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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 87.03 RCW 8 to read as follows:
- 9 (1) Any irrigation district organized under this chapter may, for 10 compensation, reimbursement, or otherwise, within limits established by the state Constitution, assist the owners of land receiving water 11 12 distributed by the irrigation district or discharging, with the 13 district's approval, water from the land into irrigation districtmaintained facilities to finance, acquire, install, lease, and use 14 15 equipment, fixtures, programs, and systems to conserve, improve, preserve, and efficiently use the land, water delivered by the 16 17 irrigation district, or water discharged from the land into irrigation district-maintained facilities. Assistance may include, but is not 18 19 limited to, grants, loans, and financing to purchase, lease, install, 20 and use approved conservation, improvement, and preservation equipment, fixtures, programs, and systems. The equipment, fixtures, programs, 21 22 and systems may be leased, purchased, or installed by a private 23 business, the owner of the land, or the irrigation district. 24 "Conserve," "improve," and "preserve" as used in this section, include 25 enhancing the quality of water delivered by the irrigation district or 26 discharged from the land into irrigation district-maintained 27 facilities.
- (2) The district may charge the owner and the land if district 28 money or credit is used or extended to provide the assistance in 29 30 subsection (1) of this section. The district's board of directors may also levy and fix assessments, rates, tolls, and charges and collect 31 them from all persons for whom, and all land on which, district money 32 or credit is provided, or the board may require landowner repayment for 33 34 landowner assistance by assessments, charges, rates, or tolls in the 35 same manner as provided by RCW 87.03.445.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 87.03 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 (1) Purchases of any materials, supplies, or equipment by the 4 district shall be based on competitive bids except as provided in RCW 5 87.03.435 and 39.04.280. A formal sealed bid procedure shall be used 6 as standard procedure for the purchases made by irrigation districts. 7 However, the board may by resolution adopt a policy to waive formal 8 sealed bidding procedures for purchases of any materials, supplies, or 9 equipment for an amount set by the board not to exceed ten thousand
- 11 (2) The directors may by resolution adopt a policy to use the 12 process provided in RCW 39.04.190 for purchases of materials, supplies, 13 or equipment when the estimated cost is between the amount established 14 by the board under subsection (1) of this section and a maximum amount 15 set by resolution adopted by the board for purchases up to fifty

thousand dollars exclusive of sales tax."

dollars for each purchase.

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- 20 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "districts;" strike the 21 remainder of the title and insert "and adding new sections to chapter 22 87.03 RCW."

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