

CHAPTER 77.

[ S. B. 157. ]

EXCHANGE OF PUBLIC LANDS.

AN ACT relating to the exchange of lands; amending section 1, chapter 77, Laws of 1937 and RCW 76.12.050; amending section 2, chapter 77, Laws of 1937 and RCW 76.12.060; adding a new section to chapter 77, Laws of 1937 and to chapter 76.12 RCW; and amending section 1, chapter 290, Laws of 1957 and RCW 79.08.180.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 77, Laws of 1937 and RCW 76.12.050 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 76.12.050 amended.

The board of county commissioners of any county and/or the mayor and city council or city commission of any city or town and/or the board of natural resources shall have authority to exchange, each with the other, or with the federal forest service, the federal government or any proper agency thereof and/or with any private landowner, county land of any character, land owned by municipalities of any character, and land owned by the state under the jurisdiction of the department of natural resources, for real property of equal value for the purpose of consolidating and blocking up the respective land holdings of any county, municipality, the federal government, or the state of Washington.

Reforestation. Exchanges to block up holdings.

SEC. 2. Section 2, chapter 77, Laws of 1937 and RCW 76.12.060 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 76.12.060 amended.

The commissioner of public lands shall, with the advice and approval of the attorney general, execute such agreements, writings, or relinquishments and certify to the governor such deeds as are necessary or proper to complete an exchange as authorized by the board of natural resources under section 1 of this act.

—Deeds.

New section.

SEC. 3. There is added to chapter 77, Laws of 1937 and to chapter 76.12 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Administra-  
tion of lands  
acquired.

Lands acquired by the state of Washington as the result of any exchange authorized under section 1 of this act shall be held and administered for the benefit of the same fund and subject to the same laws as were the lands exchanged therefor.

RCW 79.08.180  
amended.

SEC. 4. Section 1, chapter 290, Laws of 1957 and RCW 79.08.180 are each amended to read as follows:

Exchange of  
lands to facili-  
tate marketing  
of forest prod-  
ucts, block up  
state lands.

For the purpose of facilitating the marketing of forest products of state lands, or consolidating and blocking up of state lands, the commissioner of public lands may, with the advice and approval of such state board, commission, committee, or agency exercising control over the disposal of the land involved, exchange any state lands with any timber thereon for any other land of equal value, including other state lands, lands of the United States, county or municipal lands of any character, and privately owned lands.

Passed the Senate February 14, 1961.

Passed the House March 1, 1961.

Approved by the Governor March 8, 1961.

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CHAPTER 78.

[ S. B. 170. ]

ELECTIONS—ABSENTEE VOTING.

AN ACT relating to elections; and adding two new sections to chapter 41, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and to chapter 29.36 RCW.

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

New section.

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 41, Laws of 1933 extraordinary session and to chapter 29.36 RCW a new section to read as follows: