(SJR No. 105) is validly submitted and is approved and ratified by the voters at a general election held in November, 1983. If the proposed amendment is not so approved and ratified, this act shall be null and void in its entirety.

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CHAPTER 260

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 3595]
VETERANS AFFAIRS—CONTRACTS WITH VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS
FOR SERVICES—APPROPRIATION

AN ACT Relating to veterans; amending section 43.61.030, chapter 8, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 21, chapter 115, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 43.61.030; making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 43.61.030, chapter 8, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 21, chapter 115, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 43.61-.030 are each amended to read as follows:

The director of veterans affairs is empowered to ((approve expenditures by)) contract with any veterans' organizations, now or hereafter chartered by act of congress ((and to reimburse such organizations therefor)) to provide veterans services. All sums paid to veterans' organizations under contract shall be used by the organizations as specified in the contract in the maintenance of a rehabilitation service and to assist veterans in the prosecution of their claims and the solution of their problems arising out of military service. Such service and assistance shall be rendered all veterans and their dependents and also all beneficiaries of any military claim, and shall include but not be limited to those services now rendered by the service departments of the respective member organizations.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is appropriated to the department of veterans affairs from the general fund, for the biennium ending June 30, 1985, the sum of forty-nine thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of helping to fund contracts with veterans' organizations which have not previously provided veterans services under reimbursement agreements with the department.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> 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 immediately.

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CHAPTER 261

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 3614]
EXCHANGE OF STATE LANDS—APPROVAL BY BOARD OF NATURAL
RESOURCES NECESSARY

AN ACT Relating to public lands; and amending section 1, chapter 290, Laws of 1957 as last amended by section 2, chapter 50, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 79.08.180.

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

- Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 290, Laws of 1957 as last amended by section 2, chapter 50, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 79.08.180 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) For the purpose of facilitating the marketing of forest products of state lands, or consolidating and blocking up of state lands, or the acquisition of lands having commercial recreational leasing potential, the commissioner of public lands ((may, with the advice and approval of such state board, commission, committee, or agency exercising control over the disposal of the land involved)), with the approval of the board of natural resources, may exchange any state lands with any timber thereon for any other land of equal value((, including other state lands, lands of the United States, county or municipal lands of any character, and privately owned lands)).
- (2) The commissioner of public lands, with the approval of the board of natural resources, may exchange state lands for lands of equal value owned by a county.
- (3) Land exchanged under this section shall not be used to reduce the publicly owned forest land base.

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