

Any person or persons, firm or corporation, or the agent of any person or persons, firm or corporation, who denies or interferes with admittance to or enjoyment of the public facilities enumerated in RCW 70.84.010, or otherwise interferes with the rights of a totally or partially blind or hearing impaired person as set forth in RCW 70.84.010 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 8. Section 9, chapter 141, Laws of 1969 and RCW 70.84.080 are each amended to read as follows:

In accordance with the policy set forth in RCW 70.84.010, the blind, the visually handicapped, the hearing impaired, and the otherwise physically disabled shall be employed in the state service, in the service of the political subdivisions of the state, in the public schools, and in all other employment supported in whole or in part by public funds on the same terms and conditions as the able-bodied, unless it is shown that the particular disability prevents the performance of the work involved.

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CHAPTER 110

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3422]

PORT DISTRICTS—INTERMODAL CARGO MOVEMENT, WATERCRAFT OPERATING AUTHORITY

AN ACT Relating to port districts; providing for facilities by port districts for the movement of freight and passengers; adding new sections to chapter 53.08 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The purpose of this act is to:

(1) Clarify existing law as to the authority of port districts to perform certain cargo movement activities and to contract for or otherwise provide facilities for rail service for the movement of such cargo; and

(2) Provide authority for port districts to assist in development of the recreation-tourism industry by acquiring and operating certain watercraft in limited areas.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 53.08 RCW a new section to read as follows:

In addition to the other powers under this chapter, a port district, in connection with the operation of facilities and improvements of the district, may perform all necessary activities related to the intermodal movement of interstate and foreign cargo: PROVIDED, That nothing contained herein

shall authorize a port district to engage in the transportation of commodities by motor vehicle for compensation outside the boundaries of the port district. A port district may, by itself or in conjunction with public or private entities, acquire, construct, purchase, lease, contract for, provide, and operate rail services, equipment, and facilities: PROVIDED, That no port district shall engage in the manufacture of rail cars for use off port property.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 53.08 RCW a new section to read as follows:

A port district may acquire, lease, construct, purchase, maintain, and operate passenger carrying vessels on interstate navigable rivers of the state and intrastate waters of adjoining states. Service provided shall be under terms, conditions, and rates to be fixed and approved by the port commission. Operation of such vessels shall be subject to applicable state and federal laws pertaining to such service.

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CHAPTER 111

[Senate Bill No. 3474]

LANDOWNERS' LIABILITY—INJURIES TO FIREWOOD CUTTERS

AN ACT Relating to natural resources; and amending section 2, chapter 216, Laws of 1967 as last amended by section 1, chapter 53, Laws of 1979 and RCW 4.24.210.

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

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 216, Laws of 1967 as last amended by section 1, chapter 53, Laws of 1979 and RCW 4.24.210 are each amended to read as follows:

Any public or private landowners or others in lawful possession and control of any lands whether rural or urban, or water areas or channels and lands adjacent to such areas or channels, who allow members of the public to use them for the purposes of outdoor recreation, which term includes, but is not limited to, the cutting, gathering, and removing of firewood by private persons for their personal use without purchasing the firewood from the landowner, hunting, fishing, camping, picnicking, swimming, hiking, bicycling, the riding of horses or other animals, clam digging, pleasure driving of off-road vehicles, snowmobiles, and other vehicles, boating, nature study, winter or water sports, viewing or enjoying historical, archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites, without charging a fee of any kind therefor, shall not be liable for unintentional injuries to such users: PROVIDED, That any public or private landowner, or others in lawful possession and control of the land,