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- AN ACT Relating to public utility district managers' compensation;
- 2 and amending RCW 54.16.100.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 54.16.100 and 1990 c 16 s 1 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 The commission, by resolution introduced at a regular meeting and
- 7 adopted at a subsequent regular meeting, shall appoint and may remove
- 8 at will a district manager, and shall, by resolution, fix his or her
- 9 compensation. However, the manager's compensation may not include life
- 10 insurance other than term life insurance with premiums paid on an
- 11 <u>annual basis</u>.
- 12 The manager shall be the chief administrative officer of the
- 13 district, in control of all administrative functions and shall be
- 14 responsible to the commission for the efficient administration of the

- 1 affairs of the district placed in his or her charge. The manager shall
- 2 be an experienced executive with administrative ability. In the
- 3 absence or temporary disability of the manager, the manager shall, with
- 4 the approval of the president of the commission, designate some
- 5 competent person as acting manager.
- 6 The manager may attend all meetings of the commission and its
- 7 committees, and take part in the discussion of any matters pertaining
- 8 to the duties of his or her department, but shall have no vote.
- 9 The manager shall carry out the orders of the commission, and see 10 that the laws pertaining to matters within the functions of his or her department are enforced; keep the commission fully advised as to the 11 12 financial condition and needs of the districts; prepare an annual estimate for the ensuing fiscal year of the probable expenses of the 13 14 department, and recommend to the commission what development work 15 should be undertaken, and what extensions and additions, if any, should be made during the ensuing fiscal year, with an estimate of the costs 16 17 of the development work, extensions, and additions; certify to the 18 commission all bills, allowances, and payrolls, including claims due 19 contractors of public works; recommend to the commission compensation 20 of the employees of his or her office, and a scale of compensation to be paid for the different classes of service required by the district; 21 hire and discharge employees under his or her direction; and perform 22 such other duties as may be imposed upon the manager by resolution of 23 24 the commission. It is unlawful for the manager to make any 25 contribution of money in aid of or in opposition to the election of any candidate for public utility commissioner or to advocate or oppose any 26 such election. 27