

NEW SECTION. Sec. 56. Sections 1 through 55 of this act are added to chapter 43.131 RCW.

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CHAPTER 198

[Engrossed House Bill No. 520]

LOW-INCOME RATES—SEWER AND WATER DISTRICTS

AN ACT Relating to special district rates and charges; adding a new section to chapter 56.08 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 57.08 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. There is added to chapter 56.08 RCW a new section to read as follows:

In addition to the authority of a sewer district to establish classifications for rates and charges and impose such rates and charges, as provided in RCW 56.08.010 and 56.16.090, a sewer district may adjust, or delay such rates and charges for low-income persons or classes of low-income persons, including but not limited to, poor handicapped persons and poor senior citizens. Other financial assistance available to poor persons shall be considered in determining charges and rates under this section. Notification of special rates or charges established under this section shall be provided to all persons served by the district annually and upon initiating service. Information on cost shifts caused by establishment of the special rates or charges shall be included in the notification. Any reduction in charges and rates granted to poor persons in one part of a service area shall be uniformly extended to poor persons in all other parts of the service area.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 57.08 RCW a new section to read as follows:

In addition to the authority of a water district to establish classifications for rates and charges and impose such rates and charges, as provided in RCW 57.08.010 and 57.20.020, a water district may adjust, or delay such rates and charges for poor persons or classes of poor persons, including but not limited to, poor handicapped persons and poor senior citizens. Other financial assistance available to poor persons shall be considered in determining charges and rates under this section. Notification of special rates or charges established under this section shall be provided to all persons served by the district annually and upon initiating service. Information on cost shifts caused by establishment of the special rates or charges shall be included in the notification. Any reduction in charges and rates granted to

poor persons in one part of a service area shall be uniformly extended to poor persons in all other parts of the service area.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. 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.

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CHAPTER 199

[Substitute House Bill No. 522]

DEPORTATION OF ALIENS UPON CONVICTION—ADVISEMENT

AN ACT Relating to criminal procedure; adding a new section to chapter 10.40 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. There is added to chapter 10.40 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) The legislature finds and declares that in many instances involving an individual who is not a citizen of the United States charged with an offense punishable as a crime under state law, a plea of guilty is entered without the defendant knowing that a conviction of such offense is grounds for deportation, exclusion from admission to the United States, or denial of naturalization pursuant to the laws of the United States. Therefore, it is the intent of the legislature in enacting this section to promote fairness to such accused individuals by requiring in such cases that acceptance of a guilty plea be preceded by an appropriate warning of the special consequences for such a defendant which may result from the plea. It is further the intent of the legislature that at the time of the plea no defendant be required to disclose his or her legal status to the court.

(2) Prior to acceptance of a plea of guilty to any offense punishable as a crime under state law, except offenses designated as infractions under state law, the court shall determine that the defendant has been advised of the following potential consequences of conviction for a defendant who is not a citizen of the United States: Deportation, exclusion from admission to the United States, or denial of naturalization pursuant to the laws of the United States. A defendant signing a guilty plea statement containing the advisement required by this subsection shall be presumed to have received the required advisement. If, after September 1, 1983, the defendant has not been advised as required by this section and the defendant shows that conviction