

ployee of a common carrier for anything done in the line of duty.

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CHAPTER 30.

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ARTICLES PRODUCED BY INMATES OF PENAL, CORRECTIONAL, OR REFORMATORY INSTITUTIONS—PURCHASE BY STATE.

AN ACT relating to the department of institutions and the institutional industries commission; providing for the supervisor of purchasing to give preference to articles produced or manufactured by inmates of penal, correctional, or reformatory institutions in all purchases made for departments and agencies of the state; making certain exceptions; providing for printing and distribution of lists; adding 6 new sections to chapter 43.95 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 43.95 RCW a new section to read as follows: New section.

The purpose of this chapter is to aid and assist the department of institutions in minimizing or eliminating idleness among the inmates of the state penal, correctional, or reformatory institutions and promoting rehabilitation by affording such inmates an opportunity to participate in industrial and agricultural activities and to provide for the disposition and sale of the articles produced. Declaration of purpose.

SEC. 2. There is added to chapter 43.95 RCW a new section to read as follows: New section.

The supervisor of purchasing for the state of Washington shall give preference in the purchase of materials and supplies for the institutions, departments and agencies of the state, to those produced Supervisor of purchasing to give preference to goods purchased for state.

by industries authorized and approved by the institutional industries commission.

New section.

SEC. 3. There is added to chapter 43.95 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Declaration of police power—
Construction of chapter.

This chapter shall be deemed an exercise of the police power of the state for the protection of the health, welfare, peace and safety of the people and shall be liberally construed for the accomplishment of that purpose.

New section.

SEC. 4. There is added to chapter 43.95 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Exceptions from chapter—
Evasion enjoined.

Exceptions from the operation of the provisions of this chapter may be made in any case where in the opinion of the supervisor of purchasing, the attorney general and the commissioner of the employment security department, or a majority of them who are hereby constituted a board for such purpose, the articles so produced or manufactured do not meet the reasonable requirements of such departments, institutions, or agencies of the state of Washington. In any case where the requisition made cannot be complied with on account of an insufficient supply of articles or supplies required, the director of the department of institutions may grant an exemption to such requisitioning department or agency of the state of Washington. No department, institution, or agency of the state of Washington shall be allowed to evade the intent and meaning of this section by slight variations from adopted standards when the articles produced or manufactured by such institutional industries are reasonably adapted to the actual needs of such departments, institutions, or agencies of the state of Washington.

New section.

SEC. 5. There is added to chapter 43.95 RCW a new section to read as follows:

No voucher, certificate, or warrant issued on the state treasurer by any such department, institution,

or agency of the state of Washington shall be questioned by him or by the state auditor on the grounds that this chapter has not been complied with by such department, institution, or agency, but if intentional violation of this chapter continues after notice from the governor to desist, such violation shall constitute a malfeasance in office and shall subject the officers responsible for this violation to suspension or removal from office, as may be provided by law in other cases of malfeasance.

Voucher not to be questioned for chapter violation—Violation, malfeasance in office.

SEC. 6. There is added to chapter 43.95 RCW a new section to read as follows:

New section.

The department of institutions may cause to be prepared annually, at such times as it may determine, lists containing the descriptions of all articles and supplies manufactured and produced pursuant to the provisions of this chapter; copies of such list shall be sent to the supervisor of purchasing and to all departments, institutions and agencies of the state of Washington.

Lists to be supplied agencies of the state.

SEC. 7. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

General repeal.

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