

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Section 3 of this act shall expire on December 31, 1988.

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CHAPTER 263

[Senate Bill No. 4556]

SPAS, HOT TUBS, SWIMMING POOLS, AND HYDROMASSAGE—ELECTRICAL  
EQUIPMENT SAFETY STANDARDS

AN ACT Relating to electrical equipment safety standards; and amending RCW 19.28.010.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 169, Laws of 1935 as last amended by section 2, chapter 206, Laws of 1983 and RCW 19.28.010 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) All wires and equipment, and installations thereof, that convey electric current and installations of equipment to be operated by electric current, in, on, or about buildings or structures, except for telephone, telegraph, radio, and television wires and equipment, and television antenna installations, signal strength amplifiers, and coaxial installations pertaining thereto shall be in strict conformity with this chapter, the statutes of the state of Washington, and the rules issued by the department, and shall be in conformity with approved methods of construction for safety to life and property. All wires and equipment that fall within section 90.2(b)(5) of the National Electrical Code, 1981 edition, are exempt from the requirements of this chapter. The regulations and articles in the National Electrical Code, as approved by the American Standards Association, and in the national electrical safety code, as approved by the American Standards Association, and other installation and safety regulations approved by the American Standards Association, as modified or supplemented by rules issued by the department in furtherance of safety to life and property under authority hereby granted, shall be prima facie evidence of the approved methods of construction. All materials, devices, appliances, and equipment used in such installations shall be of a type that conforms to applicable standards or be indicated as acceptable by the established standards of the Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. or other equivalently national recognized authorities.

(2) This chapter shall not limit the authority or power of any city or town to enact and enforce under authority given by law, any ordinance, rule, or regulation requiring an equal, higher, or better standard of construction and an equal, higher, or better standard of materials, devices, appliances, and equipment than that required by this chapter. In a city or

town having an equal, higher, or better standard the installations, materials, devices, appliances, and equipment shall be in accordance with the ordinance, rule, or regulation of the city or town. Electrical equipment associated with spas, hot tubs, swimming pools, and hydromassage bathtubs shall not be offered for sale or exchange unless the electrical equipment is certified as being in compliance with the applicable product safety standard by bearing the certification mark of an approved electrical products testing laboratory.

(3) Nothing in this chapter may be construed as permitting the connection of any conductor of any electric circuit with a pipe that is connected with or designed to be connected with a waterworks piping system, without the consent of the person or persons legally responsible for the operation and maintenance of the waterworks piping system.

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## CHAPTER 264

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 4661]

### HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION—BOND ISSUANCE—DEBT LIMIT— ANNUAL AUDIT—REVISIONS

AN ACT Relating to extension of authority to issue and allocate bonds and raise the maximum indebtedness of the Washington state housing finance commission; amending RCW 43.180.050, 43.180.160, and 43.180.200; repealing RCW 43.180.210; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 5, chapter 161, Laws of 1983 and RCW 43.180.050 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In addition to other powers and duties prescribed in this chapter, and in furtherance of the purposes of this chapter to provide decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing for eligible persons, the commission is empowered to:

(a) Issue bonds in accordance with this chapter (~~(- PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That this power to issue bonds shall cease to exist on June 30, 1986, unless extended by law for an additional fixed period of time));~~

(b) Invest in, purchase, or make commitments to purchase or take assignments from mortgage lenders of mortgages or mortgage loans;

(c) Make loans to or deposits with mortgage lenders for the purpose of making mortgage loans; and

(d) Participate fully in federal and other governmental programs and to take such actions as are necessary and consistent with this chapter to secure to itself and the people of the state the benefits of those programs and