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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.92 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 It is the intent of the legislature that there be an effective
6 state geological survey that can produce essential information that
7 provides for the health, safety, and economic well-being of the
8 citizens.

9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.92.010 and 1988 c 127 s 28 are each amended to read
10 as follows:

11 There shall be a geological survey of the state (~~((which))~~) that
12 shall be under the direction of the commissioner of public lands who
13 shall have general charge of the survey, and shall appoint as
14 supervisor of the survey a geologist of established reputation, to be
15 known as the (~~((supervisor of geology))~~) state geologist.

16 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.92.020 and 1965 c 8 s 43.92.020 are each amended to
17 read as follows:

18 The geological survey shall have for its objects:

19 (1) An examination of the economic products of the state, (~~((viz))~~)
20 including: (~~((The))~~) Gold, silver, copper, lead, and iron ores, as well
21 as building stones, clays, coal, and all mineral substances of value;

22 (2) An examination and classification of (~~((the))~~) soils, and the
23 study of their adaptability to particular crops;

24 (3) An investigation and report upon the water supplies, artesian
25 wells, the water power of the state, gauging the streams, etc., with
26 reference to their application for irrigation and other purposes;

27 (4) An examination and report upon the occurrence of different road
28 building material;

1 (5) An examination of the physical features of the state with
2 reference to their practical bearing upon the occupations of the
3 people;

4 (6) The preparation of special geological and economic maps to
5 illustrate the resources of the state;

6 (7) The preparation of special reports with necessary illustrations
7 and maps, which shall embrace both the general and detailed description
8 of the geology and natural resources of the state~~((7))~~; and

9 (8) The consideration of ~~((such other kindred))~~ similar scientific
10 and economic questions ~~((as))~~ that, in the judgment of the ~~((director~~
11 ~~shall be))~~ state geologist, is deemed of value to the people of the
12 state.

13 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 43.92 RCW
14 to read as follows:

15 In addition to the objectives stated in RCW 43.92.020, the
16 geological survey must conduct and maintain an assessment of seismic,
17 landslide, and tsunami hazards in Washington. This assessment must
18 include the identification and mapping of volcanic, seismic, landslide,
19 and tsunami hazards, an estimation of potential consequences, and the
20 likelihood of occurrence. The maintenance of this assessment must
21 include technical assistance to state and local government agencies on
22 the proper interpretation and application of the results of this
23 assessment.

24 Sec. 5. RCW 43.92.040 and 1965 c 8 s 43.92.040 are each amended to
25 read as follows:

26 ~~((The))~~ Regular and special reports of the geological survey, with
27 proper illustrations and maps, shall be printed as ~~((the director may~~
28 ~~direct, and the))~~ directed by the state geologist. All reports shall
29 be distributed or sold by ~~((him))~~ the department of natural resources
30 as the interests of the state and of science demand~~((; and))~~. All
31 money obtained by the sale of reports under this section shall be paid
32 into the state treasury.

33 Sec. 6. RCW 43.92.060 and 1965 c 8 s 43.92.060 are each amended to
34 read as follows:

35 The ~~((director))~~ state geologist may make provisions for

1 topographic, geologic, and hydrographic surveys of the state in
2 cooperation with the United States geological survey in such manner as
3 in ~~((his))~~ the opinion of the state geologist will be of the greatest
4 benefit to the agricultural, industrial, and geological requirements of
5 the state(~~(:—PROVIDED, That)~~). However, the director of the United
6 States geological survey (~~(agrees)~~) must first agree to expend on the
7 part of the United States upon such surveys a sum equal to that
8 expended by the state.

9 **Sec. 7.** RCW 43.92.070 and 1965 c 8 s 43.92.070 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 In order to complete the topographic map of the state and for the
12 purpose of making more extensive stream measurements, and otherwise
13 investigating and determining the water supply of the state, the
14 (~~(director)~~) state geologist may enter into such agreements with the
15 director of the United States geological survey as will (~~(insure)~~)
16 ensure that the surveys and investigations be carried on in the most
17 economical manner, and that the maps and data be available for the use
18 of the public as quickly as possible.

19 **Sec. 8.** RCW 43.92.080 and 1965 c 8 s 43.92.080 are each amended to
20 read as follows:

21 In order to carry out the purposes of this chapter, all persons
22 employed (~~(hereunder)~~) by the department of natural resources to carry
23 out the duties of this chapter are authorized to enter and cross all
24 land within the state (~~(doing thereby)~~) as long as no damage is done to
25 private property."

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26 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "survey;" strike the
27 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 43.92.010, 43.92.020,
28 43.92.040, 43.92.060, 43.92.070, and 43.92.080; and adding new sections

1 to chapter 43.92 RCW."

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