

to be designated by the board of county commissioners of each county making up the authority. In the case of an authority comprised of four or five counties, the board shall be comprised of one appointee of the city selection committee of each county as hereinafter provided who shall represent the city having the most population in such county, and one (~~county commissioner~~) representative from each county to be designated by the board of county commissioners of each county making up the authority. In the case of an authority comprised of six or more counties, the board shall be comprised of one (~~county commissioner~~) representative from each county to be designated by the board of county commissioners of each county making up the authority, and one appointee from each city with over one hundred thousand population to be appointed by the mayor and city council of such city.

(3) If the board of an authority otherwise would consist of an even number, the members selected as above provided shall agree upon and elect an additional member who shall be either a member of the governing body of one of the towns, cities or counties comprising the authority, or a private citizen residing in the authority. All board members shall hold office at the pleasure of the appointing body.

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CHAPTER 151

[House Bill No. 1385]

INSURER—DEFINED FOR MERGERS OR CHANGES IN INSURANCE ENTITIES

AN ACT Relating to mergers, rehabilitation, and liquidation of insurance entities; amending RCW 48.31.020; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section .31.02, chapter 79, Laws of 1947 and RCW 48.31.020 are each amended to read as follows:

For the purposes of this chapter, other than as to RCW 48.31.010, and in addition to persons included under RCW 48.31.110, the term "insurer" shall be deemed to include an insurer authorized under chapter 48.05 RCW, a health care service contractor registered under chapter 48.44 RCW, and a health maintenance organization registered under chapter 48.46 RCW, as well as all persons engaged as, or purporting to be engaged as insurers ((in the business of insurance)), health care service contractors, or health maintenance organizations in this state, and to persons in process of organization to become insurers, health care service contractors, or health maintenance organizations.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 152

[Senate Bill No. 5023]

UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION—TARIFF CHANGES—
SUSPENSION

AN ACT Relating to proposed tariff changes; and amending RCW 80.28.060 and 80.36.110.

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

Sec. 1. Section 80.28.060, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 and RCW 80.28-.060 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the commission otherwise orders, no change shall be made in any rate or charge or in any form of contract or agreement or in any rule or regulation relating to any rate, charge or service, or in any general privilege or facility which shall have been filed and published by a gas company, electrical company or water company in compliance with the requirements of RCW 80.28.050 except after thirty days' notice to the commission and publication for thirty days, which notice shall plainly state the changes proposed to be made in the schedule then in force and the time when the change will go into effect and all proposed changes shall be shown by printing, filing and publishing new schedules, or shall be plainly indicated upon the schedules in force at the time and kept open to public inspection. Proposed changes may be suspended by the commission within thirty days or before the stated effective date of the proposed change, whichever is later. The commission, for good cause shown, may allow changes without requiring the thirty days' notice by duly filing, in such manner as it may direct, an order specifying the changes so to be made and the time when it shall take effect. All such changes shall be immediately indicated upon its schedules by the company affected. When any change is made in any rate or charge, form of contract or agreement, or any rule or regulation relating to any rate or charge or service, or in any general privilege or facility, the effect of which is to increase any rate or charge, then in existence, attention shall be directed on the copy filed with the commission to such increase by some character immediately preceding or following the item in such schedule, such character to be in form as designated by the commission.