

REFERENDUM 21 BILL NUMBER

Chapter 40, Laws of 1970

Official ballot title:*

OUTDOOR RECREATION BONDS—SALES; INTEREST

AN ACT amending a law approved by the voters in 1968 which authorized the sale of \$40,000,000 in bonds for the acquisition and development of outdoor recreation areas and facilities; deleting a requirement in the original act that these bonds be sold prior to January 1, 1975; removing the 6% maximum interest rate payable on said bonds and substituting therefor a provision that the state finance committee shall fix the maximum interest rate.

Vote cast by members of the 1970 Legislature on final passage:

SENATE: (49 members) Yeas, 31; Nays, 15; Absent or not voting, 3.

HOUSE: (99 members) Yeas, 90; Nays, 3; Absent or not voting, 6.

*Ballot Title as issued by the Attorney General.

Statement FOR

Background of Bonds for Outdoor Recreation

In November 1968, the people of the State of Washington passed Referendum 18 by a margin of 409,160 votes. This bond issue authorized \$40,000,000 for the acquisition/development of critically needed outdoor recreation areas/facilities throughout the State. Referendum 18 funds are used to match more than twice this amount of other federal, state, and local funds.

Referendum 18, contains standard provisions which limit the interest which may be paid to 6% and requires the sale of the bonds within a specified period of time.

Why Referendum 21 is needed

Interest rates have risen sharply, however. It is now necessary to pass Referendum 21 to realize the benefits sought by the voters when they approved Referendum 18 two years ago.

Acquisition and development of parks, wildlife areas, golf, camping and boating facilities, neighborhood playgrounds, and swimming beaches for which Referendum 18 funds are to be used should not be delayed. The need to meet this demand was overwhelmingly reaffirmed by the voters in 1968. These needs have only intensified with the passage of time. Many of the best sites are being sold each year for other purposes. Once lost, they are gone forever. Construction costs are also

escalating rapidly. In addition, inflation is continually shrinking the purchasing power of Referendum 18 funds.

How Referendum 21 will work

Referendum 21 will allow the interest rate to be set by competitive bidding under the supervision of the State Finance Committee. The removal of the time limit for the sale of the bonds will give the State Finance Committee the flexibility to take best advantage of changing bond market conditions.

Referendum 21 would authorize the sale of these bonds in the event they cannot be sold within the 6% limitation.

Committee appointed to compose statement FOR Referendum Bill No. 21:

GORDON SANDISON, State Senator; FRANK W. FOLEY, State Senator; ROBERT F. GOLDSWORTHY, State Representative.

Advisory Committee: THOMAS O. WIMMER, Past President, Washington State Environmental Council, Seattle; BROCK EVANS, Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs, Seattle; DR. RICHARD W. VAN DRIEL, Legislative Chairman, Washington State Sportsmen's Council, Everett; WILFRED WOODS, Publisher-Conservationist, Wenatchee; MARVIN B. DURNING, Former Chairman, Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation, Seattle.

*Explanatory comment issued by the
Attorney General as required by law*

The Law as it now exists:

The people at the 1968 general election approved Referendum Bill No. 18. This law authorized the sale of general obligation bonds prior to January 1, 1975, in an amount up to \$40 million, for the acquisition and development of outdoor recreation areas and facilities in this state. The proposition was submitted to the people because under our constitution, with certain exceptions not here involved, a law authorizing the state to contract debts through the issuance of general obligation bonds cannot take effect until after it has been approved by the people.

The law, having received a favorable vote, is now effective and the state finance committee is authorized thereunder to proceed with the sale of the bonds. However, the law expressly limits the maximum interest rate which may be paid on the bonds to six percent (6%) per annum.

Effect of Referendum Bill No. 21 if approved into Law:

By chapter 40, Laws of 1970, the legislature has provided that unless all the bonds authorized by Referendum Bill No. 18 are sold on or before September 2, 1970, then two sections of a 1970 law, now designated as Referendum Bill No. 21, are to be submitted to the people seeking approval of the following changes in the original law: (1) Deleting the requirement that bonds be sold prior to January 1, 1975; and (2) removing the provision fixing the maximum rate of interest at six percent and substituting therefor a provision that the state finance committee shall fix the maximum interest rate. If approved, the effect of this referendum bill will simply be to provide for these changes.

