

Section 1. Section 7, chapter 106, Laws of 1979 and RCW 30.40.060 are each amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding any provision of RCW 30.40.020, a bank which on June 7, 1979, is operating in the central business district of a city having a population of forty-five thousand or more a branch banking office which includes a drive-in facility, both of which are operated as a single branch office although they are physically divided by a city street, may, if a major redevelopment project for upgrading the central business district pursuant to a redevelopment plan is adopted or approved by a duly constituted municipal planning body or other appropriate governmental authority and concurred in by the supervisor of banking, petition the supervisor of banking for the relocation of the branch office or drive-in facility to a location within such redevelopment project not in excess of eight hundred feet from the former location of the branch office, and such branch office may retain and operate the single drive-in facility (~~(at its existing location)~~) as a separate facility: PROVIDED, That such drive-in facility shall be limited to the customary paying and receiving functions, shall not be considered as a branch in and of itself, and shall not engage in any other banking business: PROVIDED FURTHER, That any action sought to be taken pursuant to the authority of this section, whether by a national bank or a state-chartered bank, shall be subject, in its entirety, to the prior approval of the supervisor of banking, who shall base his approval or disapproval of such action upon the protection of public and private funds and the public safety and welfare.

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CHAPTER 10

[Substitute House Bill No. 1496]

INSURANCE COVERAGE CONVERSION RIGHTS

AN ACT Relating to insurance coverage conversion rights; adding a new section to chapter 48.20 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.44 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 48.46 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 48.20 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Every policy of disability insurance issued, amended, or renewed after the effective date of this act for an individual and his/her dependents shall contain provisions to assure that the covered spouse and/or dependents, in the event that any cease to be a qualified family member by reason of termination of marriage or death of the principal insured, shall have the right

to continue the policy coverage without a physical examination, statement of health, or other proof of insurability.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 48.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any policy of group disability insurance issued, amended, or renewed after the effective date of this act for employees or members and their dependents shall contain provisions granting the employee or member, in the event of termination of employment or membership, the right to convert to a coverage normally offered by the group disability insurer to such employees leaving a group. The policy shall include in the conversion provisions the same conversion rights and conditions to a covered spouse and/or dependents of the employee or member in the event the covered spouse and/or dependent cease to be a family member by reason of termination of marriage or death of the employee or member. The conversion rights shall not require a physical examination, a statement of health, or other proof of insurability.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 48.44 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any health care service plan issued, amended, or renewed after the effective date of this act for employees or members and their dependents shall contain provisions granting the employee or member, in the event of termination of employment or membership, the right to convert to a coverage normally offered by the health care service contractor to such employees leaving a group. The plan shall include in the conversion provisions the same conversion rights and conditions to a covered spouse and/or dependents of the employee or member in the event the covered spouse and/or dependent ceases to be a qualified family member by reason of termination of marriage or death of the employee or member. The conversion rights shall not require a physical examination, a statement of health, or other proof of insurability.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 48.46 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any group health care service plan issued, amended, or renewed after the effective date of this act, for employees or members and their dependents shall contain provisions granting the employee or member, in the event of termination of employment or membership, the right to convert to a coverage normally offered by the health maintenance organization to such employees leaving a group. The plan shall include in the conversion provisions the same conversion rights and conditions to a covered spouse and/or dependents of the employee or member in the event the covered spouse and/or dependents ceases to be a qualified family member by reason of termination of marriage or death of the employee or member. The conversion

rights shall not require a physical examination, a statement of health, or other proof of insurability.

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CHAPTER 11

[House Bill No. 1524]

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT SALARY SURVEYS

AN ACT Relating to public employment salary surveys; amending section 16, chapter 1, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 58, chapter 151, Laws of 1979 and RCW 41.06.160; amending section 5, chapter 152, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. as amended by section 60, chapter 151, Laws of 1979 and RCW 41.06.167; and amending section 11, chapter 36, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 16, chapter 151, Laws of 1979 and RCW 28B.16.110.

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

Section 1. Section 16, chapter 1, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 58, chapter 151, Laws of 1979 and RCW 41.06.160 are each amended to read as follows:

In preparing classification and salary schedules as set forth in RCW 41.06.150 as now or hereafter amended the department of personnel shall give full consideration to prevailing rates in other public employment and in private employment in this state. For this purpose the department shall undertake salary and fringe benefit surveys to be planned and conducted on a joint basis with the higher education personnel board, with ~~((one))~~ such surveys to be conducted ~~((each))~~ at least in the year prior to the convening of each one hundred five day regular session of the state legislature. The results of each salary and fringe benefit survey shall be forwarded with a recommended state salary schedule to the governor and director of financial management for their use in preparing budgets to be submitted to the succeeding legislature. A copy of the data and supporting documentation shall be furnished by the department of personnel to the standing committees for appropriations of the senate and house of representatives.

The department shall furnish the following supplementary data in support of its recommended salary schedule:

(1) A total dollar figure which reflects the recommended increase or decrease in state salaries as a direct result of the specific salary and fringe benefit survey that has been conducted and which is categorized to indicate what portion of the increase or decrease is represented by salary survey data and what portion is represented by fringe benefit survey data;

(2) An additional total dollar figure which reflects the impact of recommended increases or decreases to state salaries based on other factors rather than directly on prevailing rate data obtained through the survey process