

(5) The commissioner shall adopt rules to establish specific standards for conversion agreement provisions. These rules may include but are not limited to:

- (a) Terms of renewability;
- (b) Nonduplication of coverage;
- (c) Benefit limitations, exceptions, and reductions; and
- (d) Definitions of terms.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:

- (1) Section 2, chapter 10, Laws of 1980 and RCW 48.21.210;
- (2) Section 3, chapter 10, Laws of 1980 and RCW 48.44.280; and
- (3) Section 4, chapter 10, Laws of 1980 and RCW 48.46.065.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. Sections 2, 5, and 8 of this act shall apply to any policy, contract, or agreement issued, renewed, or amended on or after January 1, 1985.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. 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.

Passed the House March 1, 1984.

Passed the Senate February 22, 1984.

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CHAPTER 191

[House Bill No. 1649]

APPEARANCE OF FAIRNESS DOCTRINE

AN ACT Relating to the appearance of fairness doctrine; and amending section 6, chapter 229, Laws of 1982 and RCW 42.36.060.

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

Sec. 1. Section 6, chapter 229, Laws of 1982 and RCW 42.36.060 are each amended to read as follows:

During the pendency of any quasi-judicial proceeding, no member of a decision-making body may engage in ex parte communications with opponents or proponents with respect to the proposal which is the subject of the proceeding unless that person:

(1) Places on the record the substance of any written or oral ex parte communications concerning the decision of action; and

(2) Provides that a public announcement of the content of the communication and of the parties' rights to rebut the substance of the communication shall be made at each hearing where action is considered or taken on the subject to which the communication related. This prohibition does not

preclude a member of a decision-making body from seeking in a public hearing specific information or data from such parties relative to the decision if both the request and the results are a part of the record. Nor does such prohibition preclude correspondence between a citizen and his or her elected official if any such correspondence is made a part of the record when it pertains to the subject matter of a quasi-judicial proceeding.

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CHAPTER 192

[Substitute House Bill No. 1275]

FLOATING HOMES

AN ACT Relating to real estate excise taxation; amending section 1, chapter 266, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 82.45.032; amending section 28A.45.090, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 4, chapter 154, Laws of 1980 and RCW 82.45.090; adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.12 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 266, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 82-45.032 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Real estate" or "real property" means real property but includes used mobile homes and used floating homes.

(2) "Used mobile home" means a mobile home which has been previously sold at retail and the immediately preceding sale has already been subjected to tax under chapter 82.08 RCW, or which has been previously used and the immediately preceding use has already been subjected to tax under chapter 82.12 RCW, and which has substantially lost its identity as a mobile unit by virtue of its being fixed in location upon land owned or leased by the owner of the mobile home and placed on a foundation (posts or blocks) with fixed pipe connections with sewer, water, and other utilities.

(3) "Mobile home" means a mobile home as defined by RCW 46.04-.302, as now or hereafter amended.

(4) "Used floating home" means a floating home in respect to which tax has been paid under chapter 82.08 or 82.12 RCW.

(5) "Floating home" means a building on a float used in whole or in part for human habitation as a single-family dwelling, which is not designed for self propulsion by mechanical means or for propulsion by means of wind, and which is on the property tax rolls of the county in which it is located.