NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. Sections 1 through 7 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 4 RCW.

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CHAPTER 153
[Substitute Senate Bill No. 3066]
AQUATIC LANDS—LEASES—RENT DISTRIBUTION

AN ACT Relating to public lands; amending section 79, chapter 21, Laws of 1982 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 2, chapter 8, Laws of 1982 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 79.92.110; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 79, chapter 21, Laws of 1982 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 2, chapter 8, Laws of 1982 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 79.92.110 are each amended to read as follows:

The rents paid under leases of harbor areas and tidelands belonging to the state of Washington, where not otherwise directed to a particular account, shall be disposed of as follows:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, where the leased harbor area or tideland is situated within the territorial limits of a port district, twenty-five percent of the rentals received from such leases shall be paid by the state treasurer to the county treasurer of the county wherein such port district is situated for the use of such port district and said rental shall go into a special fund to be expended only for harbor or waterfront improvement purposes. The remaining seventy-five percent shall be deposited in the capitol purchase and development account of the general fund of the state treasury: PROVIDED, That in cases where the port district itself shall have before April 28, 1967, constructed or owned structures or improvements situate upon the leased harbor area, or tidelands, the entire rentals from such improved harbor area or tideland shall go to the port district: PROVIDED FURTHER, That whenever the port district shall after April 28, 1967, construct improvements on such leased harbor area or tidelands, the rental attributable to such improvements shall go to the port district.

(2) In all other cases twenty-five percent of the rents shall be paid by the state treasurer into the county treasury of the county in which the leased harbor area or tidelands are situated, the same to go into a special fund known as the "harbor improvement fund", and to be disbursed only for harbor or harbor improvement purposes; and the remaining seventy-five percent shall be deposited in the capitol purchase and development account of the general fund of the state treasury: PROVIDED, That where any
leased harbor area or tideland is situated within the limits of any incorporated city ((or town)) and is not embraced within the area of any port district, the legislative body of the county shall allocate the funds received from the lease thereof to the municipal authorities of such city ((or town)), to be expended by said authorities for harbor or waterfront purposes; PROVIDED FURTHER, That where any leased harbor area or tideland is situated within the limits of a town, whether or not the harbor area or tideland lies within a port district, the rents from such leases shall be paid by the state treasurer to the municipal authorities of the town to be expended for water-related improvements.

(3) The state treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make such payments to the respective county treasurers and municipal authorities for the use of such port districts ((or)), counties, or towns, as the case may be, on the first days of July and January of each year, of all moneys in his hands on such dates payable under the terms of this section to such port district ((and)), counties, or towns respectively.

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 July 1, 1983.

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CHAPTER 154

[Senate Bill No. 3655]

PODIATRY—HEALTH CARE REIMBURSEMENT PARITY

AN ACT Relating to podiatric services; amending section 1, chapter 268, Laws of 1947 as last amended by section 10, chapter 102, Laws of 1980 and RCW 48.44.010; amending section 4, chapter 115, Laws of 1969 as amended by section 1, chapter 127, Laws of 1979 and RCW 48.44.220; and adding new sections to chapter 48.44 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. There is added to chapter 48.44 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The legislature finds and declares that there is a paramount concern that the right of the people to obtain access to health care in all its facets is being impaired by prepaid agreements which provide benefits, reimbursement, or indemnity by health care service contractors, whether for profit or for nonprofit, which do not provide parity of reimbursement among licensed health care providers performing the same health care services. It is further the intent of the legislature not to mandate the providing of any health care benefit, but rather to require parity of reimbursement for the same health care benefit.