

community college district in accordance with the provisions of sections 2 through 10 of this act on the effective date of this section.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 11. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 12. Section 2 of 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. The remainder of this act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

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## CHAPTER 78

[Substitute House Bill No. 1952]

### CONSERVATION CORPS MEMBERS—UPPER AGE REQUIREMENT MAY BE WAIVED FOR RESIDENTS WITH SENSORY OR MENTAL HANDICAP

AN ACT Relating to the conservation corps; and amending RCW 43.220.070.

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

Sec. 1. Section 48, chapter 266, Laws of 1986 and RCW 43.220.070 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Conservation corps members shall be unemployed residents of the state between eighteen and twenty-five years of age at the time of enrollment who are citizens or lawful permanent residents of the United States. The age requirements may be waived for corps leaders and specialists with special leadership or occupational skills; such members shall be given special responsibility for providing leadership, character development, and sense of community responsibility to the corps members, groups, and work crews to which they are assigned. The upper age requirement may be waived for residents who have a sensory or mental handicap. Special effort shall be made to recruit minority and disadvantaged youth who meet selection criteria of the conservation corps. Preference shall be given to youths residing in areas, both urban and rural, in which there exists substantial unemployment exceeding the state average unemployment rate.

(2) Corps members shall not be considered state employees. Other provisions of law relating to civil service, hours of work, rate of compensation, sick leave, unemployment compensation, state retirement plans, and vacation leave do not apply to the Washington conservation corps except for the crew leaders, who shall be project employees, and the administrative and supervisory personnel.

(3) Enrollment shall be for a period of six months which may be extended for an additional six months by mutual agreement of the corps and the corps member. Corps members shall be reimbursed at the minimum wage rate established by federal law: PROVIDED, That if agencies elect to run a residential program, the appropriate costs for room and board shall be deducted from the corps member's paycheck as provided in chapter 43.220 RCW.

(4) Corps members are to be available at all times for emergency response services coordinated through the department of community development or other public agency. Duties may include sandbagging and flood cleanup, search and rescue, and other functions in response to emergencies.

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## CHAPTER 79

[House Bill No. 1616]

### STATE TRUST LAND PURCHASE FOR PARKS AND RECREATION PURPOSES

AN ACT Relating to purchase of certain state trust lands for park and outdoor recreation purposes; amending RCW 43.51.270; and creating a new section.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. as last amended by section 1, chapter 466, Laws of 1987 and RCW 43.51.270 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The board of natural resources and the state parks and recreation commission shall negotiate a sale to the state parks and recreation commission, for park and outdoor recreation purposes, of the trust lands withdrawn as of August 9, 1971, pursuant to law for park purposes and included within the state parks listed in subsection (2) of this section: PROVIDED, That the sale shall be by contract with a pay-off period of not less than ten years, a price of eleven million twenty-four thousand seven hundred forty dollars or the fair market value, whichever is higher, for the land value, and interest not to exceed six percent. All fees collected by the commission beginning in the 1973-1975 biennium shall be applied to the purchase price of the trust lands listed in subsection (2) of this section; the acquisition of the property described in subsections (3) and (4) of this section, and all reasonable costs of acquisition, described in subsection (5) of this section; the renovation and redevelopment of state park structures and facilities to extend the original life expectancy or correct damage to the environment of state