

All persons so notified must, within ~~((five))~~ twenty days after receipt of the notice, advise the department of any and all such credits, personal property, or debts in their possession, under their control or owing by them, as the case may be, and shall immediately deliver such credits, personal property, or debts to the department or its duly authorized representative to be applied to the indebtedness involved.

If a person fails to answer the notice within the time prescribed by this section, it is lawful for the court, upon application of the department and after the time to answer the notice has expired, to render judgment by default against such person for the full amount claimed by the department in the notice to withhold and deliver, together with costs.

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## CHAPTER 243

[Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 3156]

### PUGET SOUND WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY

AN ACT Relating to Puget Sound water quality; adding a new chapter to Title 90 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) There is established the Puget Sound water quality authority consisting of twenty-one members appointed by the governor. In making the appointments to the authority, the governor shall seek to include representation of all interested parties, including federal, state, and local government, environmental and health agencies, business, citizen groups such as environmental and public interest groups, and the fisheries and tourism industries.

(2) Of the initial members appointed to the authority, six shall serve terms of four years, five shall serve terms of three years, five shall serve terms of two years, and five shall serve terms of one year. Thereafter, members shall be appointed to terms of four years. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term of the position being vacated. Members of the authority shall receive no compensation for their service.

(3) The authority shall from time to time elect a chairman from among its members and adopt rules to govern its procedures.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The Puget Sound water quality authority shall conduct studies of the water quality of Puget Sound. The studies shall include, but not be limited to, the following elements:

(1) Identification of pollution-related threats to the health of important resource species of the sound, including the identification of sources, types, and concentrations of chemicals, emphasizing accumulations in important marine organisms, and identification of those chemicals responsible for degrading the health of Puget Sound marine life, as well as evaluations of the health of marine life through laboratory and field studies and identification of pollution-related changes in marine organisms;

(2) The conduct of risk assessments to evaluate possible threats of pollution to human health, including review and evaluation of pertinent literature and study results, identification and surveillance of human populations at risk, conduct of epidemiologic investigations, conduct of animal feeding studies and related research, and evaluation of data to provide a basis for proposing remedial actions;

(3) Establishment of procedures for coordination of activities and dissemination of information among agencies responsible for protecting marine life and human health and controlling the discharge of man-made chemicals into Puget Sound.

The authority shall make periodic reports on Puget Sound water quality to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies, including the legislature. In making these reports, the authority may recommend legislative and regulatory modifications to improve water quality in Puget Sound.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The Puget Sound water quality authority may receive such gifts, grants, and endowments as may be made from time to time, in trust or otherwise, for the use and benefit of the purposes of the authority. The authority may expend the same or any income therefrom according to the terms of the gifts, grants, or endowments.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. (1) The department of ecology shall provide staff support to the Puget Sound water quality authority. In addition, the authority may appoint such employees as may be needed to accomplish the duties of the authority.

(2) The authority may enter into, amend, and terminate contracts with individuals, corporations, or research institutions for the purposes of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Members of the Puget Sound water quality authority shall be reimbursed for travel expenses as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. The Puget Sound water quality authority shall cease to exist and this chapter shall expire on June 30, 1987.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. Sections 1 through 6 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 90 RCW.

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## CHAPTER 244

[Senate Bill No. 3184]

### DOUBLE AMENDMENTS—CORRECTION BY CODE REVISER IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES

AN ACT Relating to statutory construction; and amending section 1, chapter 162, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 2, chapter 87, Laws of 1980 and RCW 1.12.025.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 162, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 2, chapter 87, Laws of 1980 and RCW 1.12.025 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) If at any session of the legislature there are enacted two or more acts amending the same section of the session laws or of the official code, each amendment without reference to the others, each act shall be given effect to the extent that the amendments do not conflict in purpose, otherwise the act last filed in the office of the secretary of state in point of time, shall control: PROVIDED, That if one or more special sessions of the same legislature shall follow any regular session, this rule of construction shall apply to the laws enacted at either, both, any, or all of such sessions.

(2) If a section of the session laws or of the official code is amended without reference to another amendment of the same section, the code reviser, in consultation with the statute law committee, may publish the section in the official code with all amendments incorporated therein. The publication of the section under this subsection shall occur only if the statute law committee determines that the amendments do not conflict in purpose or effect. Sections so published constitute prima facie evidence of the law but shall not be construed as changing the meaning of any such law.

The code reviser, in consultation with the statute law committee, may decodify a section of the official code which was repealed without reference to an amendment to the section. The decodification of the section shall occur only if the statute law committee determines that the decodification does not conflict with the purpose of the amendment. Any decision of the code reviser, in consultation with the statute law committee, to incorporate amendments in the same section or to decodify a section which was both repealed and amended in the same session shall be clearly noted in the revised code of Washington.