

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The department of ecology shall sell its ownership interest in the Prosser well at the Washington State University research center for fair market value, to accommodate the needs of all concerned parties for the 1988 irrigation season. The proceeds of the sale shall be deposited in the state emergency water project revolving account established under RCW 43.83B.300. The department of ecology shall, to the extent possible, work closely with the department of general administration under RCW 43.82.010 to expedite the sale of the Prosser well. As a prerequisite to sale, the parties who agree to purchase the Prosser well according to this section, shall agree to be bound by any existing agreements between the department of ecology and the Washington State University research center at Prosser regarding the operation and maintenance of the Prosser well. The parties agree that the sale of the department of ecology's interest in the Prosser well will require compliance with chapter 90.44 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars or as much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated from the emergency water projects revolving account to the department of ecology for the biennium ending June 30, 1989, for capital projects authorized under RCW 43.83B.300 to alleviate drought conditions. Expenditures of moneys appropriated under this section shall not exceed the amount of moneys deposited in the revolving account from the sale of the department of ecology's ownership interest in the well near Prosser under section 1 of this act.

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.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1988.

Passed the House March 6, 1988.

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## CHAPTER 138

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 6255]

### IDAHO—EXEMPTIONS FROM INTERSTATE TRIP PERMITS AUTHORIZED

AN ACT Relating to exemptions from interstate trip permits for commercial vehicles; adding a new section to chapter 81.80 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 81.80 RCW to read as follows:

The Washington utilities and transportation commission may enter into an agreement or arrangement with a duly authorized representative of the state of Idaho, for the purpose of granting to operators of commercial vehicles that are properly registered in the state of Idaho, the privilege of operating their vehicles in this state within a designated area near the border of their state without the need for registration as required by chapter 81.80 RCW if the state of Idaho grants a similar privilege to operators of commercial vehicles from this state. The initial designated area shall be limited to state route 195 from the Idaho border to Lewiston, and SR 12 from Lewiston to Clarkston. The utilities and transportation commission shall submit other proposed reciprocal agreements in designated border areas to the legislative transportation committee for approval.

**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 139

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 6357]

### CONTRACTORS—CLAIMS AGAINST BOND OR DEPOSIT

AN ACT Relating to contractors' bonds; and amending RCW 18.27.040.

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

Sec. 1. Section 4, chapter 77, Laws of 1963 as last amended by section 6, chapter 362, Laws of 1987 and RCW 18.27.040 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Each applicant shall, at the time of applying for or renewing a certificate of registration, file with the department a surety bond issued by a surety insurer who meets the requirements of chapter 48.28 RCW in a form acceptable to the department running to the state of Washington if a general contractor, in the sum of six thousand dollars; if a specialty contractor, in the sum of four thousand dollars, conditioned that the applicant will pay all persons performing labor, including employee benefits, for the contractor, will pay all taxes and contributions due to the state of Washington, and will pay all persons furnishing labor or material or renting or supplying equipment to the contractor and will pay all amounts that may be adjudged against the contractor by reason of negligent or improper work or breach of contract in the conduct of the contracting business. A change in the name of a business or a change in the type of business entity shall not impair a