

either in the state hospitals or in community-based care; and, information on the status of the expenditure of funds appropriated in this 1979 act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 20. There is appropriated from the general fund to the department of social and health services for the 1979-81 biennium, the sum of four million five hundred twenty-three thousand dollars, of which two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars is to be from federal funds, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, to carry out the purposes of this 1979 act which include funding two hundred thirty-eight staff years: PROVIDED, That these funds and staff years shall be held in allotment reserve by the office of financial management and allotted upon receipt of adequate justification for the sole purposes of meeting the requirements of this 1979 act.

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CHAPTER 216

[Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 2794]

WATER AND WATER RIGHTS—APPROPRIATIONS

AN ACT Relating to water and water rights; amending section 16, chapter 117, Laws of 1917 as last amended by section 2, chapter 357, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 90.03.130; amending section 21, chapter 117, Laws of 1917 as last amended by section 3, chapter 122, Laws of 1929 and RCW 90.03.180; amending section 16, chapter 233, Laws of 1967 and RCW 90.14.160; amending section 20, chapter 233, Laws of 1967 and RCW 90.14.200; adding new sections to chapter 90.03 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 90.14 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 90.54 RCW; making appropriations; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 90.03 RCW a new section as follows:

Rights subject to determination proceedings conducted under RCW 90.03.110 through 90.03.240 and 90.44.220 include all rights to the use of water, including all diversionary and instream water rights, and include rights to the use of water claimed by the United States.

Nothing in this section may be construed as establishing or creating any new rights to the use of water. This section relates exclusively to the confirmation of water rights established or created under other provisions of state law or under federal laws.

Sec. 2. Section 16, chapter 117, Laws of 1917 as last amended by section 2, chapter 357, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 90.03.130 are each amended to read as follows:

Service of said summons shall be made in the same manner and with the same force and effect as service of summons in civil actions commenced in

the superior courts of the state: PROVIDED, That for good cause, the court, at the request of the supervisor, as an alternative to personal service, may authorize service of summons to be made by certified mail, with ~~((acknowledgment of))~~ return receipt ~~((of summons executed))~~ signed by defendant ~~((required, as an alternative to personal service))~~, a spouse of a defendant, or another person authorized to accept service. If the defendants, or either of them, cannot be found within the state of Washington, of which the return of the sheriff of the county in which the proceeding is pending shall be prima facie evidence, upon the filing of an affidavit by the supervisor of water resources, or his attorney, in conformity with the statute relative to the service of summons by publication in civil actions, such service may be made by publication in a newspaper of general circulation ~~((printed and published at the county seat of))~~ in the county in which such proceeding is pending, and also publication of said summons in a newspaper ~~((published at the county seat))~~ of general circulation in each county in which any portion of the water is situated, once a week for six consecutive weeks (six publications)~~((before the return day thereof))~~. In cases where personal service can be had, such summons shall be served at least twenty days before the return day thereof. The summons by publication shall state that statements of claim must be filed within twenty days after the last publication or before the return date, whichever is later.

Personal service of summons may be made by department of ecology employees for actions pertaining to water rights.

Sec. 3. Section 21, chapter 117, Laws of 1917 as last amended by section 3, chapter 122, Laws of 1929 and RCW 90.03.180 are each amended to read as follows:

At the time of filing the statement as provided in RCW 90.03.140, each defendant shall pay to the clerk of the superior court a fee of ~~((one))~~ twenty-five dollars. The supervisor of water resources shall keep a record of the expenses incurred by him in the determination of the rights on any stream, including the proportionate share of the expense of his office, such expense to date from the filing of a petition or the institution of any investigation as provided in RCW 90.03.110. Immediately upon receipt of a decree of the superior court determining the rights of parties as provided in RCW 90.03-.200, the supervisor shall prepare and file in the superior court a statement of such expense, showing the total expense of the determination and apportioning one-half of such expense to the various rights. And where ~~((such))~~ the expense subject to apportionment does not exceed five dollars for each water right, as determined by the court, it shall be divided equally between such rights. If such expense exceeds five dollars for each water right, such allottee shall pay five dollars plus a share of the amount remaining, which shall be equitably apportioned to the various irrigation and other consumptive rights in such proportion as the quantity of water allotted to each right bears to the total amount of water awarded taking into account priorities of

