traffic infractions as maintained by the department of licensing of any person whose record brings him or her within the definition of an habitual offender, as defined in RCW 46.65.020, to the hearing officer appointed in the event a hearing is requested. Such transcript or abstract may be admitted as evidence in any hearing or court proceeding and shall be prima facie evidence that the person named therein was duly convicted by the court wherein such conviction or holding was made of each offense shown by such transcript or abstract; and if such person ((shall deny)) denies any of the facts as stated therein, he or she shall have the burden of proving that such fact is untrue.

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## CHAPTER 210

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 3124]
HEALTH CARE FACILITIES AUTHORITY—MEMBERSHIP—DUTIES

AN ACT Relating to Washington health care facilities authority; amending section 3, chapter 147, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. as amended by section 157, chapter 34, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 70.37.030; amending section 5, chapter 147, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 121, Laws of 1981 and RCW 70.37.050; amending section 2, chapter 147, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 70.37.020; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 3, chapter 147, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. as amended by section 157, chapter 34, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 70.37-.030 are each amended to read as follows:

There is hereby established a public body corporate and politic, with perpetual corporate succession, to be known as the Washington health care facilities authority. The authority shall constitute a political subdivision of the state established as an instrumentality exercising essential governmental functions. The authority is a "public body" within the meaning of RCW 39.53.010, as now or hereafter amended. The authority shall consist of the governor who shall serve as chairman, the lieutenant governor, the insurance commissioner, the chairman of the Washington state hospital commission, and one member of the public who shall be appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate, ((for terms of four years each)) on the basis of ((their)) the member's interest or expertise in health care delivery, ((the first appointees to be appointed for terms expiring on the second and fourth March 1st, respectively, following enactment of this chapter)) for a term expiring on the fourth anniversary of the date of appointment. In the event that any of the offices referred to shall be abolished the resulting vacancy on the authority shall be filled by the officer who shall

succeed substantially to the powers and duties thereof. The members of the authority shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement, solely from the funds of the authority, for travel expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties under this chapter, subject to the provisions of RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 as now existing or hereafter amended. A majority shall constitute a quorum.

The governor may designate an employee of the governor's office to act on behalf of the governor during the absence of the governor at one or more of the meetings of the authority. The vote of the designee shall have the same effect as if cast by the governor if the designation is in writing and is presented to the person presiding at the meetings included within the designation.

The governor may designate a member to preside during the governor's absence.

Sec. 2. Section 5, chapter 147, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 121, Laws of 1981 and RCW 70.37.050 are each amended to read as follows:

The authority shall establish rules concerning its exercise of the powers authorized by this chapter. The authority shall receive from applicants requests for the providing of bonds for financing of health care facilities and shall investigate and determine the need and the feasibility of providing such bonds. Whenever the authority deems it necessary or advisable for the benefit of the public health to provide financing for a health care facility, it shall adopt a ((system and)) financing plan therefor and shall declare the estimated cost thereof, as near as may be, including as part of such cost funds necessary for the expenses incurred in the financing as well as in the construction or purchase or other acquisition or in connection with the rental or other payment for the use thereof, interest during construction. reserve funds and any funds necessary for initial start-up costs, and shall issue and sell its bonds for the purposes of carrying out the proposed financing plan ((or system)): PROVIDED, That if a certificate of need is required for the proposed project, no such financing plan ((and system)) shall be adopted until such certificate has been issued pursuant to chapter 70.38 RCW by the secretary of the department of social and health services. The authority shall have power as a part of such ((system or)) plan to create a special fund or funds for the purpose of defraying the cost of such project and for other projects of the same participant subsequently or at the same time approved by it and for their maintenance, improvement, reconstruction, remodeling and rehabilitation, into which special fund or funds it shall obligate and bind the participant to set aside and pay from the gross revenues of the project or from other sources an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the bonds being issued, reserves and other requirements of the special fund and to issue and sell bonds payable as to both

principal and interest out of such fund or funds relating to the project or projects of such participant.

Such bonds shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times, be in such denominations, be in such form, either coupon or registered, or both, carry such registration privileges, be made transferable, exchangeable, and interchangeable, be payable in such medium of payment, at such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption, bear such fixed or variable rate or rates of interest, and be sold in such manner, at such price, as the authority shall determine. Such bonds shall be executed by the chairman, by either its duly elected secretary or its executive director, and by the trustee if the authority determines to utilize a trustee for the bonds. Execution of the bonds may be by manual or facsimile signature: PROVIDED, That at least one signature placed thereon shall be manually subscribed. Any interest coupons appurtenant to the bonds shall be executed by facsimile or manual signature or signatures, as the authority shall determine.

Sec. 3. Section 2, chapter 147, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 70.37-.020 are each amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter, the following words and terms have the following meanings, unless the context indicates or requires another or different meaning or intent and the singular of any term shall encompass the plural and the plural the singular unless the context indicates otherwise:

- (1) "Authority" means the Washington health care facilities authority created by RCW 70.37.030 or any board, body, commission, department or officer succeeding to the principal functions thereof or to whom the powers conferred upon the authority shall be given by law.
- (2) "Bonds" mean bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the authority issued pursuant hereto.
- (3) "Health care facility" means any land, structure, system, machinery, equipment or other real or personal property or appurtenances useful for or associated with delivery of inpatient or outpatient health care service or support for such care or any combination thereof which is operated or undertaken in connection with hospital, clinic, health maintenance organization, diagnostic or treatment center, extended care facility, or any facility providing or designed to provide therapeutic, convalescent or preventive health care services, excluding, however, any facility which is maintained by a participant primarily for rental or lease to self-employed health care professionals or as an independent nursing home or other facility primarily offering domiciliary care.
- (4) "Participant" means any city, county or other municipal corporation or agency or political subdivision of the state or any corporation, hospital, or health maintenance organization authorized by law to operate nonprofit health care facilities, or any affiliate, as defined by regulations promulgated by the director of the department of licensing pursuant to RCW 21.20.450,

which is a nonprofit corporation acting for the benefit of any entity described in this subsection.

(5) "Project" means a specific health care facility or any conbination of health care facilities, constructed, purchased, acquired, leased, used, owned or operated by a participant, and alterations, additions to, renovations, enlargements, betterments and reconstructions thereof.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. 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 211

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 3127]
INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE—DISTRIBUTION OF AWARD OR SETTLEMENT RECOVERED BY SELF-INSURER OR DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES

AN ACT Relating to industrial insurance; amending section 3, chapter 85, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 51.24.050; amending section 4, chapter 85, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 51.24.060; and creating a new section.

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

- Sec. 1. Section 3, chapter 85, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 51.24-.050 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) An election not to proceed against the third person operates as an assignment of the cause of action to the department or self-insurer, which may prosecute or compromise the action in its discretion in the name of the injured worker, beneficiary or legal representative.
- (2) ((The injured worker or beneficiary shall be entitled to the remaining balance of)) Any award or settlement recovered by the department or self-insurer ((after deduction of the following amounts)) shall be distributed as follows:
- (a) The <u>department or self-insurer shall be paid the</u> expenses incurred in making the recovery including reasonable costs of legal services; ((and))
- (b) The injured worker or beneficiary shall be paid twenty-five percent of the balance of the award or settlement, which shall not be subject to subsection (3) of this section: PROVIDED, That in the event of a compromise and settlement by the parties, the injured worker or beneficiary may agree to a sum less than twenty-five percent;