

The study shall also address the appropriateness of exempt status from the state civil service laws for the state ombudsman in consideration of the office's statutory responsibilities and the nature and importance of its mission.

This report, with recommendations shall be submitted to the legislature no later than December 1, 1987.

Sec. 3. Section 6, chapter 290, Laws of 1983 and RCW 43.190.060 are each amended to read as follows:

A long-term care ombudsman shall:

(1) Investigate and resolve complaints made by or on behalf of older individuals who are residents of long-term care facilities relating to administrative action which may adversely affect the health, safety, welfare, and rights of these individuals;

(2) Monitor the development and implementation of federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, and policies with respect to long-term care facilities in this state;

(3) Provide information as appropriate to public agencies regarding the problems of individuals residing in long-term care facilities; and

(4) Provide for training volunteers and promoting the development of citizen organizations to participate in the ombudsman program. (~~Volunteers shall not be used for complaint investigation or problem resolution activities authorized in subsection (1) of this section.~~) A volunteer long-term care ombudsman shall be able to identify and resolve problems regarding the care of residents in long-term care facilities and to assist such residents in the assertion of their civil and human rights. However, volunteers shall not be used for complaint investigations but may engage in fact-finding activities to determine whether a formal complaint should be submitted to the department.

NEW SECTION. 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 159

[Substitute House Bill No. 55]

SUSTAINABLE HARVEST OF TIMBER MODIFIED

AN ACT Relating to the sustainable harvest of timber from state-owned lands; amending RCW 79.68.040; adding new sections to chapter 79.68 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. Adequately funding construction of the state's educational facilities represents one of the highest priority uses of state-owned lands. Many existing facilities need replacement and many additional facilities will be needed by the year 2000 to house students entering the educational system. The sale of timber from state-owned lands plays a key role in supporting the construction of school facilities. Currently and in the future, demands for school construction funds are expected to exceed available revenues.

The department of natural resources sells timber on a sustained yield basis. Since 1980, purchasers defaulted on sales contracts affecting over one billion one hundred million board feet of timber. Between 1981 and 1983, the department sold six hundred million board feet of timber less than the sustainable harvest level. As a consequence of the two actions, the department entered their 1984-1993 planning decade with a timber sale arrearage which could be sold without adversely affecting the continued productivity of the state-owned forests.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Arrearage" means the summation of the annual sustainable harvest timber volume since July 1, 1979, less the sum of state timber sales contract default volume and the state timber sales volume deficit since July 1, 1979.

(2) "Default" means the volume of timber remaining when a contractor fails to meet the terms of the sales contract on the completion date of the contract or any extension thereof and timber returned to the state under RCW 79.01.1335.

(3) "Deficit" means the summation of the difference between the department's annual planned sales program volume and the actual timber volume sold.

(4) "Planning decade" means the ten-year period covered in the forest land management plan adopted by the board of natural resources.

(5) "Sustainable harvest level" means the volume of timber scheduled for sale from state-owned lands during a planning decade as calculated by the department of natural resources and approved by the board of natural resources.

Sec. 3. Section 4, chapter 234, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 79-68.040 are each amended to read as follows:

The department of natural resources shall manage the state-owned lands under its jurisdiction which are primarily valuable for the purpose of growing forest crops on a sustained yield basis insofar as compatible with

other statutory directives. To this end, the department shall periodically adjust the acreages designated for inclusion in the sustained yield management program and calculate a sustainable harvest level.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. If an arrearage exists at the end of any planning decade, the department shall conduct an analysis of alternatives to determine the course of action regarding the arrearage which provides the greatest return to the trusts based upon economic conditions then existing and forecast, as well as impacts on the environment of harvesting the additional timber. The department shall offer for sale the arrearage in addition to the sustainable harvest level adopted by the board of natural resources for the next planning decade if the analysis determined doing so will provide the greatest return to the trusts.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Sections 2 and 4 of this act are each added to chapter 79.68 RCW.

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Passed the Senate April 8, 1987.

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CHAPTER 160

[Substitute House Bill No. 1004]

CHIROPRACTIC DISCIPLINARY BOARD REAUTHORIZED

AN ACT Relating to reauthorizing the chiropractic disciplinary board; adding new sections to chapter 43.131 RCW; repealing RCW 43.131.295, 43.131.296, 18.26.010, 18.26.020, 18.26.028, 18.26.030, 18.26.040, 18.26.050, 18.26.060, 18.26.070, 18.26.080, 18.26.090, 18.26.110, and 18.26.900; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:

- (1) Section 21, chapter 197, Laws of 1983 and RCW 43.131.295; and
- (2) Section 47, chapter 197, Laws of 1983 and RCW 43.131.296.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 43.131 RCW to read as follows:

The chiropractic disciplinary board and its powers and duties shall be terminated on June 30, 1997, as provided in section 3 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 43.131 RCW to read as follows:

The following acts or parts of acts, as now existing or hereafter amended, are each repealed, effective June 30, 1998:

- (1) Section 1, chapter 171, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.26.010;
- (2) Section 2, chapter 171, Laws of 1967 and RCW 18.26.020;
- (3) Section 22, chapter 259, Laws of 1986 and RCW 18.26.028;