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1 AN ACT Relating to lake management districts; and amending RCW  
2 36.61.020.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.61.020 and 1987 c 432 s 2 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 Any county may create lake management districts to finance the  
7 improvement and maintenance of lakes located within or partially within  
8 the boundaries of the county. All or a portion of a lake and the  
9 adjacent land areas may be included within one or more lake management  
10 districts. More than one lake, or portions of lakes, and the adjacent  
11 land areas may be included in a single lake management district. ((A  
12 lake management district may be created for a period of up to ten  
13 years.))

14 Special assessments or rates and charges may be imposed on the  
15 property included within a lake management district to finance lake  
16 improvement and maintenance activities, including: (1) The control or  
17 removal of aquatic plants and vegetation; (2) water quality; (3) the  
18 control of water levels; (4) storm water diversion and treatment; (5)  
19 agricultural waste control; (6) studying lake water quality problems

1 and solutions; (7) cleaning and maintaining ditches, dikes, levees,  
2 flumes, and streams entering or leaving the lake; and (8) the related  
3 administrative, engineering, legal, and operational costs, including  
4 the costs of creating the lake management district.

5 Special assessments or rates and charges may be imposed annually on  
6 all the land in a lake management district for the duration of the lake  
7 management district without a related issuance of lake management  
8 district bonds or revenue bonds. Special assessments also may be  
9 imposed in the manner of special assessments in a local improvement  
10 district with each landowner being given the choice of paying the  
11 entire special assessment in one payment, or to paying installments,  
12 with lake management district bonds being issued to obtain moneys not  
13 derived by the initial full payment of the special assessments, and the  
14 installments covering all of the costs related to issuing, selling, and  
15 redeeming the lake management district bonds.

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