

CHAPTER 61

[House Bill No. 198]

ADOPTION FEES--SUPPORT ACCOUNT

AN ACT Relating to adoptions; amending section 3, chapter 63, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 74.13.106; and amending section 16, chapter 63, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 74.13.142.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 63, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 74.13.106 are each amended to read as follows:

All fees paid for adoption services pursuant to RCW 26.32.115 and 74.13.100 through 74.13.145 during the 1971-1973 and 1973-1975 fiscal bienniums shall be credited to an adoption support account, hereby created, in the general fund. Expenses incurred in connection with supporting the adoption of hard to place children shall be paid by warrants drawn against such account. The secretary may also from time to time transfer to such account from appropriations available to him for care of children in foster homes and child-caring institutions such sums ((not to exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars during the 1974-1973 fiscal biennium)) as in his judgment will enable him to carry out a pilot project to demonstrate the value of a program of adoption support. In carrying out such pilot project the secretary is authorized to use the funds made available to him pursuant to RCW 26.32.115 and 74.13.100 through 74.13.145, or, in his discretion, any portion thereof, to formulate, approve, implement or otherwise act pursuant to RCW 74.08.390, to develop and set up a pilot adoption support project at such level as he deems appropriate, consistent with the purposes set forth in RCW 74.13.100. The secretary may develop and approve such a project whether formulated within or outside the department, and may for such purposes, contract with any public agency or licensed child placing agency and/or adoptive parent and is authorized to accept funds from other sources including federal, private and other public funding sources to carry out such project.

The secretary shall make a full report to the legislature during the 1973 and 1975 legislative sessions concerning such pilot project including an analysis by the secretary of any savings in foster care and institutional care for hard to place children realized and estimated to be realized in the future as a result of a program of adoption support of the kind provided for in RCW 26.32.115 and 74.13.100 through 74.13.145.

The secretary shall actively seek, where consistent with the policies and programs of the department, and shall make maximum use of, such federal funds as are or may be made available to the department for the purpose of supporting the adoption of hard to

place children. The secretary may, if permitted by federal law, deposit federal funds for adoption support, aid to adoptions, or subsidized adoption in the adoption support account of the general fund and may use such funds, subject to such limitations as may be imposed by federal law, to carry out the program of adoption support authorized by RCW 26.32.115 and 74.13.100 through 74.13.145.

The secretary may also deposit in such account and disburse therefrom all gifts and grants from any nonfederal source, including public and private foundations, which may be used for the program of adoption support authorized by RCW 26.32.115 and 74.13.100 through 74.13.145.

Sec. 2. Section 16, chapter 63, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 74.13.142 are each amended to read as follows:

The authority granted to the secretary in RCW 26.32.115 and 74.13.106 through 74.13.139 to provide adoption support to prospective parents who adopt hard to place children shall terminate on June 30, ((1973)) 1975 unless such authority is hereafter extended by law: PROVIDED, That payments shall be continued by the secretary subject to annual review as provided in RCW 26.32.115 and 74.13.106 through 74.13.139 for all hard to place children for whom adoption support agreements have been entered into by the secretary on or before June 30, ((1973)) 1975.

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CHAPTER 62
[House Bill No. 233]
HIGHER EDUCATION CODE--POWERS AND
DUTIES OF BOARD

AN ACT Relating to higher education; amending sections 28B.10.200 and 28B.10.250, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.10.200 and 28B.10.250; amending section 28B.10.510, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.10.510; amending section 19, chapter 222, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.10.822; amending section 20, chapter 222, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.10.824; amending section 14, chapter 215, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.16.230; amending section 28B.20.100, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.20.100; amending section 28B.20.412, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.20.412; amending section 28B.20.456, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW