means of the senate, the committee on appropriations of the house of representatives and to the legislative budget committee six months before the beginning of each periodic survey. The legislative budget committee shall review and evaluate the survey plan before final implementation.

The first comprehensive salary and fringe benefit survey required by this section shall be completed and forwarded to the governor and the director of financial management by September 30, 1986. The first trend salary and fringe benefit survey required by this section shall be completed and forwarded to the governor and the director of financial management by September 30, 1988.

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CHAPTER 95

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 3536]

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT POWER CLARIFIED REGARDING COMPREHENSIVE PLANS, ZONING, LAND USE, AND BUILDING CODES

AN ACT Relating to public utility districts; and amending RCW 54.04.120.

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

Sec. 1. Section 4, chapter 130, Laws of 1945 and RCW 54.04.120 are each amended to read as follows:

In order that the commissioners of a public utility district may be better able to plan for the marketing of power and for the development of resources pertaining thereto, they shall have the same powers as are vested in a board of county commissioners as provided in chapter 44, Laws of 1935 (sections 9322-2 to 9322-4, both inclusive, and 9322-10 to 9322-11 inclusive, Remington's Revised Statutes, also Pierce's Perpetual Code 776-3 to -7, 776-19 and -21), entitled: "An Act relating to city, town, county and regional planning and the creation, organization, duties and powers of planning commissions." For the purposes of such act, the president of a public utility district shall have the powers of the chairman of the board of county commissioners, and a planning commission created hereunder shall have the same powers, enumerated in the above sections, with reference to a public utility district as a county planning commission has with reference to a county. However, this section shall not be construed to grant the power to

adopt, regulate, or enforce comprehensive plans, zoning, land use, or building codes.

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CHAPTER 96

[Senate Bill No. 3624]

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT—RESTRICTIONS ON ELIGIBLE PERSONNEL CONCERNING POLITICAL ACTIVITY REMOVED

AN ACT Relating to appointments by the commissioner of the department of employment security; and amending RCW 50.12.020.

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

Sec. 1. Section 41, chapter 35, Laws of 1945 as amended by section 2, chapter 158, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 50.12.020 are each amended to read as follows:

The commissioner is authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of such officers, accountants, experts, and other personnel as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this title: PROVIDED, That such appointment shall be made on a nonpartisan merit basis in accordance with the provisions of this title relating to the selection of personnel. The commissioner may delegate to any person appointed such power and authority as ((he)) the commissioner deems reasonable and proper for the effective administration of this title, including the right to decide matters placed in ((his)) the commissioner's discretion under this title, and may in his or her discretion bond any person handling moneys or signing checks hereunder.

((The commissioner shall not appoint or employ any person who is an officer or committee member of any political party organization or who holds or is a candidate for any partisan elective public office:))

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CHAPTER 97

[Substitute House Bill No. 389]
BLIND PERSONS—BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM——PUBLIC BUILDING
DEFINITION CLARIFIED——INVESTMENT EARNINGS——ACCOUNT
SPECIFIED

AN ACT Relating to the business enterprise program; and amending RCW 74.18.200 and 74.18.230.