ed and any mortality guarantees.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 6. No person shall be or act as an agent for the solicitation or sale of such policies or contracts except while duly appointed and licensed under the insurance code as a life insurance agent with respect to the insurer, and while duly licensed as a security salesman or securities broker under a license issued by the Administrator of Securities pursuant to the Securities Act of this state.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the commissioner shall have sole and exclusive authority to regulate the issuance and sale of variable contracts; except for the examination, issuance or renewal, suspension or revocation, of a security salesman's license issued to persons selling variable contracts. To carry out the purposes and provisions of this act he may independently, and in concert with the state securities administrator, issue such reasonable rules and regulations as may be appropriate.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 8. Sections 1 through 7 of this 1969 act are each added to Title 48 RCW as a new chapter.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 9. Sections 14 through 18, chapter 70, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 48.13.370 through 48.13.410 are each repealed.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 10. This 1969 act shall take effect July 1, 1969.

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> CHAPTER 105 [Engrossed House Bill No. 13] VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION--RETARDED, HANDICAPPED, DISADVANTAGED, PERSONS

AN ACT Relating to vocational rehabilitation; amending section 8, chapter 118, Laws of 1967, as amended by section 46, chapter 8, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 28.10.080; adding a new section to chapter 8, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and to chapter 28.10 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 1. The purpose of this act is to encourage the development, improvement, and expansion of sheltered employment and supervised work programs for mentally retarded, severely handicapped and disadvantaged individuals to enable them to become contributing and self-supporting members of society as an alternative to dependency.

The condition of the mentally retarded, severely handicapped and disadvantaged is such that after laborious training in the schools and otherwise, they reach the point in their lives where they can and should, under proper and continued guidance, engage in sheltered employment and/or supervised work to help them become contributing members of society instead of being dependent. For such persons, retention in sheltered employment or supervised work may constitute satisfactory placement. Such training and placement is often a suitable alternative to institutionalization or idleness and its consequences. By keeping these individuals within their communities and in touch with their families, a worthwhile dimension is added to their lives and they are thus spared the anxieties naturally attached to separation. All of these factors have also been shown to reflect tangible benefits upon the mentally retarded, severely handicapped or disadvantaged person by improving his overall well-being.

Sec. 2. Section 8, chapter 118, Laws of 1967, as amended by section 46, chapter 8, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 28.10.080 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The state agency may purchase, from any source, by contract, vocational rehabilitation services for handicapped persons, payments for such services to be made subject to procedures and fiscal controls approved by the budget director. The performance of and payment for such services shall be subject to post audit review by the state auditor.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this 1969 amendatory act, when the division determines that a mentally retarded, severely handicapped, or disadvantaged person can reasonably be expected to benefit from, or in his best interests reasonably requires extended sheltered em-

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ployment or supervised work furnished by an approved nonprofit organization, the division is authorized to contract with such organization for the furnishing of such sheltered employment or supervised work to such mentally retarded, severely handicapped, or disadvantaged person. The division is authorized to expend for or toward the cost of providing such sheltered employment or supervised work a sum or sums not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars per annum for each such mentally retarded, severely handicapped, or disadvantaged person in order to maintain him as a contributing and self-supporting member of society as an alternative to

dependency.

(3) The determination of eligibility for such service shall be made for each individual by the division. The mentally retarded, severely handicapped and disadvantaged individuals served under this law shall be construed to be poor or infirm within the meaning of the term as used in the state Constitution.

(4) The division shall maintain a register of nonprofit organizations which it has inspected and certified as meeting required standards and as qualifying to serve the needs of such mentally retarded, severely handicapped, or disadvantaged persons. Eligibility of such organizations to receive the funds hereinbefore specified shall be based upon standards and criteria promulgated by the division.

(5) The division of vocational rehabilitation, with the approval of the coordinating council for occupational education, is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary or proper to carry out the provisions of this section.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 8, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and to chapter 28.10 RCW a new section to read as follows:

"A disadvantaged person" as used in chapter 28.10 RCW shall mean a person who is disadvantaged in his ability to secure or maintain appropriate employment by reason of physical or mental disability, youth, advanced age, low educational attainment, ethnic or cultural factors, prison or delinquency records or any other condition, especially in association with poverty and deprivation which constitutes a barrier to such employment.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. It is further provided that any federal funds available may be used to supplement this act.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. 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 106 [Substitute House Bill No. 140] PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICTS

AN ACT Relating to public utility districts; amending section 4, chapter 1, Laws of 1931 as last amended by section 9, chapter 265, Laws of 1959 and RCW 54.12.010; adding new sections to chapter 1, Laws of 1931 and to chapter 54.08 RCW; amending section 4, chapter 207, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 1, chapter 161, Laws of 1967 and RCW 54.12.080; amending section 2, chapter 390, Laws of 1955 and RCW 54.16.010; amending section 10, chapter 390, Laws of 1955 and RCW 54.16.090; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Section 1. Section 4, chapter 1, Laws of 1931 as last amended by section 9, chapter 265, Laws of 1959 and RCW 54.12.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Within ((five)) ten days after such election, the election board of the county shall canvass the returns, and if at such election a majority of the voters voting upon such proposition shall vote in favor of the formation of such district, the election board shall so declare in its canvass of the returns of such election and such public utility district shall then be and become a municipal corporation of the state of Washington, and the name of such public utility dis-