*Note: Complete text of Referendum Bill No. 21 starts on
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Statement AGAINST

No member of the 1970 Legislature could be enlisted by the Speaker, House of Representatives, or by the President, State Senate, to write a statement against Referendum Bill No. 21 for publication in this pamphlet.

COMPLETE TEXT OF

REFERENDUM BILL NUMBER 20

(CHAPTER 3, LAWS OF 1970)

Ballot Title as issued by the Attorney General:

CHANGES IN ABORTION LAW

AN ACT permitting the termination of pregnancy when performed: (1) By or under the supervision of a licensed physician; (2) within four lunar months after conception upon a woman not quick with child who has resided in this state for at least ninety days prior to termination; (3) with the woman's consent and that of her husband, if she is residing with him, or if unmarried and under eighteen years of age, with her consent and that of her legal guardian; and providing that no objecting hospital, physician or other person shall be required to participate in a termination of pregnancy.

LEGISLATIVE TITLE
(Senate Bill No. 68)

ABORTION

AN ACT relating to abortion; adding three new sections to chapter 249, Laws of 1909 and to chapter 9.02 RCW; and providing for submission of this act to a vote of the people.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature
of the State of Washington:*

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 249, Laws of 1909, and to chapter 9.02 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Neither the termination by a physician licensed under chapters 18.71 or 18.57 RCW of the pregnancy of a woman not quick with child nor the prescribing, supplying or administering of any medicine, drug or substance to or the use of any instrument or other means on, such woman by a physician so licensed, nor the taking of any medicine, drug or substance or the use or submittal to the use of any instrument or other means by such a woman when following the directions of a physician so licensed, with the intent to terminate such pregnancy, shall be deemed unlawful acts within the meaning of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 249, Laws of 1909, and to chapter 9.02 RCW a new section to read as follows:

A pregnancy of a woman not quick with child and not more than four lunar months after conception may be lawfully terminated under this act only: (a) with her prior consent and, if married and residing with her husband or unmarried and under the age of eighteen years, with the prior consent of her husband or legal guardian, respectively, (b) if the woman has resided in this state for at

least ninety days prior to the date of termination, and (c) in a hospital accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals or at a medical facility approved for that purpose by the state board of health, which facility meets standards prescribed by regulations to be issued by the state board of health for the safe and adequate care and treatment of patients: *Provided*, That if a physician determines that termination is immediately necessary to meet the medical emergency the pregnancy may be terminated elsewhere. Any physician who violates this section of this 1970 act or any regulation of the state board of health issued under authority of this section shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 249, Laws of 1909, and to chapter 9.02 RCW a new section to read as follows:

No hospital, physician, nurse, hospital employee nor any other person shall be under any duty, by law or contract, nor shall such hospital or person in any circumstances be required, to participate in a termination of pregnancy if such hospital or person objects to such termination. No such person shall be discriminated against in employment or professional privileges because he so objects.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances, is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. This act shall be submitted to the people for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at the general election to be held in this state on the Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November 1970, in accordance with the provisions of section 1, Article II of the Constitution of the state of Washington, as amended, and the laws adopted to facilitate the operation thereof.

Passed the Senate January 30, 1970.

Passed the House February 4, 1970.

Received directly from the office of the Secretary, State Senate and filed February 9, 1970 in the office of the Secretary of State.

COMPLETE TEXT OF

REFERENDUM BILL NUMBER 21

(CHAPTER 40, LAWS OF 1970)

Ballot Title as issued by the Attorney General:

OUTDOOR RECREATION BONDS—SALES; INTEREST

AN ACT amending a law approved by the voters in 1968 which authorized the sale of \$40,000,000 in bonds for the acquisition and development of outdoor recreation areas and facilities; deleting a requirement in the original act that these bonds be sold prior to January 1, 1975; removing the 6% maximum interest rate payable on said bonds and substituting therefor a provision that the state finance committee shall fix the maximum interest rate.

