
HOUSE BILL 1787

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By Representative Hatfield

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1 AN ACT Relating to sales of property by water-sewer districts; and
2 amending RCW 57.08.015 and 57.08.016.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 57.08.015 and 1996 c 230 s 305 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 The board of commissioners of a district may sell, at public or
7 private sale, property belonging to the district if the board
8 determines that the property is not and will not be needed for district
9 purposes and if the board gives notice of intention to sell as in this
10 section provided. However, no such notice of intention shall be
11 required to sell personal property of less than two thousand five
12 hundred dollars in value.

13 The notice of intention to sell shall be published once a week for
14 two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the
15 district. The notice shall describe the property and state the time
16 and place at which it will be sold or offered for sale, the terms of
17 sale, whether the property is to be sold at public or private sale, and
18 if at public sale the notice shall call for bids, fix the conditions of

1 the bids and reserve the right to reject any and all bids for good
2 cause.

3 **Sec. 2.** RCW 57.08.016 and 1996 c 230 s 306 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1) There shall be no private sale of real property where the
6 appraised value exceeds the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars.
7 Subject to the provisions of subsection (2) of this section, no real
8 property of the district shall be sold for less than ninety percent of
9 the value thereof as established by a written appraisal made not more
10 than six months prior to the date of sale by three disinterested real
11 estate brokers licensed under the laws of the state or professionally
12 designated real estate appraisers as defined in RCW 74.46.020. The
13 appraisal shall be signed by the appraisers and filed with the
14 secretary of the board of commissioners of the district, who shall keep
15 it at the office of the district open to public inspection. Any notice
16 of intention to sell real property of the district shall recite the
17 appraised value thereof.

18 (2) If no purchasers can be obtained for the property at ninety
19 percent or more of its appraised value after one hundred twenty days of
20 offering the property for sale, the board of commissioners of the
21 district may adopt a resolution stating that the district has been
22 unable to sell the property at the ninety percent amount. The district
23 then may sell the property at the highest price it can obtain at public
24 auction. A notice of intention to sell at public auction shall be
25 published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of
26 general circulation in the district. The notice shall describe the
27 property, state the time and place at which it will be offered for sale
28 and the terms of sale, and shall call for bids, fix the conditions
29 thereof, and reserve the right to reject any and all bids for good
30 cause.

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