

mediates in a particular appeal may, without the consent of the parties, participate in writing the proposed decision and order in the appeal: PROVIDED, That this shall not prevent an industrial appeals judge from issuing a proposed decision and order responsive to a motion for summary disposition or similar motion. This section shall not operate to prevent the board from developing additional methods and procedures to encourage resolution of disputes by agreement or otherwise making efforts to reduce adjudication time.

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CHAPTER 11

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 4635]

UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION—SPECIAL JURISDICTIONAL PROCEEDINGS

AN ACT Relating to special jurisdictional proceedings of the utilities and transportation commission; and adding a new section to chapter 80.04 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 80.04 RCW to read as follows:

Whether or not any person or corporation is conducting business subject to regulation under this title, or has performed or is performing any act requiring registration or approval of the commission without securing such registration or approval, shall be a question of fact to be determined by the commission. Whenever the commission believes that any person or corporation is engaged in any activity without first complying with the requirements of this title, it may institute a special proceeding requiring such person or corporation to appear before the commission at a location convenient for witnesses and the production of evidence and produce information, books, records, accounts, and other memoranda, and give testimony under oath as to the activities being conducted. The commission may consider any and all facts that may indicate the true nature and extent of the operations or acts and may subpoena such witnesses and documents as it deems necessary.

After investigation, the commission is authorized and directed to issue the necessary order or orders declaring the activities to be subject to, or not subject to, the provisions of this title. In the event the activities are found to be subject to the provisions of this title, the commission shall issue such orders as may be necessary to require all parties involved in the activities to comply with this title, and with respect to services found to be reasonably available from alternative sources, to issue orders to cease and desist from providing jurisdictional services pending full compliance.

In proceedings under this section, no person or corporation may be excused from testifying or from producing any information, book, document, paper, or account before the commission when ordered to do so, on the ground that the testimony or evidence, information, book, document, or account required may tend to incriminate him or her or subject him or her to penalty or forfeiture specified in this title; but no person or corporation may be prosecuted, punished, or subjected to any penalty or forfeiture specified in this title for or on account of any account, transaction, matter, or thing concerning which he or she shall under oath have testified or produced documentary evidence in proceedings under this section: PROVIDED, That no person so testifying may be exempt from prosecution or punishment for any perjury committed by him or her in such testimony: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the exemption from prosecution in this section extends only to violations of this title.

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CHAPTER 12

[Senate Bill No. 4528]

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE REPORTING—COMMISSION ORDERS

AN ACT Relating to public disclosure; and amending RCW 42.17.030, 42.17.090, and 42.17.405.

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

Sec. 1. Section 3, chapter 1, Laws of 1973 as last amended by section 2, chapter 367, Laws of 1985 and RCW 42.17.030 are each amended to read as follows:

~~((†))~~ The provisions of this chapter relating to the financing of election campaigns shall apply in all election campaigns other than ~~((†))~~ (1) for precinct committeeman; ~~((b))~~ (2) for a federal elective office; and ~~((c))~~ (3) for an office of a political subdivision of the state that does not encompass a whole county and that contains fewer than five thousand registered voters as of the date of the most recent general election in the subdivision, unless required by RCW 42.17.405(2) through (5).

~~((2))~~ The exemption in subsection (1)(c) of this section does not apply in any jurisdiction from which a "petition for disclosure" containing the valid signatures of fifteen percent of the number of registered voters, as of the date of the most recent general election in the jurisdiction, is filed with the commission. The commission shall prescribe by rule the form of the petition. After the signatures are gathered, the petition shall be presented to