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CHAPTER 117

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3595] PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES—SALE APPROVAL—GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASERS

AN ACT Relating to public utilities; and amending section 80.12.020, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 and RCW 80.12.020.

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

Section 1. Section 80.12.020, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 and RCW 80-.12.020 are each amended to read as follows:

No public service company shall sell, lease, assign or otherwise dispose of the whole or any part of its franchises, properties or facilities whatsoever, which are necessary or useful in the performance of its duties to the public, and no public service company shall, by any means whatsoever, directly or indirectly, merge or consolidate any of its franchises, properties or facilities with any other public service company, without having secured from the commission an order authorizing it so to do: PROVIDED, That this section shall not apply to any sale, lease, assignment or other disposal of such franchises, properties or facilities to a ((public utility district)) special purpose district as defined in RCW 36.96.010, city, county, or town.

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CHAPTER 118

[Senate Bill No. 3626] FOREST PRACTICES APPEALS BOARD—TERMINATION DATE

AN ACT Relating to the forest practices appeals board; adding a new section to chapter 76.09 RCW; repealing section 3, chapter 99, Laws of 1979 and RCW 43.131.153; repealing section 45, chapter 99, Laws of 1979 and RCW 43.131.154; and declaring an emergency.

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 1. There is added to chapter 76.09 RCW a new section to read as follows: