

July 1, 1975 (~~and would be required under the terms of the contract to bear the economic burden of the additional taxes imposed by this 1975 amendatory act~~), the additional taxes imposed by chapter 90, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess., section 5, chapter 291, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and this 1975 amendatory act shall not be required to be paid by such person in carrying on activities in the fulfillment of such contract.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. If any provision of this 1975 amendatory 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.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. This 1975 amendatory 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 2

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2971]

### APPROPRIATIONS—SCHOOL LEVY RELIEF—TRANSIT BONDS DEBT SERVICE

AN ACT Relating to appropriations; amending section 193, chapter 269, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. (uncodified); making appropriations; and declaring an emergency.

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

\*NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund including amounts from motor vehicle excise taxes imposed pursuant to RCW 35.58.273 through 35.58.279 except those amounts which are obligated for bonds and the covenants thereof issued as of the effective date of this 1975 amendatory act to the superintendent of public instruction for the biennium ending June 30, 1977, for distribution appropriate to the purposes of this section during the 1975-76 school year to school districts as hereinafter in this section provided, the sum of sixty-five million dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary: **PROVIDED**, That not more than three and one-half million dollars of such amount shall be allocated to districts which have submitted but failed to authorize one or more excess levies for maintenance and operations in 1976 and with a relatively high percentage of urban, rural, racial, and disadvantaged children, to continue quality educational programs for the 1975-76 school year at approximately the same student-teacher ratio that existed during the 1974-75 school year for any such districts or schools within such districts.

Allocations under this section for special levy relief shall be made by the superintendent of public instruction to local school districts in accordance with the following procedure:

Those local school districts which have received authorization for collection of an excess levy in 1976 for maintenance and operations or which have submitted

one or more excess levies for maintenance and operations in 1976 shall receive an amount in the sum of eighty dollars, or as much as may be available thereof, per full time equivalent pupil enrolled for the 1975-76 school year. The superintendent of public instruction shall determine and notify each local school district of the amount of such funds made available by this section. Each board of directors of a local school district which qualifies for an allotment of funds for special levy relief pursuant to the provisions of this section and has been authorized an excess levy for maintenance and operations for collection in 1976, prior to receiving an allotment of funds hereunder, shall certify to the respective county legislative authority a reduction in the excess levy equal to the amount of funds made available for special levy relief pursuant to this section. Any school district which fails to certify and roll back excess levies in the manner required by this section shall not receive any allotment from the superintendent of public instruction of the funds made available under this section. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any district receiving authorization for collection of an excess levy in 1976 for maintenance and operations shall not receive an allocation during the last half of fiscal year 1976 in an amount together with the reduced levy collection over the amount which would have been derived from the originally approved levy for such period. Any excess amount of the allocation due any such district as calculated pursuant to this section shall be distributed as the superintendent of public instruction shall direct during the first six months of fiscal year 1977.

Those local school districts which did not submit one or more excess levies for maintenance and operations for collection in 1976 and in addition experience a net per pupil expenditure, excluding transportation costs, of less than the state-wide average per student during the 1974-75 school year, shall receive an amount equal to fifty dollars per full time equivalent pupil during the 1975-76 school year.

The superintendent of public instruction, pursuant to chapter 34.04 RCW, shall promulgate rules and regulations to effect the intent of this section.

\*Section 1 was later amended by chapter 7, Laws of 1975-76 2nd ex. sess.

Sec. 2. Section 193, chapter 269, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

If any municipality, which shall have pledged the revenue from the special excise tax authorized by RCW 35.58.273 to secure the payment of all or any part of the principal of or interest on any general obligation bonds or revenue bonds issued pursuant to RCW 35.58.279, does not receive state transit assistance sufficient to meet such bond obligations, there is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of (~~(\$3,000,000)~~) four million one hundred eighty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, to the state treasurer who shall distribute to each such municipality a sum equal to such bond obligation.

It is the intent of the legislature that the appropriation contained in this section shall be expended only for debt service on bonds which have been issued under RCW 35.58.2731 as of the effective date of this 1975 amendatory act and no part of this appropriation shall be expended for maintenance and operations of any mass transit system.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This 1975 amendatory 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 3

[Senate Bill No. 2978]

#### ELECTIONS—UNEXPIRED TERMS

AN ACT Relating to elections; amending section 29.13.010, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 1, chapter 36, Laws of 1973 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 29.13.010; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 29.13.010, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 1, chapter 36, Laws of 1973 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 29.13.010 are each amended to read as follows:

All state, county, city, town, and district general elections for the election of federal, state, legislative, judicial, county, city, town, district, and precinct officers, and for the submission to the voters of the state of any measure for their adoption and approval or rejection, shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November, in the year in which they may be called. A state-wide general election shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November of each year: PROVIDED, That the state-wide general election held in odd-numbered years shall be limited to (1) city, town, and district general elections as provided for in RCW 29.13.020, or as otherwise provided by law; (2) the election of federal officers for the remainder of any unexpired terms in the membership of either branch of the congress of the United States; (3) the election of state and county officers for the remainder of any unexpired terms ~~((as provided for))~~ of offices created by whose duties are described in Article II, section 15, Article III, sections ~~((16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, and Article IV, sections 3 and 5 of the state Constitution and RCW 2.06.080; (4) the election of county officers in any county governed by a charter containing provisions calling for general county elections at this time; and (5) the approval or rejection of state measures, including proposed constitutional amendments, matters pertaining to any proposed constitutional convention, initiative measures and referendum measures proposed by the electorate, referendum bills, and any other matter provided by the legislature for submission to the electorate: PROVIDED FURTHER, That this section shall not be construed as fixing the time for holding primary elections, or elections for the recall of county, city, town, or district officers: PROVIDED HOWEVER, That the board of county commissioners may, if they deem an emergency to exist, call a special county election at any time by presenting a resolution to the county auditor at least forty-five days prior to the proposed election date. Such county special election shall be noticed and conducted in the manner provided by law.~~