

(7) Section 8, chapter 98, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 16.49.660.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 14. Sections 4 through 11 of this act are each added to chapter 16.49 RCW.

Passed the Senate February 20, 1987.

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## CHAPTER 78

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5740]

### FERRY SYSTEM EMPLOYEES—EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO INSURANCE AND HEALTH CARE PLANS

AN ACT Relating to employer contributions to insurance and health care plans for ferry system employees; amending 47.64.270; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 1. The legislature finds that the provisions of RCW 47.64.270 have been subject to misinterpretation. The objective of this act is to clarify the intent of RCW 47.64.270 as originally enacted.

Sec. 2. Section 18, chapter 15, Laws of 1983 and RCW 47.64.270 are each amended to read as follows:

Absent a collective bargaining agreement to the contrary, the department of transportation shall provide contributions to insurance and health care plans for ferry system employees and dependents, as determined by the state employees' insurance board, under chapter 41.05 RCW. The ferry system management and employee organizations may collectively bargain for other insurance and health care plans, and employer contributions may exceed that of other state agencies as provided in RCW 41.05.050, subject to RCW 47.64.180. ~~((However, after July 1, 1984, any amount by which the employer contribution for ferry system employees' and dependents' insurance and health care plans exceeds that provided for other state agencies shall reduce the funds available for compensation purposes, pursuant to RCW 47.64.180:))~~ To the extent that ferry employees by bargaining unit have absorbed the required offset of wage increases by the amount that the employer's contribution for employees' and dependents' insurance and health care plans exceeds that of other state general government employees in the 1985-87 fiscal biennium, employees shall not be required to absorb a further offset except to the extent the differential between employer contributions for those employees and all other state general government employees increases during any subsequent fiscal biennium. If such differential increases in the 1987-89 fiscal biennium or the 1985-87 offset by bargaining unit is insufficient to meet the required deduction, the amount available

for compensation shall be reduced by bargaining unit by the amount of such increase or the 1985-87 shortage in the required offset. Compensation shall include all wages and employee benefits.

**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 July 1, 1987.

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## CHAPTER 79

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 5761]

### ELECTRICAL APPARATUS

AN ACT Relating to the deletion from the Revised Code of Washington of rules 9, 19, and 30, and rule 6 (part), governing the running, placing, erecting, maintaining, or using of electrical apparatus; amending RCW 19.29.010.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 130, Laws of 1913 as amended by section 1, chapter 65, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 19.29.010 are each amended to read as follows:

It shall be unlawful from and after the passage of this chapter for any officer, agent, or employee of the state of Washington, or of any county, city or other political subdivision thereof, or for any other person, firm or corporation, or its officers, agents or employees, to run, place, erect, maintain, or use any electrical apparatus or construction, except as provided in the rules of this chapter.

Rule 1. No wire or cable, except the neutral, carrying a current of less than seven hundred fifty volts of electricity within the corporate limits of any city or town shall be run, placed, erected, maintained or used on any insulator the center of which is less than thirteen inches from the center line of any pole. And no such wire, except the neutral, shall be run past any pole to which it is not attached at a distance of less than thirteen inches from the center line thereof. This rule shall not apply to any wire or cable where the same is run from under ground and placed vertically on the pole; nor to any wire or cable where the same is attached to the top of the pole; nor to a pole top fixture as between it and the same pole; nor to any wire or cable between the points where the same is made to leave any pole or fixture thereon for the purpose of entering any building or other structure and the point of attachment to such building or structure; nor to any jumper wire or cable carrying a current or connected with a transformer or other appliance on