

**WEST SOUND UTILITY DISTRICT
RESOLUTION 485-14**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE
WEST SOUND UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ESTABLISHING A FIRE PROTECTION COST POLICY**

WHEREAS, the 2013 Washington State Legislature adopted Substitute House Bill (SHB) 1512 which sets forth a new fire suppression (hydrant) law impacting all water purveyors; and

WHEREAS, SHB 1512 provides a means for water utilities to recover public fire protection costs from rates through traditional cost of service allocation concepts; and

WHEREAS, SHB 1512 also authorizes water utilities to contract with general governments to provide fire protection and recover costs through such agreements, although county government is not required to pay for fire suppression water facilities or services unless the county is a customer of the purveyor or in areas where the county acts as a purveyor; and

WHEREAS, it has been the past practice of the District to recover the cost for providing and maintaining fire suppression facilities and related services through rate revenue generated from the District's water utility's ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the adoption of SHB 1512, it is important for West Sound Utility District to have a clear policy which addresses the recovery of those costs associated with the funding of fire suppression facilities and services; NOW, THEREFORE,


**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WEST SOUND UTILITY DISTRICT
HEREBY RESOLVES:**


Section 1. Effective upon the adoption of this resolution, West Sound Utility District shall maintain as its policy that the costs for providing and maintaining fire suppression facilities and related services shall be funded through rate revenue generated from the District's water utility's ratepayers.

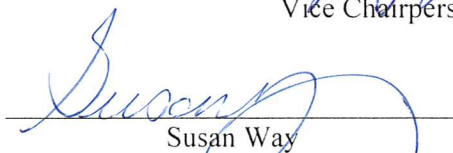
**APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of West Sound
Utility District at a regular scheduled meeting on March 17, 2014**

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