

support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 65

[House Bill No. 1693]

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE DISTRICTS—SERVICES FOR SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF OR SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

AN ACT Relating to authorizing educational service districts to contract with the school for the deaf and the school for the blind; and amending RCW 28A.21.010, 28A.21.086, and 28A.21.090.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 176, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 1, chapter 283, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.21.010 are each amended to read as follows:

It shall be the intent and purpose of this chapter to establish educational service districts as regional agencies which are intended to:

- (1) Provide cooperative and informational services to local school districts;
- (2) Assist the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education in the performance of their respective statutory or constitutional duties; and
- (3) Provide services to school districts and to the school for the deaf and the school for the blind to assure equal educational opportunities.

Sec. 2. Section 11, chapter 282, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. as last amended by section 3, chapter 508, Laws of 1987 and RCW 28A.21.086 are each amended to read as follows:

In addition to other powers and duties as provided by law, every educational service district board shall:

- (1) Comply with rules or regulations of the state board of education and the superintendent of public instruction.
- (2) If the district board deems necessary, establish and operate for the schools within the boundaries of the educational service district a depository and distribution center for films, tapes, charts, maps, and other instructional material as recommended by the school district superintendents within the service area of the educational service district: PROVIDED, That the district may also provide the services of the depository and distribution center to private schools within the district so long as such private schools pay such fees that reflect actual costs for services and the use of instructional materials as may be established by the educational service district board.

(3) Establish cooperative service programs for school districts within the educational service district and joint purchasing programs for schools within the educational service district pursuant to RCW 28A.58.107(3), as now or hereafter amended: PROVIDED, That on matters relating to cooperative service programs the board and superintendent of the educational service district shall seek the prior advice of the superintendents of local school districts within the educational service district.

(4) Establish direct student service programs for school districts within the educational service district including pupil transportation. However, for the provision of state-funded pupil transportation for special education cooperatives programs for special education conducted under chapter 28A.13 RCW, the educational service district, with the consent of the participating school districts, shall be entitled to receive directly state apportionment funds for that purpose: PROVIDED, That the board of directors and superintendent of a local school district request the educational service district to perform said service or services: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the educational service district board of directors and superintendents agree to provide the requested services: PROVIDED, FURTHER, That the provisions of chapter 39.34 RCW are strictly adhered to: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the educational service district board of directors may contract with the school for the deaf and the school for the blind to provide transportation services.

Sec. 3. Section 9, chapter 176, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 3, chapter 56, Laws of 1983 and RCW 28A.21.090 are each amended to read as follows:

In addition to other powers and duties as provided by law, every educational service district board shall:

(1) Approve the budgets of the educational service district in accordance with the procedures provided for in this chapter.

(2) Meet regularly according to the schedule adopted at the organization meeting and in special session upon the call of the chairman or a majority of the board.

(3) Approve the selection of educational service district personnel and clerical staff as provided in RCW 28A.21.100, as now or hereafter amended.

(4) Fix the amount of and approve the bonds for those educational service district employees designated by the board as being in need of bonding.

(5) Keep in the educational service district office a full and correct transcript of the boundaries of each school district within the educational service district.

(6) Acquire by purchase, lease, devise, bequest, and gift and otherwise contract for real and personal property necessary for the operation of the educational service district and to the execution of the duties of the board

and superintendent thereof and sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of that property not necessary for district purposes: PROVIDED, That no real property shall be acquired or alienated without the prior approval of the state board of education.

(7) Adopt such bylaws and rules and regulations for its own operation as it deems necessary or appropriate.

(8) Enter into contracts, including contracts with common and educational service districts and the school for the deaf and the school for the blind for the joint financing of cooperative service programs conducted pursuant to RCW 28A.21.086(3), and employ consultants and legal counsel relating to any of the duties, functions, and powers of the educational service districts.

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CHAPTER 66

[Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6742]

YAKIMA COUNTY—SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES

AN ACT Relating to superior court judges; amending RCW 2.08.063 and 2.32.180; and creating a new section.

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

Sec. 1. Section 5, chapter 125, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 1, chapter 49, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 2.08.063 are each amended to read as follows:

There shall be in the county of Lincoln one judge of the superior court; in the county of Skagit, two judges of the superior court; in the county of Walla Walla, two judges of the superior court; in the county of Whitman, one judge of the superior court; in the county of Yakima ((five)) six judges of the superior court; in the county of Adams, one judge of the superior court; in the county of Whatcom, three judges of the superior court.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The additional judicial position created by section 1 of this act in Yakima county shall be effective only if the county through its legislative authority documents its approval by January 1, 1990, of the additional position and its agreement that it will pay out of county funds, without reimbursement from the state, the expenses of the additional judicial position as provided by statute. The additional expenses include, but are not limited to, expenses incurred for court facilities.

Sec. 3. Section 1, chapter 126, Laws of 1913 as last amended by section 4, chapter 323, Laws of 1987 and RCW 2.32.180 are each amended to read as follows: