

(2) Examination as to ocean marine and related coverages may be waived by the commissioner as to any applicant deemed by the commissioner to be qualified by past experience to deal in such insurances.

(3) The commissioner shall prepare, or approve, and make available to insurers, general agents, brokers, agents, and applicants a printed manual specifying in general terms the subjects which may be covered in any examination for a particular license.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 48.17 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The commissioner may require insurance education providers to furnish specific information regarding their curricula, faculty, methods of monitoring attendance, and other matters reasonably related to providing insurance education under this chapter. The commissioner may grant approvals to such providers who demonstrate the ability to conduct and certify completion of one or more courses satisfying the insurance education requirements of RCW 48.17.150.

(2) In granting approvals for courses required by RCW 48.17.150(1)(d):

(a) The commissioner may require the availability of a licensed agent with appropriate experience on the premises whenever instruction is being offered; and

(b) The commissioner shall not deny approval to any provider on the grounds that the proposed method of education employs nontraditional teaching techniques, such as substituting taped lectures for live instruction, offering instruction without fixed schedules, or providing education at individual learning rates.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect July 1, 1989.

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CHAPTER 324

[Senate Bill No. 5536]

STATE EMPLOYEES' BENEFITS BOARD—MEMBERSHIP

AN ACT Relating to the state employees' benefits board; and amending RCW 41.05.055.

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

Sec. 1. Section 7, chapter 107, Laws of 1988 and RCW 41.05.055 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The state employees' benefits board is created within the authority. The function of the board is to design and approve insurance benefit plans for state employees.

(2) The board shall be composed of seven members appointed by the governor as follows:

(a) Three representatives of state employees, one of whom shall represent an employee association certified as exclusive representative of at least one bargaining unit of classified employees (~~and~~), one of whom shall represent an employee union certified as exclusive representative of at least one bargaining unit of classified employees, and one of whom is retired, is covered by a program under the jurisdiction of the board, and represents an organized group of retired public employees;

(b) Three members with experience in health benefit management and cost containment; and

(c) The administrator.

(3) The governor shall appoint the initial members of the board to staggered terms not to exceed four years. Members appointed thereafter shall serve two-year terms. Members of the board shall be compensated in accordance with RCW 43.03.250 and shall be reimbursed for their travel expenses while on official business in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. The board shall prescribe rules for the conduct of its business. The administrator shall serve as chair of the board. Meetings of the board shall be at the call of the chair.

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CHAPTER 325

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 5859]

WASHINGTON SCHOOL DIRECTORS' ASSOCIATION—POWERS AND DUTIES

AN ACT Relating to the Washington school directors' association; amending RCW 28A-.61.030 and 28A.61.900; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

Sec. 1. Section 28A.61.030, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 1, chapter 187, Laws of 1983 and RCW 28A.61.030 are each amended to read as follows:

The school directors' association shall have the power:

(1) To prepare and adopt, amend and repeal a constitution and rules and regulations, and bylaws for its own organization including county or