CHAPTER 297
[Substitute House Bill No. 138]

COMMISSION ON ASIAN-AMERICAN AFFAIRS—EXPIRATION—APPROPRIATION

AN ACT Relating to the Washington state commission on Asian-American affairs; amending section 14, chapter 140, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 43.117.910; making an appropriation; prescribing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 14, chapter 140, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 43.117-910 are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter shall expire automatically on June 30, 1983, unless extended by law for an additional fixed period of the time.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is appropriated to the Washington state commission on Asian-American affairs from the general fund for the biennium ending June 30, 1979, the sum of one hundred five thousand three hundred and forty dollars, or so much thereof as shall be necessary.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This 1977 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 July 1, 1977.

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Passed the Senate June 9, 1977.
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CHAPTER 298
[Substitute House Bill No. 217]

AUTO TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES—LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE—SURETY BOND

AN ACT Relating to auto transportation companies; and amending section 81.68.060, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 and RCW 81.68.060.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 81.68.060, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 and RCW 81.68.060 are each amended to read as follows:

The commission shall in the granting of certificates to operate any auto transportation company, for transporting persons, and baggage, mail and express on the vehicles of auto transportation companies carrying passengers, for compensation require the owner or operator to first procure liability and property damage insurance from a company licensed to make liability insurance in the state of Washington or a surety bond of a company licensed to write surety bonds in the state of Washington on each motor propelled vehicle used or to be used in transporting persons for compensation, in the amount of not less than one hundred thousand dollars for any recovery for personal injury by one person
and not less than ((ten)) three hundred thousand dollars for any vehicle having a capacity of sixteen passengers or less and not less than five hundred thousand dollars (and in such additional amount as the commission shall determine,) for any vehicle having a capacity of seventeen passengers or more for all persons receiving personal injury by reason of at least one act of negligence and not ((to exceed one)) less than fifty thousand dollars for damage to property of any person other than the assured((and maintain)). The commission shall fix the amount of the insurance policy or policies or security deposit giving due consideration to the character and amount of traffic, the number of persons affected, and the degree of danger which the proposed operation involves. Such liability and property damage insurance or surety bond shall be maintained in force on each motor propelled vehicle while so used, each policy for liability or property damage insurance or surety bond required herein, shall be filed with the commission and kept in full force and effect and failure so to do shall be cause for the revocation of the certificate.

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CHAPTER 299
[Substitute House Bill No. 292]
WATER DISTRICTS

AN ACT Relating to water districts; amending section 3, chapter 108, Laws of 1959 and RCW 57.08-.090; amending section 1, chapter 50, Laws of 1953 and RCW 57.08.015; amending section 6, chapter 18, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 6, chapter 108, Laws of 1959 and RCW 57.16-.010; amending section 8, chapter 18, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 8, chapter 108, Laws of 1959 and RCW 57.16.030; amending section 10, chapter 108, Laws of 1959 and RCW 57.16.035; amending section 9, chapter 18, Laws of 1959 as last amended by section 70, chapter 195, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 57.16.040; amending section 11, chapter 18, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 1, chapter 39, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 57.16.060; amending section 17, chapter 251, Laws of 1953 as amended by section 13, chapter 108, Laws of 1959 and RCW 57.20.025; and adding a new section to chapter 57.08 RCW.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 108, Laws of 1959 and RCW 57.08.090 are each amended to read as follows:

The district may, at any time after the connection charges or rates and charges for water supplied and penalties are delinquent for a period of sixty days, bring suit in foreclosure by civil action in the superior court of the county in which the district is situated. The court may allow, in addition to the costs and disbursements provided by statute, such an attorney's fee as it adjudges reasonable. The action shall be in rem, and may be brought in the name of the district against an individual, or against all of those who are delinquent in one action, and the laws and rules of the court shall control as in other civil actions.

In addition to the right to foreclose provided in this section, the district may also cut off all or part of the service after charges for water supplied are delinquent for a period of sixty days.