

remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Filed in Office of Secretary of State June 12, 1973.

Passed by a vote of the people at the state general election held on November 6, 1973.  
Proclamation declaring the measure effective law signed by the Governor on December 6, 1973.

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CHAPTER 150  
[ Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3023 ]  
APPROPRIATION OF WATER  
FOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS—  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT EXEMPTION

AN ACT Relating to irrigation; and adding a new section to chapter 43.21C RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 43.21C RCW a new section to read as follows:

Decisions pertaining to applications for appropriation of fifty cubic feet of water per second or less for irrigation projects promulgated by any person, private firm, private corporation or private association without resort to subsidy by either state or federal government pursuant to RCW 90.03.250 through 90.03.340, as now or hereafter amended, to be used for agricultural irrigation shall not be subject to the requirements of RCW 43.21C.030 (2) (c), as now or hereafter amended.

Passed the Senate January 29, 1974.  
Passed the House February 7, 1974.  
Vetoed by the Governor February 15, 1974.  
Veto overridden by Senate April 17, 1974.  
Veto overridden by House April 19, 1974.  
Filed in Office of Secretary of State April 22, 1974.  
Note: Governor's explanation of veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith without my approval Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3023 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to irrigation."

This bill exempts from the requirement of RCW 43.210.030 relating to the filing of environmental impact statements those decisions pertaining to certain applications for irrigation waters of fifty cubic feet per second or less, an amount which would be sufficient to irrigate up to 3,000 and 4,000 acres of farm land.

The bill represents the first time the Legislature has provided a direct exemption to the environmental impact statement requirement of the State Environmental Policy Act of 1971. I do not believe the exemption can be justified in light of the scope of the irrigation project involved.

I further do not believe that the problems caused by the State Environmental Policy Act should be remedied by the Legislature on a piecemeal basis.

At the outset of the Third Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, I submitted by Executive Request concurrently in the House and Senate, House Bill 1545 and Senate Bill 3310 providing for revisions in the State Environmental Policy Act which would alleviate some of the unwarranted difficulties caused by the act by simplifying some of the procedural requirements for proposals which do not have a substantial impact on the environment. I believe the Legislature should enact this proposal or a similar proposal which would equitably address the problems of all concerned while retaining the integrity of the State Environmental Policy Act.

For the foregoing reasons, I have determined to veto Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3023."

Note: Secretary of the Senate's letter informing the Secretary of State that the Legislature has overridden the Governor's veto is as follows:

Honorable A. Ludlow Kramer  
Secretary of State  
Legislative Building  
Olympia, Washington 98504

Dear Mr. Kramer:

I am transmitting herewith Senate Bill No. 3023, which was passed notwithstanding the veto of the Governor, by the Senate by a vote of 37 Yeas and 9 Nays on April 17, 1974; and by the House of Representatives by a vote of 79 Yeas and 17 Nays on April 19, 1974.

Done at Olympia, Washington,  
this 19th day of April, 1974.

SID SNYDER  
Secretary of the Senate

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CHAPTER 151

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3039]

PARKS AND STATE LANDS—  
TELEVISION STATION LEASES

AN ACT Relating to parks and state lands; and adding a new section to chapter 39, Laws of 1953 and to chapter 43.51 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 39, Laws of 1953 and to chapter 43.51 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The commission shall determine the fair market value for television station leases based upon independent appraisals and existing leases for television stations shall be extended at said fair market rental for at least one period of not more than twenty years: PROVIDED, That the rates in said leases shall be renegotiated at five year intervals: PROVIDED FURTHER, That said stations shall permit the attachment of antennae of publicly operated broadcast and microwave stations where electronically practical to combine the towers: PROVIDED FURTHER, That notwithstanding any term to the contrary in any lease, this section shall not preclude the commission from prescribing new and reasonable lease terms relating to the