director or in any instance where the contract price does not exceed ((one)) two thousand five hundred dollars.

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CHAPTER 105

[Senate Bill No. 4602] SEWER AND WATER DISTRICTS——STREET LIGHTING SYSTEMS, ESTABLISHMENT OF

AN ACT Relating to street lighting systems; amending section 1, chapter 68, Laws of 1941 and RCW 57.08.060; adding a new section to chapter 56.08 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 68, Laws of 1941 and RCW 57.08.060 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In addition to the powers ((now)) given water districts by law, they shall also have power to acquire, construct, maintain, operate, and develop street lighting systems ((in the same manner as provided by law for the doing thereof in connection with water supply systems)).

(2) To establish a street lighting system, the board of water commissioners shall adopt a resolution proposing a street lighting system and delineating the boundaries of the area to be served by the proposed street lighting system. The board shall conduct a public hearing on the resolution to create a street lighting system. Notice of the hearing shall be published at least once each week for two consecutive weeks in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the area to be served by the proposed street lighting system. Following the hearing, the board may by resolution establish the street lighting system.

(3) A street lighting system shall not be established if, within ninety days following the decision of the board, a petition opposing the street lighting system is filed with the board and contains the signatures of at least forty percent of the voters registered in the area to be served by the proposed system.

(4) The water district has the same powers of collection for delinquent street lighting charges as the water district has for collection of delinquent water service charges.

(5) Any street lighting system established by a water district prior to the effective date of this 1982 act is declared to be legal and valid.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 56.08 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) In addition to the powers given sewer districts by law, they also have power to acquire, construct, maintain, operate, and develop street lighting systems.

(2) To establish a street lighting system, the board of sewer commissioners shall adopt a resolution proposing a street lighting system and delineating the boundaries of the area to be served by the proposed street lighting system. The board shall conduct a public hearing on the resolution to create a street lighting system. Notice of the hearing shall be published at least once each week for two consecutive weeks in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the area to be served by the proposed street lighting system. Following the hearing, the board may by resolution establish the street lighting system.

(3) A street lighting system shall not be established if, within ninety days following the decision of the board, a petition opposing the street lighting system is filed with the board and contains the signatures of at least forty percent of the voters registered in the area to be served by the proposed system.

(4) The sewer district has the same powers of collection for delinquent street lighting charges as the sewer district has for collection of delinquent sewer service charges.

(5) Any street lighting system established by a sewer district prior to the effective date of this act is declared to be legal and valid.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. 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.

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CHAPTER 106

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 4551] COMMISSION ON EQUIPMENT—MEMBERS' DESIGNEES—VICE-CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENT—DUTIES OF SECRETARY

AN ACT Relating to the state commission on equipment; and amending section 46.37.005, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 56, chapter 145, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 46.37.005.

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

Section 1. Section 46.37.005, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 56, chapter 145, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 46.37.005 are each amended to read as follows: