

CHAPTER 89
[Senate Bill No. 629]
HIGHWAYS--
EMERGENCY PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

AN ACT Relating to emergency protection and restoration of highways;
and adding a new section to chapter 47.28 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 47.28 RCW
a new section to read as follows:

(1) Whenever the state highway commission finds that as a consequence of accident, natural disaster, or other emergency, an existing state highway is in jeopardy or is rendered impassible in one or both directions and the commission further finds that prompt reconstruction, repair, or other work is needed to preserve or restore the highway for public travel, the highway commission may authorize the department of highways to obtain at least three written bids for the work without publishing a call for bids and to award a contract forthwith to the lowest responsible bidder.

The department of highways shall notify any association or organization of contractors filing a request to regularly receive notification. Notification to an association or organization of contractors shall include: (a) The location of the work to be done; (b) the general anticipated nature of the work to be done; and (c) the date determined by the department as reasonable in view of the nature of the work and emergent nature of the problem after which the department will not receive bids.

(2) Whenever the state highway commission finds it necessary to protect a highway facility from imminent damage or to perform emergency work to reopen a highway facility, the highway commission may authorize the department of highways to contract for such work on a negotiated basis not to exceed force account rates for a period not to exceed thirty working days.

(3) When the engineer's estimate of the cost of work authorized in either subsections (1) or (2) of this section is less than one hundred thousand dollars, the director of highways may make findings as provided hereinabove and pursuant thereto the department of highways may award contracts as authorized by this section.

(4) Any person, firm, or corporation awarded a contract for work must be prequalified pursuant to RCW 47.28.070 and may be required to furnish a bid deposit or performance bond.

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CHAPTER 90

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 858]

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES--

DISPOSITION OF LANDS

IN COWLITZ AND MASON COUNTIES

AN ACT Relating to the exchange and transfer of certain lands under the jurisdiction of the department of natural resources.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The department of natural resources is authorized, with the advice and approval of the state board of natural resources, to exchange any lands acquired pursuant to RCW 76.12.030 located in Cowlitz county for lands of equal value owned by the International Paper Company which are adjacent to Seaquest State Park in Cowlitz county. In the event of such exchange the lands acquired by the state shall be held and administered in the same manner as were the lands exchanged therefor.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The department of natural resources shall have the authority to deed the Mason County Cemetery District No. 1 an area not to exceed one acre of state forest lands utilized for cemetery purposes located in section 30, township 23 north, range 1 west, Willamette Meridian, Mason county.

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CHAPTER 91

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 124]

MOTOR VEHICLES--

DISPOSITION OF REVENUES--

STATE PATROL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT ABOLISHED

AN ACT Relating to the disposition of vehicle license fees; disposition of motor vehicle driver's license fees; abolishing the state patrol highway account and providing for disposition of funds therein and moneys payable thereto; amending section