The square dance is designated as the official dance of the state of Washington.

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## CHAPTER 11

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2053]

JOINT PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICTS—MULTI-COUNTY FORMATION

AN ACT Relating to park and recreation districts; adding new sections to chapter 36.69 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. A park and recreation district may be formed encompassing portions of two or more counties. Such a district shall be known as a joint park and recreation district and shall have all powers and duties of a park and recreation district. The procedures established in this chapter for the formation of a park and recreation district shall be followed in the formation of a joint park and recreation district except as otherwise provided by sections 2, 3, and 4 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The formation of a joint park and recreation district shall be initiated by a petition as prescribed in RCW 36.69.020. The petition shall be filed with the county auditor of one of the counties within which a portion of the proposed joint district is located. A copy of the petition shall be filed with the county auditor of the other county or counties within which a portion of the proposed joint district is located. The county auditors shall jointly certify the sufficiency or insufficiency of the petition to the legislative authorities of the counties.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) If the petition filed under section 2 of this act is found to contain a sufficient number of signatures, the legislative authority of each county shall set a time for a hearing on the petition for the formation of a park and recreation district as prescribed in RCW 36.69.040.

- (2) At the public hearing the legislative authority for each authority for each county shall fix the boundaries for that portion of the proposed park and recreation district that lies within the county as provided in RCW 36-.69.050. Each county shall notify the other county or counties of the determination of the boundaries within ten days.
- (3) If the territories created by the county legislative authorities are not contiguous, a joint park and recreation district shall not be formed. If the territories are contiguous, the county containing the portion of the proposed joint district having the larger population shall determine the name of the proposed joint district.

- (4) If the proposed district encompasses portions of two counties, the county containing the portion of the district having the larger population shall divide the territory into three subdivisions and shall name three resident electors as prescribed by RCW 36.69.060. The county containing the territory having the smaller population shall divide that territory into two subdivisions and name two resident electors.
- (5) If the proposed district encompasses portions of more than two counties, the district shall be divided into five subdivisions and resident electors shall be named as follows:

The number of subdivisions and resident electors to be established by each county shall reflect the proportion of population within each county portion of the proposed district in relation to the total population of the proposed district, provided that each county shall designate one subdivision and one resident elector.

(6) The proposition for the formation of the proposed joint park and recreation district shall be submitted to the voters of the district at the next general election, which election shall be conducted as required by RCW 36.69.070 and 36.69.080.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. For all purposes essential to the maintenance, operation, and administration of a joint park and recreation district, including the apportionment of any funds, the county in which a joint park and recreation district shall be considered as belonging shall be the county containing the largest population of the joint district. Whenever the laws relating to park and recreation districts provide for an action by a county officer, the action, if required to be performed on behalf of a joint park and recreation district, shall be performed by the proper officer of the county to which the joint district belongs, except as otherwise provided by law. This delegation of authority extends but is not limited to:

- (1) The declaration by the county legislative authority of the election results, as required by RCW 36.69.080;
- (2) The filing of declarations of candidacy with the county auditor under RCW 36.69.090:
- (3) The issuance of warrants by the county treasurer under RCW 36.69.150:
- (4) The duties of the county treasurer and auditor in the establishment and operation of a local improvement district under RCW 36.69.200, 36.69.220, 36.69.240, and 36.69.300. If the local improvement district is located wholly within any one of the participating counties, then the officers of that county shall perform the duties relating to that local improvement district; and
- (5) Receipt by the county treasurer of payments of revenue bonds under RCW 36.69.370.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Population determinations for the purposes of sections 3 and 4 of this act shall be made by the office of financial management.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Sections 1 through 5 of this act are added to chapter 36.69 RCW.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 7. If any provision of this 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.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 8. 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 12**

[Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 2194]
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION—PUBLIC WORKS—PUBLIC BID
REQUIREMENT

AN ACT Relating to institutions of higher education; amending section 1, chapter 258, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. as amended by section 14, chapter 169, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.10.350; and amending section 28B.50.330, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.50.330.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 258, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. as amended by section 14, chapter 169, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.10.350 are each amended to read as follows:

When the cost to The Evergreen State College, any regional university, or state university of any building, construction, renovation, remodeling, or demolition other than ordinary maintenance or equipment repairs will equal or exceed the sum of ((ten)) seventeen thousand five hundred dollars, complete plans and specifications for such work shall be prepared and such work shall be put out for public bids and the contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder if in accordance with the bid specifications: PRO-VIDED, That when the estimated cost of such building, construction, renovation, remodeling, or demolition equals or exceeds the sum of ((ten)) seventeen thousand five hundred dollars, such project shall be deemed a public works and "the prevailing rate of wage(("-,))," under chapter 39.12 RCW shall be applicable thereto: PROVIDED FURTHER, That when