

CHAPTER 500

[Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 499]

WASTEWATER PERMITS—REVIEW AND MODIFICATION

AN ACT Relating to the issuance or renewal of state and federal wastewater permits; adding a new section to chapter 90.48 RCW; and repealing RCW 90.48.470.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 90.48 RCW to read as follows:

In order to improve water quality by controlling toxicants in wastewater, the department of ecology shall in issuing and renewing state and federal wastewater discharge permits review the applicant's operations and incorporate permit conditions which require all known, available, and reasonable methods to control toxicants in the applicant's wastewater. Such conditions may include, but are not limited to: (1) Limits on the discharge of specific chemicals, and (2) limits on the overall toxicity of the effluent. The toxicity of the effluent shall be determined by techniques such as chronic or acute bioassays. Such conditions shall be required regardless of the quality of receiving water and regardless of the minimum water quality standards. In no event shall the discharge of toxicants be allowed that would violate any water quality standard, including toxicant standards, sediment criteria, and dilution zone criteria.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Section 1, chapter 249, Laws of 1985 and RCW 90.48.470 are each repealed.

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CHAPTER 501

[Substitute House Bill No. 1132]

TRI-CITIES—ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION

AN ACT Relating to the diversification of the economy of the Tri-Cities; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature recognizes that the economic base of the Tri-Cities is overly dependent upon congressional appropriations to the nuclear activities on the Hanford reservation. Frequent fluctuations in federal appropriations have resulted in a local economy which is unstable and which has limited flexibility to respond to important shifts in federal policy. Additionally, many jobs in the Tri-Cities area may

be permanently lost when the Hanford N reactor ceases operations. The legislature finds that it is in the best interests of the state and the Tri-Cities area to develop a more balanced and diversified Tri-Cities economy which is better able to meet the long-term employment needs of local citizens.

(2) The department of trade and economic development shall initiate a study to investigate the state's role in the economic diversification of the Tri-Cities economy. The department is authorized to undertake portions of this study by contracting with private firms or through the development of required feasibility studies. The department shall develop the study in conjunction with the department of community development.

(3) The study shall focus on:

(a) The need for expanded higher education capabilities in the Tri-Cities area;

(b) Methods of utilizing the following economic development assets of the Tri-Cities area to diversify the economy:

(i) The large concentration of scientists and engineers;

(ii) An extensive scientific and technological knowledge base;

(iii) The availability of land and real estate;

(iv) The availability of rail, air, and highway transportation; and

(v) Accessibility to outdoor recreational activities;

(c) Methods of addressing the economic development liabilities of the Tri-Cities area, including isolation from major markets, suppliers, and sources of capital;

(d) Potential markets for the Tri-Cities services and products;

(e) The availability of venture capital and other potential funding sources;

(f) The commercialization of federally-developed technology by assisting and promoting the transfer of technology into commercial applications; and

(g) The development of a plan to diversify the industrial base of the Tri-Cities.

(4) The following entities shall be consulted in conducting the study: The Tri-City industrial development council, the administration and faculty of the Tri-City University Center and the Columbia Basin College, the Tri-City visitor and convention bureau, the area chambers of commerce, the area port districts, the cities of Pasco, Kennewick, Richland, West Richland, and Benton City, the United States department of energy, Hanford contractors, the economic development board, the small business export finance center, the small business development corporations established under RCW 28B.30.530, the agricultural community and other relevant state agencies.

(5) The department shall submit a final report to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature no later than January 1, 1988.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This 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 502

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 5606]

BUDGET AND ACCOUNTING—REVISIONS

AN ACT Relating to budget and accounting; amending RCW 43.88.020, 43.88.037, 43.88.050, 43.88.110, 43.88.120, 43.88.260, 82.32.400, 82.32.090, and 82.01.120; reenacting and amending RCW 43.88.030; repealing RCW 43.88.040; providing effective dates; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 36, Laws of 1982 1st ex. sess. as last amended by section 2, chapter 215, Laws of 1986 and RCW 43.88.020 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) "Budget" shall mean a proposed plan of expenditures for a given period or purpose and the proposed means for financing these expenditures.

(2) "Budget document" shall mean a formal, written statement offered by the governor to the legislature, as provided in RCW 43.88.030.

(3) "Director of financial management" shall mean the official appointed by the governor to serve at the governor's pleasure and to whom the governor may delegate necessary authority to carry out the governor's duties as provided in this chapter. The director of financial management shall be head of the office of financial management which shall be in the office of the governor.

(4) "Agency" shall mean and include every state office, officer, each institution, whether educational, correctional or other, and every department, division, board and commission, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

(5) "Public funds", for purposes of this chapter, shall mean all moneys, including cash, checks, bills, notes, drafts, stocks and bonds, whether held in trust, for operating purposes, or for capital purposes, and collected or disbursed under law, whether or not such funds are otherwise subject to legislative appropriation, including funds maintained outside the state treasury.

(6) "Regulations" shall mean the policies, standards and requirements, stated in writing, designed to carry out the purposes of this chapter, as issued by the governor or ~~(his)~~ the governor's designated agent, and which shall have the force and effect of law.