

**RCW 47.64.270 Insurance and health care.** (1) The employer and one coalition of all the exclusive bargaining representatives subject to this chapter and chapter 41.80 RCW shall conduct negotiations regarding the dollar amount expended on behalf of each employee for health care benefits.

(2) Absent a collective bargaining agreement to the contrary, the department of transportation shall provide contributions to insurance and health care plans for ferry system employees and dependents, as determined by the state health care authority, under chapter 41.05 RCW.

(3) The employer and employee organizations may collectively bargain for insurance plans other than health care benefits, and employer contributions may exceed that of other state agencies as provided in RCW 41.05.050.

(4) For the 2013-2015 fiscal biennium, a collective bargaining agreement related to employee health care benefits negotiated between the employer and coalition pursuant to RCW 41.80.020(3) regarding the dollar amount expended on behalf of each employee must be a separate agreement for which the governor may request funds necessary to implement the agreement. [2013 c 306 § 522; 2011 c 367 § 713; 2010 c 283 § 13; 2006 c 164 § 17; 1995 1st sp.s. c 6 § 6; 1993 c 492 § 224; 1988 c 107 § 21; 1987 c 78 § 2; 1983 c 15 § 18.]

**Effective date—2013 c 306:** See note following RCW 47.64.170.

**Effective date—2011 c 367:** See note following RCW 47.29.170.

**Findings—Intent—Effective date—2010 c 283:** See notes following RCW 47.60.355.

**Prospective application—Savings—Effective dates—2006 c 164:** See notes following RCW 47.64.011.

**Effective date—1995 1st sp.s. c 6:** See note following RCW 28A.400.410.

**Findings—Intent—1993 c 492:** See notes following RCW 43.20.050.

**Short title—Savings—Reservation of legislative power—Effective dates—1993 c 492:** See RCW 43.72.910 through 43.72.915.

**Implementation—Effective dates—1988 c 107:** See RCW 41.05.901.

**Intent—1987 c 78:** "The legislature finds that the provisions of RCW 47.64.270 have been subject to misinterpretation. The objective of this act is to clarify the intent of RCW 47.64.270 as originally enacted." [1987 c 78 § 1.]

**Effective date—1987 c 78:** "This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect July 1, 1987." [1987 c 78 § 3.]