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LEGISLATIVE TITLE
(Senate Bill No. 311)

OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL AREAS AND FACILITIES—ACQUISITION—BOND ISSUE

AN ACT relating to state government and the support thereof; amending section 2, chapter 126, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 43.99A.020; amending section 3, chapter 126, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 43.99A.030; and providing for submission of this act to a vote of the people.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature
of the State of Washington:*

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 126, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 43.99A.020 are each amended to read as follows:

For the purpose of providing funds for the acquisition and development of outdoor recreational areas and facilities in this state, the state finance committee is authorized to issue [~~at any time prior to January 1, 1976,~~] general obligation bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of forty million dollars or so much thereof as may be required to finance the projects described in RCW 43.99A.070 and 43.99A.080. These bonds shall be paid and discharged within twenty years of the date of issuance.

Sec. 2. Section 3, chapter 126, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 43.99A.030 are each amended to read as follows:

The state finance committee is authorized to prescribe the form of the bonds, the maximum rate of interest the same shall bear, the time of sale of all or any portion of them, and the conditions of their sale and issuance. None of the bonds herein authorized shall be sold for less than their par value [~~nor shall they bear interest at a rate in excess of six percent per annum~~].

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. In the event all of the bonds authorized by RCW 43.99A.010 through 43.99A.110 have not been issued on or before September 2, 1970, then this act shall be submitted to the people for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at the general election to be held in this state on the Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November, 1970, in accordance with the provisions of section 3, Article VIII of the state Constitution; and in accordance with the provisions of section 1, Article II of the state Constitution as amended, and the laws adopted to facilitate the operation thereof.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Sections 1 and 2 of this 1970 amendatory act shall not become effective unless this act is adopted and ratified at the referendum election provided for in section 3 of this 1970 amendatory act.

Passed the Senate January 31, 1970.

Passed the House February 6, 1970.

Approved by the Governor February 20, 1970.

COMPLETE TEXT OF

REFERENDUM BILL NUMBER

22

(CHAPTER 66, LAWS OF 1970)

Ballot Title as issued by the Attorney General:

STATE BUILDINGS—BONDS—SALES; INTEREST

AN ACT amending a law approved by the voters in 1968 which authorized the sale of \$63,059,000 in bonds to finance various building projects for institutions, general administration and certain higher education facilities; deleting a requirement in the original act that these bonds be sold prior to January 1, 1972; removing the 6% maximum interest rate payable on said bonds and substituting therefor a provision that the state finance committee shall fix the maximum interest rate.

LEGISLATIVE TITLE
(Senate Bill No. 317)

GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS—INTEREST RATES—VALIDATION

AN ACT relating to state government and the support thereof; amending section 1, chapter 148, Laws of 1967 ex. sess., and RCW 43.83.090; amending section 3, chapter 192, Laws of 1951 as amended by section 3, chapter 84, Laws of 1963 and RCW 36.88.030; amending section 36.88.140, chapter 4, Laws of 1963 and RCW 36.88.140; and providing for the submission of certain sections of this act to a vote of the people.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature
of the State of Washington:*

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 148, Laws of 1967 ex. sess., and RCW 43.83.090 are each amended to read as follows:

For the purpose of providing needed capital improvements for the department of general administration, the institutions of higher education and the department of institutions, the state finance committee is authorized to issue [~~at any time prior to January 1, 1972,~~] general obligation bonds of the state of Washington in the sum of sixty-three million fifty-nine thousand dollars or so much thereof as shall be required to finance the capital projects set forth in RCW 43.83.100, to be paid and discharged within twenty years of the date of issuance.

The state finance committee is authorized to prescribe the form of such bonds, the maximum rate of interest the same shall bear, and the time of sale of all or any portion or portions of such bonds, and the conditions of sale and issuance thereof: *Provided*, That none of the bonds herein authorized shall be sold for less than the par value thereof