necessary, for the veterans service section of the employment security department to conduct employer awareness seminars to insure private employer knowledge and support for veterans' employment programs. These seminars shall be coordinated with the department of veterans affairs. At least one seminar shall have direct impact upon incarcerated veterans.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. 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 July 1, 1981.

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CHAPTER 160

[Substitute House Bill No. 484]
COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS (911)——
TELEPHONE ACCESS LINE EXCISE TAX

AN ACT Relating to the funding of emergency telephone networks; and adding a new chapter to Title 82 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The legislature finds that counties should be provided with an additional revenue source to fund emergency service communication systems on a county-wide basis. The legislature further finds that the most efficient and appropriate method of deriving additional revenue for this purpose is to vest the legislative authorities of the counties, subject to voter approval, with the power to impose an excise tax on the use of telephone access lines.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Emergency services communication system" means a county-wide radio or landline communications network, 911 telephone system, which provides rapid public access for coordinated dispatching of services, personnel, equipment, and facilities for police, fire, medical, or other emergency services.
- (2) "Telephone access line" means the telephone service line which connects a subscriber's main telephone(s) or equivalent main telephone(s) to the telephone company's switching office.
- (3) "Telephone company" has the meaning ascribed to it in RCW 80.04.010.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. The legislative authority of a county may impose an excise tax on the use of telephone access lines in an amount not exceeding fifty cents per month for each telephone access line. The amount of

tax shall be uniform for each telephone access line. This tax must be approved by a favorable vote of at least three-fifths of the electors thereof voting on the proposition, at which election the number of persons voting "yes" on the proposition shall constitute three-fifths of a number equal to forty per centum of the total votes cast in the county at the last preceding general election when the number of electors voting on the proposition does not exceed forty per centum of the total votes cast in the county in the last preceding general election; or by a majority of at least three-fifths of the electors thereof voting on the proposition when the number of electors voting on the proposition exceeds forty per centum of the total votes cast in the county in the last preceding general election. This tax may be imposed for six years without subsequent voter approval. At any election held under this section, the ballot title of the proposition shall state the maximum monthly rate of the proposed tax which may be imposed by the county legislative authority. The actual rate of tax to be imposed shall be set by ordinance, which rate shall not exceed the maximum monthly rate approved by the electors.

No tax may be imposed under this section for more than one year before the expected implementation date of an emergency services communication system. The power granted under this section is in addition to any other authority which counties have to fund emergency services communication systems.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. Sec. 4. A county imposing a tax under this chapter shall require collection of the tax from the user by the telephone company providing the access line. The telephone company shall state the amount of the tax separately on the billing statement which is sent to the user.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. The proceeds of any tax collected under this chapter shall be used by the county only for the emergency services communication system.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A county legislative authority imposing a tax under this chapter shall establish by ordinance all necessary and appropriate procedures for the administration and collection of the tax, which ordinance shall provide for reimbursement to the telephone companies for actual costs of administration and collection of the tax imposed. The ordinance shall also provide that the due date for remittance of the tax collected shall be thirty days following the collection month.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 7. 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.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 8. Sections 1 through 6 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 82 RCW.

Passed the House April 25, 1981.
Passed the Senate April 24, 1981.
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CHAPTER 161

[House Bill No. 493] DEEDS OF TRUST

AN ACT Relating to real property and deeds of trust; amending section 1, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 1, chapter 129, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 61.24-.010; amending section 2, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 2, chapter 129, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 61.24.020; amending section 4, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 4, chapter 129, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 61.24.040; amending section 7, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 and RCW 61.24.070; amending section 8, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 3, chapter 30, Laws of 1967 and RCW 61.24.080; amending section 9, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as last amended by section 5, chapter 129, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 61.24.090; amending section 11, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 and RCW 61.24.110; and amending section 13, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 6, chapter 129, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 61.24.130.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 1, chapter 129, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 61.24.010 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The terms "record" and "recorded" as used in this chapter, shall include the appropriate registration proceedings, in the instance of registered land.
 - (2) The trustee of a deed of trust under this chapter shall be:
- (a) Any domestic corporation ((or association authorized to engage in a trust business in this state)) incorporated under Title 23A, 30, 31, 32, or 33 RCW; or
- (b) Any title insurance company authorized to insure title to real property under the laws of this state, or its agents; or
- (c) Any attorney who is an active member of the Washington state bar association at the time he is named trustee((:)); or
 - (d) Any agency or instrumentality of the United States government; or
- (e) Any national bank, savings bank, or savings and loan association chartered under the laws of the United States.
- (3) ((In the event of the death, incapacity or disability, or resignation of the trustee, the beneficiary may)) The trustee shall resign at the request of the beneficiary and may resign at its own election. Upon the resignation, incapacity, disability, or death of the trustee, the beneficiary shall nominate in writing a successor trustee. Upon recording in the mortgage records of