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furnished or value of property supplied by it for the planning, acquisition and construction of any common facility, or any additions or betterments thereto. The agreement shall provide a uniform method of determining and allocating operation and maintenance expenses of the common facility.

Each city, public utility district, joint operating agency and regulated utility participating in the ownership or operation of a common facility shall pay all taxes chargeable to its share of the common facility and the electric energy generated thereby under applicable statutes as now or hereafter in effect, and may make payments during preliminary work and construction for any increased financial burder suffered by any county or other existing taxing district in the county in which the common facility is located, pursuant to agreement with such county or taxing district.

Passed the Senate Pebruary 5, 1974. Passed the House Pebruary 7, 1974. Approved by the Governor February 14, 1974. Filed in Office of Secretary of State Pebruary 14, 1974.

AN ACT Relating to absentee voting; amending section 29.36.030, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.36.030; amending section 29.36.070, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.36.070; and amending section 29.36.095, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 39, chapter 202, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 29.36.095.

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

Section 1. Section 29.36.030, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.36.030 are each amended to read as follows:

Upon receipt of the certificate, either signed by the voter or attached to the voter's signed application, the officer having jurisdiction of the election, or his duly authorized representative, shall issue an absentee ballot for the election concerned.

At each general election in the even-numbered year, each absentee voter shall also be given a separate ballot containing the names of the candidates that have filed for the office of precinct committeeman provided that two or more candidates have filed for the same political party in the absentee voter's precinct and providing space for writing in the name of additional candidates.

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In addition, if other elections, including special or general, are also being held on the same day and it can be determined that the absentee voter is qualified to vote at such elections, such additional absentee ballots shall be automatically issued to the end that, whenever possible, each absentee voter receives the ballots for all elections he would have received if he had been able to vote in person.

The election officer, or his duly authorized representative, shall include the following additional items when issuing an absentee ballot:

(1) Instructions for voting.

(2) A size #9 envelope, capable of being sealed and free of any identification marks, for the purpose of containing the voted absentee ballot.

(3) A size #10 envelope, capable of being sealed and preaddressed to the issuing officer, for the purpose of returning the #9 envelope containing the marked absentee ballot.

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} ss.

County of

(signed)

Voter

PENALTY PROVISION: Any person who violates any of the provisions, relating to swearing and voting, shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than five years or a fine of not more than five thousand dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 2. Section 29.36.070, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.36.070 are each amended to read as follows:

Upon the canvass of the votes, if there are on file one or more absentee ballot inner envelopes, the canvassing authority shall cause such envelopes to be opened and the ((ballets to)) absentee precinct committeeman ballot, if any, shall be physically separated from the remainder of the absentee ballot. The absentee precinct committeeman ballot shall be, subject to the provisions of RCM Ch. 73 WASHINGTON LAWS, 1974 1st Ex.Sess. (43rd Legis.3rd Ex.S.)

29.36.075 and 29.36.077, counted separately. The remainder of the absentee ballot shall be grouped and counted without regard as to precinct by legislative districts if the election is a state primary or state election, special or general.

These ballots shall be made a part of the returns and handled accordingly.

Sec. 3. Section 29.36.095, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 39, chapter 202, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 29.36.095 are each amended to read as follows:

After the completion of the canvass of the election returns of any primary or election, the canvassing authority shall cause the names of the persons casting absentee ballots to be listed alphabetically and by precincts. Such lists of absentee voters shall be used to enter on the respective voters registration record in the space provided for that purpose, the month, day and year of the primary or election (for example 11/2/54) or otherwise credit the voter with having participated in that election((: PROVIDED, That no precinct office shall appear upon the absentee ballot)).

> Passed the Senate January 24, 1974. Passed the House February 7, 1974. Approved by the Governor February 15, 1974. Filed in Office of Secretary of State February 15, 1974.

CHAPTER 74 [Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 2408] MUNICIPAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS---REMEDIES--PENALTIES---PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXCLUSION

AN ACT Relating to municipal competitive bidding requirements; providing remedies; amending section 35.23.352, chapter 7, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 1, chapter 114, Laws of 1965 and RCW 35.23.352; adding a new section to chapter 39.30 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 39.30 RCW a new section to read as follows:

In addition to any other remedies or penalties contained in any law, municipal charter, ordinance, resolution or other enactment, any municipal officer by or through whom or under whose supervision, in whole or in part, any contract is made in wilfull and intentional violation of any law, municipal charter, ordinance, resolution or other enactment requiring competitive bidding upon such contract shall be held liable to a civil penalty of not less than three