

(23) Section 11, chapter 183, Laws of 1949, section 27 of this act and RCW 49.60.320.

Passed the House April 12, 1985.

Passed the Senate April 9, 1985.

Approved by the Governor April 25, 1985, with the exception of certain items which are vetoed.

Filed in Office of Secretary of State April 25, 1985.

Note: Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith without my approval a portion of Section 4, Substitute House Bill No. 52, entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to revising provisions relating to the human rights commission."

This bill makes various technical and procedural changes to the operation of the Human Rights Commission.

However, a portion of Section 4 requires the governor in making appointments to guarantee that the membership of the commission is representative of the various geographical areas of the state. This language is not typical of clauses for other Boards and Commissions and is vague. Language which expressly states the number of representatives from each side of mountains is typical and preferable where the legislature desires to mandate a geographic mix.

I am committed to work for geographical representation on Boards and Commissions and overall feel I have done so.

With the exception of a portion of Section 4, Substitute House Bill No. 52 is approved."

CHAPTER 186

[Senate Bill No. 3393]

CRIMINAL ACTIONS—STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS MODIFIED

AN ACT Relating to limitation of actions; and amending RCW 9A.04.080.

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

Sec. 1. Section 9A.04.080, chapter 260, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 18, chapter 270, Laws of 1984 and RCW 9A.04.080 are each amended to read as follows:

Prosecutions for the offenses of murder, and arson where death ensues, may be commenced at any period after the commission of the offense; for offenses the punishment of which may be imprisonment in a state correctional institution, committed by any public officer in connection with the duties of his office or constituting a breach of his public duty or a violation of his oath of office, and arson where death does not ensue, within ten years after their commission; for violations of RCW 9A.44.070, 9A.44.080, and 9A.44.100(1)(b), within ((five)) seven years after their commission; for violations of RCW 9A.82.060 or 9A.82.080, within six years after their commission; for all other offenses the punishment of which may be imprisonment in a state correctional institution, within three years after

their commission; two years for gross misdemeanors; and for all other offenses, within one year after their commission: PROVIDED, That any length of time during which the party charged was not usually and publicly resident within this state shall not be reckoned within the one, two, three, (~~five~~) six, seven, and ten years respectively: AND FURTHER PROVIDED, That where an indictment has been found, or complaint or an information filed, within the time limited for the commencement of a criminal action, if the indictment, complaint or information be set aside, the time of limitation shall be extended by the length of time from the time of filing of such indictment, complaint, or information, to the time such indictment, complaint, or information was set aside.

Passed the Senate February 20, 1985.

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CHAPTER 187

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3467]

COUNTY RAIL DISTRICTS—EXTRATERRITORIAL SERVICES

AN ACT Relating to county rail districts; and amending RCW 36.60.010.

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

Sec. 1. Section 8, chapter 303, Laws of 1983 and RCW 36.60.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Subject to RCW 36.60.020, the legislative authority of a county may establish one or more county rail districts within the county for the purpose of providing and funding improved rail freight service. The boundaries of county rail districts shall be drawn to include contiguous property in an area from which agricultural or other goods could be shipped by the rail service provided. The district shall not include property outside this area which does not, or, in the judgment of the county legislative authority, is not expected to produce goods which can be shipped by rail, or property substantially devoted to fruit crops or producing goods that are shipped in a direction away from the district. A county rail district is a quasi municipal corporation, an independent taxing "authority" within the meaning of Article VII, section 1 of the state Constitution, and a "taxing district" within the meaning of Article VII, section 2 of the state Constitution.

A county rail district shall constitute a body corporate and shall possess all the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes as well as all other powers that may now or hereafter be specifically conferred by statute, including, but not limited to, the authority to hire employees, staff, and services, to enter into contracts, to accept and expend or use gifts, grants, and donations, and to sue and be sued.