

Presumption of due care.

cover judgment except upon competent evidence other than the testimony of said injured person or persons and the testimony of the injured person or persons, by itself, shall not be sufficient to overcome the presumption of due care on the part of the deceased tort feisor.

Passed the Senate February 26, 1953.

Passed the House February 25, 1953.

Approved by the Governor March 5, 1953.

CHAPTER 74.

[S. B. 31.]

FOREST REHABILITATION—YACOLT BURN.

AN ACT relating to the rehabilitation of the Yacolt burn in Clark and Skamania counties; and making an appropriation.

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

Yacolt burn area designated high hazard forest area.

SECTION 1. The Yacolt burn situated in Clark, Skamania, and Cowlitz counties in townships 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 north, ranges 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7½ and 8 east is hereby designated a high hazard forest area requiring rehabilitation by the establishment of extensive protection facilities and by the restocking of denuded areas artificially to restore the productivity of the land.

Definitions. "Supervisor."

SEC. 2. As used in this chapter:

The term "supervisor" means the supervisor of forestry;

"Board."

The term "board" means the state forest board;

"Owner."

The term "owner" means and includes individuals, partnerships, corporations, associations, federal land managing agencies, state of Washington, counties, municipalities, and other forest land owners;

“Forest land” means any lands considered best adapted for the growing of trees. “Forest land.”

SEC. 3. This chapter shall be administered by the division of forestry under the guidance and approval of the state forest board. Administration of chapter.

SEC. 4. The supervisor shall use funds placed at his disposal to map, survey, fell snags, build firebreaks and access roads, increase forest protection activities, and do other work deemed necessary to protect forest lands from fire in the rehabilitation zone. Use of funds.

SEC. 5. The supervisor is authorized to cooperate with owners of land located in this area in establishing firebreaks in their most logical position regardless of land ownership. Full costs will be borne by each land owner but the filing of certified cost accounts with the supervisor may make the owner eligible for reimbursement or benefits if and when participating monies or benefits become available and legislation is passed establishing the responsibilities of the state and the owners concerned. Firebreaks; location and costs.

SEC. 6. For the biennium ending March 31, 1955, there is hereby appropriated from the general fund to the division of forestry of the department of conservation and development, to carry out the provisions of this act, the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary. Appropriation.

Passed the Senate February 7, 1953.

Passed the House February 28, 1953.

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