

CHAPTER 1

[Substitute House Bill No. 1778]

BRITISH COLUMBIA AND WASHINGTON MUNICIPALITY HYDROELECTRIC FACILITIES WATERSHED AGREEMENT—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

AN ACT Relating to carrying out a treaty between the United States of America and Canada; authorizing implementing agreements between Washington municipalities and the Province of British Columbia for enhancing recreational opportunities and protecting environmental resources in the watersheds of rivers that form reservoirs which extend across the international boundary; providing for an endowment fund and an administering commission and for the commission's power and authority; adding new sections to chapter 35.21 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. There is added to chapter 35.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

To carry out a treaty between the United States of America and Canada, a city that maintains hydroelectric facilities with a reservoir which extends across the international boundary, may enter into an agreement with the Province of British Columbia for enhancing recreational opportunities and protecting environmental resources of the watershed of the river or rivers which forms the reservoir. The agreement may provide for establishment of and payments into an environmental endowment fund and establishment of an administering commission to implement the purpose of the treaty and the agreement.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 35.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

A commission, established by an agreement between a Washington municipality and the Province of British Columbia to carry out a treaty between the United States of America and Canada as authorized in section 1 of this act, shall be public and shall have all powers and capacity necessary and appropriate for the purposes of performing its functions under the agreement, including, but not limited to, the following powers and capacity: To acquire and dispose of real property other than by condemnation; to enter into contracts; to sue and be sued in either Canada or the United States; to establish an endowment fund in either or both the United States and Canada and to invest the endowment fund in either or both countries; to solicit, accept, and use donations, grants, bequests, or devises intended for furthering the functions of the endowment; to adopt such rules or procedures as it deems desirable for performing its functions; to engage advisors and consultants; to establish committees and subcommittees; to adopt rules for its governance; to enter into agreements with public and private entities; and to engage in activities necessary and appropriate for implementing the agreement and the treaty.

The endowment fund and commission may not be subject to state or local taxation. A commission, so established, may not be subject to statutes and laws governing Washington cities and municipalities in the conduct of its internal affairs: PROVIDED, That all commission members appointed by the municipality shall comply with chapter 42.22 RCW, and: PROVIDED FURTHER, That all commission meetings held within the state of Washington shall be held in compliance with chapter 42.30 RCW. All obligations or liabilities incurred by the commission shall be satisfied exclusively from its own assets and insurance.

NEW SECTION. 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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Passed the Senate January 26, 1984.

Approved by the Governor January 26, 1984.

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CHAPTER 2

[Substitute House Bill No. 1200]

SUPPLEMENTAL TRANSPORTATION BUDGET—PROGRAMS A, B, D, AND W—FIRE SAFETY IN THE TRANSPORTATION BUILDING—MARINE PROGRAM—MARINE EMPLOYEES COMMISSION—PERSONNEL STUDY OF EXEMPT POSITIONS

AN ACT Relating to transportation; amending section 14, chapter 53, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. (uncodified); amending section 17, chapter 53, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. (uncodified); amending section 21, chapter 53, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. (uncodified); amending section 22, chapter 53, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. (uncodified); amending section 95, chapter 76, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. (uncodified); making appropriations; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 14, chapter 53, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT—PROGRAM D
Motor Vehicle Fund Appropriation—State \$ ((19,621,769))
20,421,769

The appropriation in this section is provided for the improvement and construction of buildings and other highway plant construction, for management and support of the highway construction programs, and for administrative support necessary to support cities and counties in obtaining federal aid. (~~(\$1,600,000 of the appropriation is contingent on the enactment of Substitute House Bill No. 235 during the 1983 session of the legislature.)~~) \$800,000 of the appropriation is for costs associated with the