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Any and all premiums or assessments as may arise hereunder pursuant to the provisions of Title 51 RCW shall be the obligation of and be paid from the institutional industries revolving fund.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 72.64 RCW a new section to read as follows:

From and after the effective date of this 1972 amendatory act, any inmate working in a department of natural resources adult honor camp established and operated pursuant to RCW 72.64.050, 72.64.060, and 72.64.100 shall be eligible for the benefits provided by Title 51 RCW, as now or hereafter amended, relating to industrial insurance, with the exceptions herein provided.

No inmate as herein described, until released upon an order of parole by the state board of prison terms and paroles, or discharged from custody upon expiration of sentence, or discharged from custody by order of a court of appropriate jurisdiction, or his dependents or beneficiaries, shall be entitled to any payment for temporary disability or permanent total disability as provided for in RCW 51.32.090 or 51.32.060 respectively, as now or hereafter enacted, or to the benefits of chapter 51.36 RCW relating to medical aid.

Any and all premiums or assessments as may arise under this section pursuant to the provisions of Title 51 RCW shall be the obligation of and be paid by the state department of natural resources.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. This act shall be effective July 1, 1973.

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CHAPTER 41

[House Bill No. 254]

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICTS--

PURCHASES, CONTRACTS, BID PROCEDURE

AN ACT Relating to public utility districts; and amending section 3, chapter 124, Laws of 1955 as amended by section 3, chapter 220, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 54.04.080.

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

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 124, Laws of 1955 as amended by section 3, chapter 220, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 54.04.080 are each amended to read as follows:

(The) Any notice inviting sealed bids shall state generally the work to be done, or the material to be purchased and shall call for proposals for furnishing it, to be sealed and filed with the commission on or before the time named therein. Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check, payable to the order of the commission, for a sum not less than five percent of the amount of the bid, or accompanied by a bid bond in an amount not less than five percent of the bid with a corporate surety licensed to do business in the state, conditioned that the bidder will pay the district as liquidated damages the amount specified in the bond unless he enters into a contract in accordance with his bid and furnishes the performance bond herein mentioned within ten days from the date on which he is notified that he is the successful bidder. At the time and place named, the bids shall be publicly opened and read, and the commission shall canvass the bids, and may let the contract to the lowest responsible bidder upon the plans and specifications on file, or to the best bidder submitting his own plans or specifications; or if the contract to be let is to construct or improve electrical facilities, the contract may be let to the lowest bidder prequalified according to the provisions of RCW 54.04.085 upon the plans and specifications on file, or to the best (~~prequalified~~) bidder submitting his own plans and specifications: PROVIDED, That no contract shall be let for more than fifteen percent in excess of the estimated cost of the materials or work. The commission may reject all bids and readvertise, and in such case all checks shall be returned to the bidders. The commission may procure materials in the open market, have its own personnel perform the work or negotiate a contract for such work to be performed by others, in lieu of readvertising, if it receives no bid. If the contract is let, all checks shall be returned to the bidders, except that of the successful bidder, which shall be retained until a contract is entered into and a bond to perform the work furnished, with sureties satisfactory to the commission, in an amount to be fixed by the commission, not less than twenty-five percent of the contract price, in accordance with the bid. If the bidder fails to enter into the contract and furnish the bond within ten days from the date at which he is notified that he is the successful bidder, his check and the amount thereof shall be forfeited to the district.

The commission shall, by resolution, define the term "same kind of materials, equipment, and supplies" with respect to purchase of items under the provisions of RCW 54.04.070.

The term "construction or improvement of any electrical facility" as used in this section and in RCW 54.04.085, shall mean the construction, the moving, maintenance, modification, or enlargement of facilities primarily used or to be used for the transmission or distribution of electricity at voltages above seven hundred fifty volts, including structures directly supporting transmission or distribution conductors but not including site preparation, housing, or protective fencing associated with but not included in a contract for such construction, moving, modification, maintenance, or enlargement of such facilities.

The commission shall be the final authority with regard to whether a bid is responsive to the call for bids and as to whether a bidder is a responsible bidder under the conditions of his bid. No award of contract shall be invalidated solely because of the failure of any prospective bidder to receive an invitation to bid.

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CHAPTER 42

[House Bill No. 266]

SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS--

LOANS FOR TRAINING OR EDUCATION EXPENSES

AN ACT Relating to savings and loan associations; and amending section 15, chapter 107, Laws of 1969 and RCW 33.24.290.

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

Section 1. Section 15, chapter 107, Laws of 1969 and RCW 33.24.290 are each amended to read as follows:

An association may, with or without security, make loans, advance credit, and purchase obligations representing loans and advances of credit (all of which are hereinafter referred to in this section as "loans") for the payment of expenses of vocational training, college or university education: PROVIDED, That ((no association shall have loans under this section, exclusive of any loan which is or which at the time of its making was otherwise authorized, aggregating at any one time more than five percent of its total assets.)) an association making a loan under this section may require a comaker or comakers, insurance, guaranty under a government student loan guarantee plan, or other protection against contingencies. The borrower shall certify to the association that the proceeds of the loan are to be used by a full time student solely