the various rights, and to nonconsumptive rights on such basis as the supervisor may determine to be equitable. Such records shall be subject to audit by the bureau of inspection and supervision of public offices as are other accounts of state offices. The amount of ~~((such))~~ the expense apportioned to each ~~((diverter))~~ user shall be paid by such ~~((diverter))~~ user before he shall be entitled to receive a certificate of diversion from the supervisor.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 90.14 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) Notwithstanding any time restrictions imposed by the provisions of chapter 90.14 RCW, a person may file a claim pursuant to RCW 90.14.041 if such person obtains a certification from the pollution control hearings board as provided in this section.

(2) A certification shall be issued by the pollution control hearings board if, upon petition to the board, it is shown to the satisfaction of the board that:

(a) Waters of the state have been applied to beneficial use continuously (with no period of nonuse exceeding five consecutive years) in the case of surface water beginning not later than June 7, 1917, and in the case of ground water beginning not later than June 7, 1945, or

(b) Waters of the state have been applied to beneficial use continuously (with no period of nonuse exceeding five consecutive years) from the date of entry of a court decree confirming a water right and any failure to register a claim resulted from a reasonable misinterpretation of the requirements as they related to such court decreed rights.

(3) The board shall have jurisdiction to accept petitions for certification from any person through December 31, 1979, and not thereafter.

(4) A petition for certification shall include complete information on the claim pursuant to RCW 90.14.051 (1) through (8), and any such information as the board may require.

(5) The department of ecology is directed to accept for filing any claim certified by the board as provided in subsection (2) of this section. The department of ecology, upon request of the board, may provide assistance to the board pertinent to any certification petition.

(6) A certification by the pollution control hearings board or a filing with the department of ecology of a claim under this section shall not constitute a determination or confirmation that a water right exists.

(7) The provisions of RCW 90.14.071 shall have no applicability to certified claims filed pursuant to this section.

(8) This section shall have no applicability to ground waters resulting from the operations of reclamation projects.

Sec. 5. Section 16, chapter 233, Laws of 1967 and RCW 90.14.160 are each amended to read as follows:

Any person entitled to divert or withdraw waters of the state through any appropriation authorized by enactments of the legislature prior to enactment of chapter 117, Laws of 1917, or by custom, or by general adjudication, who abandons the same, or who voluntarily fails, without sufficient cause, to beneficially use all or any part of said right to divert or withdraw for any period of five successive years after the effective date of this act, shall relinquish such right or portion thereof, and said right or portion thereof shall revert to the state, and the waters affected by said right shall become available for appropriation in accordance with RCW 90.03.250; PROVIDED, That such rights to use waters reverted under this section or under RCW 90.14.170 and 90.14.180, which were last exercised for a beneficial use subsequent to June 30, 1979, shall, if a minimum flow or level established by the department of ecology is in effect at the time when a determination of the reversion made either by the department or a court becomes final, be applied to meet such minimum flow or level with a priority of the original date of the reverted right before becoming otherwise available for appropriation for other beneficial uses under RCW 90.03.250 through 90.03.340.

Sec. 6. Section 20, chapter 233, Laws of 1967 and RCW 90.14.200 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) All matters relating to the implementation and enforcement of this chapter by the department of ecology shall be carried out in accordance with chapter 34.04 RCW as it now exists or hereafter shall be amended except where the provisions of this chapter expressly conflict herewith. Proceedings held pursuant to RCW 90.14.130 hereof are "contested cases" within the meaning of chapter 34.04 RCW. Final decisions of the department of ecology in these proceedings are subject to review in accordance with chapter 43.21B RCW.

