

(d) The combined facility has an installed capacity in excess of five megawatts.

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, submission to the voters shall be necessary to make extensions to a public utility which would expand the previous service capacity by fifty percent or more, where such increased service capacity is financed by the issuance of general obligation bonds.

(4) Thirty days' notice of the election shall be given in the official newspaper ((doing)) of the city or town ((printing)), by publication at least once each week in the paper during such time.

(5) When a proposition has been adopted, or in the cases where no submission is necessary, the corporate authorities of the city or town may proceed forthwith to purchase, construct, and acquire the public utility or make additions, betterments, and extensions thereto and to make payment therefor.

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## CHAPTER 146

[House Bill No. 406]

### COMMITTEE, BOARD, OR COMMISSION MEMBERS WHO BELONG TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM PLAN I—SERVICE CREDIT REVISED

AN ACT Relating to retirement service credit for members of committees, boards, and commissions; amending RCW 41.40.165; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 4, chapter 34, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. as amended by section 17, chapter 295, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 41.40.165 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) No person appointed to membership on any committee, board, or commission on or after July 1, 1976, who is compensated for service on such committee, board, or commission for ((less)) fewer than ten days or seventy hours in any month, whichever amount is less, shall receive service credit for such service for that month: PROVIDED, That on and after October 1, 1977, appointive and elective officials who receive monthly compensation earnable from an employer in an amount equal to or less than ninety times the state minimum hourly wage shall not receive any service credit for such employment.

(2) This section does not apply to any person serving on a committee, board, or commission on June 30, 1976, who continued such service until subsequently appointed by the governor to a different committee, board, or commission.

**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 immediately.

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## CHAPTER 147

[Second Substitute House Bill No. 257]

### GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP TRUST FUND PROGRAM

AN ACT Relating to fellowships for graduate students; and adding new sections to chapter 28B.10 RCW.

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

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 1. The legislature recognizes that quality in the state's public four-year institutions of higher education would be strengthened by additional partnerships between citizens and the institutions. The legislature intends to foster these partnerships by creating a matching grant program to assist public four-year institutions of higher education in creating endowments for funding fellowships for distinguished graduate students.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 2. The Washington graduate fellowship trust fund program is established. The program shall be administered by the higher education coordinating board. The trust fund shall be administered by the state treasurer.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 3. Funds appropriated by the legislature for the graduate fellowship program shall be deposited in the graduate fellowship trust fund. All moneys deposited in the fund shall be invested by the state treasurer. Notwithstanding RCW 43.84.090, all earnings of investments of balances in the fund shall be credited to the fund. At the request of the higher education coordinating board under section 5 of this act, the treasurer shall release the state matching funds to the designated institution's local endowment fund. No appropriation is required for expenditures from the fund.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 4. In consultation with eligible institutions of higher education, the higher education coordinating board shall set guidelines for the program. These guidelines may include an allocation system based on factors which include but are not limited to: The amount of money available in the trust fund; characteristics of the institutions including the size of the faculty and student body; and the number of fellowships previously received.