
SENATE BILL 5374

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By Senators Morton, Snyder, McDonald, Stevens and Rasmussen

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1 AN ACT Relating to funding for conservation districts to address
2 nonpoint source pollution water quality problems; reenacting and
3 amending RCW 70.146.060; providing an effective date; and declaring an
4 emergency.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.146.060 and 1987 c 527 s 1 and 1987 c 436 s 7 are
7 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

8 (1) During the period from July 1, ~~((1987))~~ 1997, until June 30,
9 ~~((1995))~~ 2007, the following limitation~~((s shall apply))~~ applies to the
10 department's total distribution of funds appropriated from the water
11 quality account:

12 ~~((1) Not more than fifty percent for water pollution control
13 facilities which discharge directly into marine waters;~~

14 ~~(2) Not more than twenty percent for water pollution control
15 activities that prevent or mitigate pollution of underground waters and
16 facilities that protect federally designated sole source aquifers with
17 at least two-thirds for the Spokane-Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer;~~

1 ~~(3) Not more than ten percent for water pollution control~~
2 ~~activities that protect freshwater lakes and rivers including but not~~
3 ~~limited to Lake Chelan and the Yakima and Columbia rivers;~~

4 ~~(4) Not more than ten percent for activities which control nonpoint~~
5 ~~source water pollution;~~

6 ~~(5) Ten percent and such sums as may be remaining from the~~
7 ~~categories specified in subsections (1) through (4) of this section for~~
8 ~~water pollution control activities or facilities as determined by the~~
9 ~~department; and~~

10 ~~(6) Two and one half percent of the total amounts of moneys under~~
11 ~~subsections (1) through (5) of this section from February 21, 1986,~~
12 ~~until December 31, 1995, shall be appropriated biennially)) Ten million~~
13 ~~dollars per biennium shall be distributed to the state conservation~~
14 ~~commission for distribution to conservation districts for the purposes~~
15 ~~of ((this chapter. Not less than ten percent of the moneys received by~~
16 ~~the state conservation commission under the provisions of this section~~
17 ~~shall be expended on research activities)) addressing nonpoint source~~
18 ~~pollution water quality problems. Bonds may not be issued for the~~
19 ~~purposes of this subsection.~~

20 ~~(2) The distribution under this section shall not be required to be~~
21 ~~met in any single fiscal year.~~

22 ~~(3) Funds provided for facilities and activities under this chapter~~
23 ~~may be used for payments to a service provider under a service~~
24 ~~agreement pursuant to RCW 70.150.060. If funds are to be used for such~~
25 ~~payments, the department may make periodic disbursements to a public~~
26 ~~body or may make a single lump sum disbursement. Disbursements of~~
27 ~~funds with respect to a facility owned or operated by a service~~
28 ~~provider shall be equivalent in value to disbursements that would~~
29 ~~otherwise be made if that facility were owned or operated by a public~~
30 ~~body. Payments under this chapter for waste disposal and management~~
31 ~~facilities made to public bodies entering into service agreements~~
32 ~~pursuant to RCW 70.150.060 shall not exceed amounts paid to public~~
33 ~~bodies not entering into service agreements.~~

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
35 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the

1 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
2 July 1, 1997.

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