and to provide financing for the promotion, development, and conduct of all kinds of business activity in this state.
- The names and post office addresses of the members of the first board of directors, who, unless otherwise provided by the articles in [of] incorporation or the bylaws, shall hold office for the first year of existence of the corporation or until their successors are elected and have qualified.
- provision which the incorporators may choose to insert for the regulation of the business and for the conduct of the affairs of the corporation and any provision creating, dividing, limiting and regulating the powers of the corporation, the directors, stockholders or any class of the stockholders, including, but not limited to a list of the officers, and provisions governing the issuance of stock certificates to replace lost or destroyed certificates.
- The amount of authorized capital stock and the number of shares into which it is divided, the par value of each share and the amount of capital with which it will commence business and, if there is more than one class of stock, a description of the different classes; the names and post office addresses of the subscribers of

stock and the number of shares subscribed by each. The aggregate of the subscription shall be the minimum amount of capital with which the corporation shall commence business which shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars. The articles of incorporation may also contain any provision consistent with the laws of this state for the regulation of the affairs of the corporation.

- (7) The articles of incorporation shall be in writing, subscribed by not less than five natural persons competent to contract and acknowledged by each of the subscribers before an officer authorized to take acknowledgments and filed in the office of the secretary of state for approval. A duplicate copy so subscribed and acknowledged may also be filed.
- (8) The articles of incorporation shall recite that the corporation is organized under the provisions of this chapter.

The secretary of state shall not approve incorporation for a corporation organized under this chapter until a total of at least ten national banks, state banks, savings banks, industrial savings banks, federal savings and loan associations, domestic building and loan associations, or insurance companies authorized to do business within this state, or any combination thereof, have agreed in writing to become members of corporation; and said written agreement shall be filed with the secretary of state with the articles of incorporation and the filing of same shall be a condition precedent to the approval of the articles of incorporation by the secretary of state. Whenever the articles of incorporation shall have been filed in the office of the secretary of state and approved by him and all taxes, fees and charges, have been paid, as required by law, the subscribers, their successors and assigns shall constitute a corporation, and said corporation shall then be authorized to commence business, and stock thereof to the extent herein or hereafter duly authorized may from time to time be issued.

Sec. 2. Section 5, chapter 162, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 1, chapter 90, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 31.24.050 are each amended to read as follows:

Any financial institution may request membership in the corporation by making application to the board of directors on such form and in such manner as said board of directors may require, and membership shall become effective upon acceptance of such application by said board.

Each member of the corporation shall make loans to the corporation as and when called upon by it to do so on such terms and other conditions as shall be approved from time to time by the board of directors, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) All loan limits shall be established at the thousand dollar amount nearest to the amount computed in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- (2) No loan to the corporation shall be made if immediately thereafter the total amount of the obligations of the corporation would exceed ((ten)) <u>fifteen</u> times the amount then paid in on the outstanding capital stock of the corporation.
- (3) The total amount outstanding on loans to the corporation made by any member at any time, when added to the amount of the investment in the capital stock of the corporation then held by such member, shall not exceed:
- (a) Thirty percent of the total amount then outstanding on loans to the corporation by all members, including in said total amount outstanding, amounts validly called for loan but not yet loaned.
- The following limit, to be determined as of the time such (b) member becomes a member on the basis of the audited balance sheet of such member at the close of its fiscal year immediately preceding its application for membership, or thereafter on the basis of the preceding fiscal year, or in the case of an insurance company, its last annual statement to the state insurance commissioner: or thereafter on the basis of its last annual statement to the insurance commissioner, two and one-half percent of the capital and surplus of commercial banks and trust companies; one-half of one percent of the total outstanding loans made by savings and loan associations, and building and loan associations; two and one-half percent of the capital and unassigned surplus of stock insurance companies, except fire insurance companies; two and one-half percent of the unassigned surplus of mutual insurance companies, except fire insurance companies; one-tenth of one percent of the assets of fire insurance companies; and such limits as may be approved by the board of directors of the corporation for other financial institutions.
- (4) Subject to subsection (3) (a) of this section, each call made by the corporation shall be prorated among the members of the corporation in substantially the same proportion that the adjusted loan limit of each member bears to the aggregate of the adjusted loan limits of all members. The adjusted loan limit of a member shall be the amount of such member's loan limit, reduced by the balance of outstanding loans made by such member to the corporation and the investment in capital stock of the corporation held by such member at the time of such call.
- (5) All loans to the corporation by members shall be evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness of the corporation, which shall be freely transferable

at all times, and which shall bear interest at a rate of not less than one-quarter of one percent in excess of the rate of interest determined by the board of directors to be the prime rate prevailing at the date of issuance thereof on unsecured commercial loans.

Sec. 3. Section 9, chapter 162, Laws of 1963 and RCW 31.24.090 are each amended to read as follows:

The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed and conducted by a board of directors, a president, a vice president, a secretary, a treasurer, and such other officers and such agents as the corporation by its bylaws shall authorize. The board of directors shall consist of such number, not less than eleven nor more than twenty-one, as shall be determined in the first instance by the incorporators and thereafter annually by the members and stockholders of the corporation. The board of directors may exercise all the powers of the corporation except such as are conferred by law or by the bylaws of the corporation upon the stockholders or members and shall choose and appoint all the agents and officers of the corporation and fill all vacancies except vacancies in the office of director which shall be filled as hereinafter provided. The board of directors shall be elected in the first instance by the incorporators and thereafter at the annual meeting, ((which annual meeting shall be held during the month of January,)) the day and month of which shall be established by the bylaws of the corporations, or, if no annual meeting shall be held in the year of incorporation, then within ninety days after the approval of the articles of incorporation at a special meeting as hereinafter provided. At each annual meeting, or at each special meeting held as provided in this section, the members of the corporation shall elect two-thirds of the board of directors and the stockholders shall elect the remaining directors. directors shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the corporation or special meeting held in lieu of the annual meeting after the election and until their successors are elected and qualified unless sooner removed in accordance with the provisions of Any vacancy in the office of a director elected by the members shall be filled by the directors elected by the members, and any vacancy in the office of a director elected by the stockholders shall be filled by the directors elected by the stockholders.

Directors and officers shall not be responsible for losses unless the same shall have been occasioned by the wilful misconduct of such directors and officers.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. This 1974 amendatory 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.

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## CHAPTER 17 [House Bill No. 1273] FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS—VACANCIES

AN ACT Relating to fire commissioners; and amending section 26, chapter 34, Laws of 1939 as amended by section 1, chapter 153, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 52.12.050.

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

Section 1. Section 26, chapter 34, Laws of 1939 as amended by section 1, chapter 153, Laws of 1971 ex. sess and RCW 52.12.050 are each amended to read as follows:

In case of vacancy occurring in the office of fire commissioner, such vacancy shall, within thirty days, be filled by appointment of a resident elector of the district by the county legislative authority ((board of county commissioners)) and the person appointed shall serve until his successor has been elected or appointed and has qualified. At the next general election, if there is sufficient time for the nomination of candidates for office of fire commissioner as herein provided, after the filling of any vacancy in such office as aforesaid, there shall be elected a fire commissioner to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. If a fire commissioner is absent from the district for three consecutive regularly scheduled meetings unless by permission of the board his office shall be declared vacant by the board of county commissioners and such vacancy shall be filled as provided for in this section but provided that no such action shall be taken unless he is notified by mail after two consecutive unexcused absences that his position will be declared vacant if he is absent without being excused from the next regularly scheduled meeting.

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