

personal service contracts delayed for emergency purposes shall be made not more than five days after commencement of the contract work involved.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 191, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and to chapter 39.29 RCW a new section to read as follows:

This chapter does not apply to:

(1) Contracts specifying a fee of less than two thousand five hundred dollars if the total of such contracts from that agency with the contractor within a twelve-month period does not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars;

(2) Contracts awarded through competitive bids if the bidding follows a formal, documented bid procedure and if the request for bids is advertised through the media normally used by the particular service being sought: PROVIDED, That for management purposes, the office of financial management may require the filing of certain contracts exempted under this subsection;

(3) Contracts where the contracting agency recognizes that an employee-employer relationship exists;

(4) Contracts awarded to companies that furnish a service where the tariff is established by the utilities and transportation commission or other public entity;

(5) Intergovernmental agreements awarded to any public corporation, whether federal, state, or local and any department, division, or subdivision thereof; and

(6) Contracts awarded for services to be performed for a standard fee, when the standard fee is established by the contracting agency or any other public corporation and a like contract is available to all qualified applicants.

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CHAPTER 62

[Senate Bill No. 2385]

FUNERAL SERVICES—COST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

AN ACT Relating to funeral directors; and adding a new section to chapter 18.39 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 18.39 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) Every licensed funeral director, his agent, or his employee shall give, or cause to be given, to the person making funeral arrangements or arranging for shipment, transportation, or other disposition of a deceased person:

(a) If requested by telephone, accurate information regarding the retail prices of funeral merchandise and services offered for sale by that funeral director; and

(b) At the time such arrangements are completed or prior to the time of rendering the service, a written, itemized statement showing to the extent then known the price of merchandise and service that such person making such arrangements has selected, the price of supplemental items of service and merchandise, if any, and the estimated amount of each item for which the funeral service firm will advance money as an accommodation to the person making such funeral arrangements.

(2) No such funeral director, his agent, or his employee, shall bill or cause to be billed any item that is referred to as a "cash advanced" item unless the net amount paid for such item by the funeral director is the same amount as is billed to such funeral director.

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CHAPTER 63

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2492]

TELEPHONE SERVICE—TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE INSTALLATIONS
FOR THE DEAF

AN ACT Relating to handicapped persons; adding a new section to chapter 70.54 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The legislature finds that many citizens of this state who are unable to utilize telephone services in a regular manner due to hearing defects are able to communicate by teletypewriters where hearing is not required for communication. Hence, it is the purpose of section 2 of this act to require that telecommunication devices for the deaf be installed.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 70.54 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) For the purpose of this section "telecommunication device" means an instrument for telecommunication in which speaking or hearing is not required for communicators.

(2) The county legislative authority of each fourth class or larger county and the governing body of each city with a population in excess of 10,000 shall provide by July 1, 1980 for a telecommunication device in their jurisdiction or through a central dispatch office that will assure access to police, fire, or other emergency services.