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Severability.

Sec. 20. If any provision of this amendatory act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Passed the House January 30, 1967.

Passed the Senate March 6, 1967.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1967.

## CHAPTER 178.

[Engrossed House Bill No. 633.]

### SEWER DISTRICTS-LEASES.

AN ACT relating to sewer districts; authorizing the lease of real property owned or held by sewer districts; and adding new sections to chapter 210, Laws of 1941 and to chapter 56.08 RCW.

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

Sewer districts
—Leases—
Authority.

- Section 1. Within the limitations prescribed by sections 2 through 5 of this 1967 amendatory act, a sewer district may lease out any real property held by it which is not necessary for its immediate use and purposes, and upon such terms and conditions as the board of sewer district commissioners deems proper, when and only after:
- (1) In the case of real property, the board has by resolution declared the property, to be property for which there is a future need by the district and for which provision is made in the comprehensive plan of the sewer system of the district as it exists or may from time to time be revised, altered or amended.

Notice— Publication. Sec. 2. No lease shall be made until the sewer district has first caused notice thereof, with full description by name of the proposed lessees, the pur-

pose for which the property is to be leased, the street address and location of the property, and a full legal description thereof as described in the records of the county auditor of the county wherein the property is located or situated, and the term for which the property is proposed to be leased, twice in a newspaper of general circulation within the sewer district. Such notice shall also include a date and place of hearing on the proposed lease, for the presentation by any and all persons interested therein of any legal objections thereto; and the first notice shall be published at least fifteen days prior to the execution of the lease, and the second at least seven days prior thereto.

Sec. 3. No such lease shall be made unless secured by a bond conditioned on the performance of the terms of the lease, with surety satisfactory to the commissioners, in a penalty of not less than one-sixth of the term of the lease or for one year's rental, whichever is greater; and no such lease shall be made for a term longer than twenty-five years.

Lease secured

Sec. 4. In cases involving leases of more than five Bonds. years, the commissioners may in their discretion provide for and stipulate to acceptance of a bond conditioned on the performance of a part of the term for five years or more whenever it is further provided that the lessee must procure and deliver to the board of commissioners renewal bonds with like terms and conditions no more than two years prior nor less than one year prior to the expiration of each such bond during the entire term of the lease: Provided. That no such bond shall be construed to secure the furnishing of any other bond by the same surety or indemnity company.

Sec. 5. The commissioners may accept as surety Surety or on any bond required by sections 3 and 4 of this property 1967 amendatory act an approved surety company,

or may accept in lieu thereof a secured interest in property of a value at least twice the amount of the bond required, conditioned further that in the event the commissioners determine that the value of the bond security has become or is about to become impaired, additional security shall be required from the lessee.

New chapter.

Sec. 6. Sections 1 through 5 of this 1967 amendatory act are each added to chapter 210, Laws of 1941 and to chapter 56.08 RCW.

Passed the House March 2, 1967.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1967.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1967.

# CHAPTER 179.

[House Bill No. 142.]

#### IRISH SEED POTATOES.

AN ACT relating to Irish seed potatoes; and amending section 15.50.020, chapter 11, Laws of 1961 and RCW 15.50.020.

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

RCW 15.50.020 amended.

Section 1. Section 15.50.020, chapter 11, Laws of 1961 and RCW 15.50.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Irish seed potatoes— Inspection and sale. No person shall sell, offer for sale, hold for sale, barter, or trade or knowingly transport within this state any Irish potatoes either whole or in part for seed, propagating or reproduction purposes unless such potatoes are in new containers and are accompanied by a certificate stating that such potatoes were inspected by accepted methods and procedures and that at the time of inspection were found not to be infected with bacterial ring rot, powdery scab, blackwort, nematode, and/or more than one percent