(2) RCW 90.14.130 provides nonexclusive procedures for determining a relinquishment of water rights under RCW 90.14.160, 90.14.170, and 90.14.180. RCW 90.14.160, 90.14.170, and 90.14.180 may be applied in, among other proceedings, general adjudication proceedings initiated under RCW 90.03.110 or 90.44.220: PROVIDED, That nothing herein shall apply to litigation involving determinations of the department of ecology under RCW 90.03.290 relating to the impairment of existing rights.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. There is added to chapter 90.03 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The establishment of reservations of water for agriculture, hydroelectric energy, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial uses under RCW 90.54.050(1) or minimum flows or levels under RCW 90.22.010 or 90.54.040 shall constitute appropriations within the meaning of this chapter with priority dates as of the effective dates of their establishment. Whenever an application for a permit to make beneficial use of public waters embodied in a reservation, established after the effective date of this act, is filed with the

department of ecology after the effective date of such reservation, the priority date for a permit issued pursuant to an approval by the department of ecology of the application shall be the effective date of the reservation.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. There is added to chapter 90.03 RCW a new section to read as follows:

It is the policy of the state to promote the use of the public waters in a fashion which provides for obtaining maximum net benefits arising from both diversionary uses of the state's public waters and the retention of waters within streams and lakes in sufficient quantity and quality to protect instream and natural values and rights. Consistent with this policy, the state supports economically feasible and environmentally sound development of physical facilities through the concerted efforts of the state with the United States, public corporations, Indian tribes, or other public or private entities. Further, based on the tenet of water law which precludes wasteful practices in the exercise of rights to the use of waters, the department of ecology shall reduce these practices to the maximum extent practicable, taking into account sound principles of water management and the most effective use of public and private funds, and, when appropriate, to work to that end in concert with the agencies of the United States and other public and private entities.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. There is added to chapter 90.54 RCW a new section to read as follows:

When feasible, the department of ecology shall cooperate with the United States and other public entities, including Indian tribes, in the planning, development, and operation of comprehensive water supply projects designed primarily to resolve controversies and conflicts over water use by increasing water quantity and improving water quality within a stream or river system, or other bodies of water, as well as to enhance opportunities for both instream and diversionary water uses within the system, and, in relation thereto, the department may:

- (1) Participate with the federal government and other public entities in the planning, development, operation, and management of various phases of water projects hereafter authorized by congress;
- (2) Provide rights to the use of public waters under the state's surface and ground water codes for these projects when the waters are available for allocation; and
- (3) Provide financial assistance through grants and loans for projects when moneys are made available to the department for this assistance by other provisions of this code.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. There is appropriated to the department of ecology from the general fund for the biennium ending June 30, 1981, the sum of forty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the purposes of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. There is appropriated to the state conservation commission from the general fund for the biennium ending June 30, 1981, the sum of fifty-nine thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to provide moneys to conservation districts for studies and pilot projects relating to water resources aspects of their administration.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. Section 2 of 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.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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CHAPTER 217

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RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS—PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION

AN ACT Relating to education; amending section 72.01.200, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 and RCW 72.01.200; amending section 72.05.010, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 177, chapter 141, Laws of 1979 and RCW 72.05.010; amending section 72.05.130, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 179, chapter 141, Laws of 1979 and RCW 72.05.130; amending section 72.05.140, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 180, chapter 141, Laws of 1979 and RCW 72.05.140; amending section 72.20.040, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 as last amended by section 229, chapter 141, Laws of 1979 and RCW 72.20.040; amending section 4, chapter 18, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. as amended by section 235, chapter 141, Laws of 1979 and RCW 72.30.040; amending section 72.33.040, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 as last amended by section 62, chapter 80, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 72.33.040; amending section 72.33.050, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 and RCW 72.33.050; creating new sections; adding new sections to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28A.58 RCW; repealing section 72.16.070, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 and RCW 72.16.070; repealing section 72.20.080, chapter 28, Laws of 1959, section 231, chapter 141, Laws of 1979 and RCW 72.20.080; and providing an effective date.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The term "residential school" as used in sections 2 through 8 of this amendatory act, each as now or hereafter amended, shall mean Green Hill school, Maple Lane school, Naselle Youth Camp, Cedar Creek Youth Camp, Mission Creek Youth Camp, Echo Glen, Cascadia Diagnostic Center, Lakeland Village, Rainier school, Yakima Valley school, Interlake school, Fircrest school, Francis Haddon Morgan Center, the Child Study and Treatment Center and Secondary School of Western State Hospital, and such other schools, camps, and centers as are now or hereafter established by the department of social and health services