

(4) The ~~((alternately flashing red))~~ lights described in ~~((subsections (2) and (3) of))~~ this section shall not be mounted nor used on any vehicle other than a school bus, a private carrier bus, or an authorized emergency or law enforcement vehicle. ~~((The blue lights described in subsection (3) of this section may only be used on publicly owned police vehicles of a police department, sheriff's office and the Washington state patrol:))~~

(5) The use of the signal equipment described herein shall impose upon drivers of other vehicles the obligation to yield right of way and stop as prescribed in RCW 46.61.210, 46.61.370, and 46.61.350.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. 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 102

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 4852]

IRRIGATION DISTRICTS—DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS—INTEREST COMPUTATION—PAYMENT TO DISTRICT SECRETARY—DELINQUENCY LIST

AN ACT Relating to irrigation districts; amending section 24, page 684, Laws of 1889-90 as last amended by section 1, chapter 209, Laws of 1981 and RCW 87.03.270; amending section 3, chapter 169, Laws of 1967 and RCW 87.03.272; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 24, page 684, Laws of 1889-90 as last amended by section 1, chapter 209, Laws of 1981 and RCW 87.03.270 are each amended to read as follows:

The assessment roll, before its equalization and adoption, shall be checked and compared as to descriptions and ownerships, with the county treasurer's land rolls. On or before the fifteenth day of January in each year the secretary must deliver the assessment roll or the respective segregation thereof to the county treasurer of each respective county in which the lands therein described are located, and said assessments shall become due and payable on the fifteenth day of February following.

~~((One-half of))~~ All assessments on said roll shall become delinquent on the first day of May following the filing of the roll unless ~~((said one-half is))~~ the assessments are paid on or before the thirtieth day of April of said year~~((, and the remaining one-half shall become delinquent on the first day of November following, unless said one-half is paid on or before the thirty-~~

first day of October)): PROVIDED, That if ((the)) an assessment is ((less than)) ten dollars or more for said year(~~(, then the full amount shall become delinquent on the first day of May))~~ and if one-half of the assessment is paid on or before the thirtieth day of April, the remainder shall be due and payable on or before the thirty-first day of October following and shall be delinquent after that date. All delinquent assessments shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent per annum computed on a monthly basis from the date of delinquency until paid.

Upon receiving the assessment roll the county treasurer shall prepare therefrom an assessment book in which shall be written the description of the land as it appears in the assessment roll, the name of the owner or owners where known, and if assessed to the unknown owners, then the word "unknown", and the total assessment levied against each tract of land. Proper space shall be left in said book for the entry therein of all subsequent proceedings relating to the payment and collection of said assessments.

On or before April 1st of each year, the treasurer of the district shall send a statement of assessments due. County treasurers who collect irrigation district assessments may send the statement of irrigation district assessments together with the statement of general taxes.

Upon payment of any assessment the county treasurer must enter the date of said payment in said assessment book opposite the description of the land and the name of the person paying and give a receipt to such person specifying the amount of the assessment and the amount paid with the description of the property assessed.

It shall be the duty of the treasurer of the district to furnish upon request of the owner, or any person interested, a statement showing any and all assessments levied as shown by the assessment roll in his office upon land described in such request. All statements of irrigation district assessments covering any land in the district shall show the amount of the irrigation district assessment, the dates on which the assessment is due, the place of payment, and, if the property was sold for delinquent assessments in a prior year, the amount of the delinquent assessment and the notation "certificate issued": PROVIDED, That the failure of the treasurer to render any statement herein required of him shall not render invalid any assessments made by any irrigation district.

It shall be the duty of the county treasurer of any county, other than the county in which the office of the board of directors is located, to make monthly remittances to the county treasurer of the county in which the office of the board of directors is located covering all amounts collected by him for the irrigation district during the preceding month.

When the treasurer collects a delinquent assessment, in addition to any other amounts due by reason of the delinquency, he shall collect an additional sum of ten dollars, which shall be deposited to the treasurer's operation and maintenance fund.

Sec. 2. Section 3, chapter 169, Laws of 1967 and RCW 87.03.272 are each amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 87.03.260, 87.03.270, 87.03.440 and 87.03.445 the board of directors of any district acting as fiscal agent for the United States or the state of Washington for the collection of any irrigation charges may authorize the secretary of the district to act as the exclusive collection agent for the collection of all nondelinquent irrigation assessments of the district pursuant to such rules and regulations as the board of directors may adopt.

When the secretary acts as collection agent, his official bond shall be of a sufficient amount as determined by the board of directors of the district to cover any amounts he may be handling while acting as collection agent, in addition to any other amount required by reason of his other duties.

The assessment roll of such district shall be delivered to the county treasurer in accordance with the provisions of RCW 87.03.260 and 87.03.270 and the assessment roll shall be checked and verified by the county treasurer as provided in RCW 87.03.270.

After the assessment roll has been checked and verified by the county treasurer, the secretary of the district shall proceed to publish the notice as required under RCW 87.03.270; except that the notice shall provide that until the assessments and tolls become delinquent on (~~December~~) November 1st they shall be due and payable in the office of the secretary of the district.

When the secretary of such district receives payments, he shall issue a receipt for such payments and shall be accountable on his official bond for the safekeeping of such funds and shall remit the same, along with an itemized statement of receipts, at least once each month to the county treasurer wherein the land is located on which the payment was made.

When the county treasurer receives the monthly statement of receipts from the secretary, he shall enter the payments shown thereon on the assessment roll maintained in his office.

On the (~~first~~) fifteenth day of (~~December~~) November of each year it shall be the duty of the secretary to transmit to the county treasurer the delinquency list which shall include the names, amounts and such other information as the county treasurer shall require, and thereafter the secretary shall not accept any payment on the delinquent portion of any account. Upon receipt of the list of delinquencies, the county treasurer shall proceed under the provisions of this chapter as though he were the collection agent for such district to the extent of such delinquent accounts.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. 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 April 15, 1982.

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CHAPTER 103

[Senate Bill No. 4952]

METROPOLITAN MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS—OPERATION OF ELECTRIC STREETCARS

AN ACT Relating to the authority of a metropolitan municipal corporation to charter an electric streetcar on rails operating within a city; and amending section 12, chapter 277, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. as amended by section 28, chapter 151, Laws of 1979 and RCW 35.58.020.

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

Section 1. Section 12, chapter 277, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. as amended by section 28, chapter 151, Laws of 1979 and RCW 35.58.020 are each amended to read as follows:

~~((As used herein:))~~ The definitions set forth in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Metropolitan municipal corporation" means a municipal corporation of the state of Washington created pursuant to this chapter, or a county which has by ordinance or resolution assumed the rights, powers, functions, and obligations of a metropolitan municipal corporation pursuant to the provisions of chapter 36.56 RCW.

(2) "Metropolitan area" means the area contained within the boundaries of a metropolitan municipal corporation, or within the boundaries of an area proposed to be organized as such a corporation.

(3) "City" means an incorporated city or town.

(4) "Component city" means an incorporated city or town within a metropolitan area.

(5) "Component county" means a county, all or part of which is included within a metropolitan area.

(6) "Central city" means the city with the largest population in a metropolitan area.

(7) "Central county" means the county containing the city with the largest population in a metropolitan area.

(8) "Special district" means any municipal corporation of the state of Washington other than a city, county, or metropolitan municipal corporation.