

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1277**

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GEOHERMAL ACCOUNT EXTENSION

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Yeas 85 Nays 1

JOE KING  
**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

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Yeas 40 Nays 0

JOEL PRITCHARD  
**President of the Senate**

Approved May 9, 1991

BOOTH GARDNER  
**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1277** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

ALAN THOMPSON  
**Chief Clerk**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By Representatives Grant, May, H. Myers, Hochstatter, Paris and Jacobsen; by request of Washington State Energy Office.

Read first time January 25, 1991. Referred to Committee on Energy & Utilities.

1            AN ACT Relating to the geothermal account; amending RCW 43.140.900  
2 and 28A.515.320; and adding a new section to chapter 79.12 RCW.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.140.900 and 1981 c 158 s 8 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            This chapter shall terminate on June 30, (~~1991~~) 2001.

7            **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.515.320 and 1981 c 158 s 6 are each amended to  
8 read as follows:

9            The common school construction fund is to be used exclusively for  
10 the purpose of financing the construction of facilities for the common  
11 schools. The sources of said fund shall be: (1) Those proceeds  
12 derived from sale or appropriation of timber and other crops from  
13 school and state land subsequent to June 30, 1965, other than those  
14 granted for specific purposes; (2) the interest accruing on the

1 permanent common school fund from and after July 2, 1967, together with  
2 all rentals and other revenue derived therefrom and from land and other  
3 property devoted to the permanent common school fund from and after  
4 July 1, 1967; (3) all moneys received by the state from the United  
5 States under the provisions of section 191, Title 30, United State  
6 Code, Annotated, and under section 810, chapter 12, Title 16,  
7 (Conservation), United States Code, Annotated, except moneys received  
8 before June 30, (~~1991~~) 2001, and when thirty megawatts of geothermal  
9 power is certified as commercially available by the receiving utilities  
10 and the state energy office, eighty percent of such moneys, under the  
11 Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 pursuant to RCW 43.140.030; and (4) such  
12 other sources as the legislature may direct. That portion of the  
13 common school construction fund derived from interest on the permanent  
14 common school fund may be used to retire such bonds as may be  
15 authorized by law for the purpose of financing the construction of  
16 facilities for the common schools.

17 The interest accruing on the permanent common school fund together  
18 with all rentals and other revenues accruing thereto pursuant to  
19 subsection (2) of this section prior to July 1, 1967, shall be  
20 exclusively applied to the current use of the common schools.

21 To the extent that the moneys in the common school construction  
22 fund are in excess of the amount necessary to allow fulfillment of the  
23 purpose of said fund, the excess shall be available for deposit to the  
24 credit of the permanent common school fund or available for the current  
25 use of the common schools, as the legislature may direct. Any money  
26 from the common school construction fund which is made available for  
27 the current use of the common schools shall be restored to the fund by  
28 appropriation, including interest income foregone, before the end of  
29 the next fiscal biennium following such use.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 3.**    A new section is added to chapter 79.12 RCW  
2 to read as follows:

3        In an effort to increase potential revenue to the geothermal  
4 account, the department of natural resources shall, by December 1,  
5 1991, adopt rules providing guidelines and procedures for leasing  
6 state-owned land for the development of geothermal resources.

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