

agents, home demonstration agents, 4-H club agents, and assistant county agricultural agents paid jointly by the Washington State University and the several counties shall be deemed to be full time employees of the Washington State University for the purposes hereof;

(2) To provide, under such rules and regulations as any such board may prescribe for the faculty members or other employees under its supervision, for the retirement of any such faculty member or other employee on account of age or condition of health, retirement on account of age to be not earlier than the sixty-fifth birthday: PROVIDED, That such faculty member or such other employee may elect to retire at the earliest age specified for retirement by federal social security law: PROVIDED FURTHER, That any supplemental payment authorized by subsection (3) of this section and paid as a result of retirement earlier than age sixty-five shall be at an actuarially reduced rate;

(3) To pay to any such retired person or his surviving spouse, each year after his retirement, an amount which, when added to the amount of such annuity or retirement income plan received by him or his surviving spouse in such year, will not exceed fifty percent of the average annual salary paid to such retired person for his highest two consecutive years of full time service at an institution of higher education: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That if such retired person prior to his retirement elected a supplemental payment survivors option, any such supplemental payments to such retired person or his surviving spouse shall be at actuarially reduced rates: PROVIDED FURTHER, That if a faculty member or other employee of the University of Washington or Washington State University who is a participant in a retirement plan authorized by this section dies, or has died before retirement but after becoming eligible for retirement on account of age, the surviving spouse shall be entitled to receive the supplemental payment authorized by this subsection (3) of this section to which such surviving spouse would have been entitled had said deceased faculty member or other employee retired on the date of death after electing a supplemental payment survivors option.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This 1975 amendatory 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 immediately.

Passed the House May 8, 1975.

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CHAPTER 213

[House Bill No. 278]

STATE PURCHASE OF NURSING HOME CARE—REIMBURSEMENT FORMULA —INSPECTION AND EXAMINATION

AN ACT Relating to purchases of services, care and supplies; amending section 74.09.120, chapter 26, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 1, chapter 30, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 74.09.120; and amending section 10, chapter 117, Laws of 1951 as amended by section 6, chapter 160, Laws of 1953 and RCW 18.51.090.

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

Section 1. Section 74.09.120, chapter 26, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 1, chapter 30, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 74.09.120 are each amended to read as follows:

The department shall purchase necessary physician and dentist services by contract or "fee for service." The department shall purchase hospital care by contract or by all inclusive day rate, or at a reasonable cost based on a ratio of charges to cost. Any hospital when requested by the department shall supply such information as necessary to justify its rate, charges or costs. All additional services provided by the hospital shall be purchased at rates established by the department after consultation with the hospital. The department shall purchase nursing home care by contract ~~((or at not more than the minimum ward rate of each nursing home or infirmary. Any nursing home or infirmary when requested by the department shall supply such information as necessary to justify this rate. All additional services provided by the nursing home or infirmary shall be purchased at rates established by the department after consultation with the nursing home or infirmary))~~. The department shall establish regulations for reasonable nursing home accounting and reimbursement systems which recognize relevant cost related factors for department of social and health services patients, including but not limited to the scope or level of services or care, requirements of staff, and physical plant, and a reasonable rate of return on investment; said formula shall provide that no payment shall be made to a nursing home which does not permit inspection by the department of social and health services of every part of its premises and an examination of all records, including financial records, methods of administration, general and special dietary programs, the disbursement of drugs and methods of supply, and any other records the department deems relevant to the establishment of such a system.

All other services and supplies provided under the program shall be secured by contract.

Sec. 2. Section 10, chapter 117, Laws of 1951 as amended by section 6, chapter 160, Laws of 1953 and RCW 18.51.090 are each amended to read as follows:

The department or approved health department shall make or cause to be made at least a yearly inspection and investigation of all nursing homes. Every inspection may include an inspection of every part of the premises and an examination of all records ~~((other than financial records))~~, methods of administration, the general and special dietary and the stores and methods of supply. Following such inspection or inspections, written notice of any violation of this law or the rules and regulations promulgated hereunder, shall be given the applicant or licensee and the department. The board may prescribe by regulations that any licensee or applicant desiring to make specified types of alterations or additions to its facilities or to construct new facilities shall, before commencing such alteration, addition or new construction, submit its plans and specifications therefor to the

department for preliminary inspection and approval or recommendations with respect to compliance with the regulations and standards herein authorized.

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CHAPTER 214

[Senate Bill No. 2114]

MUNICIPAL COURTS—JUDICIAL
OFFICERS—OFFICE OF HEARING EXAMINER

AN ACT Relating to municipal courts; and adding a new section to chapter 35.20 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 35.20 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The judges of the municipal court may employ judicial officers to assist in the administration of justice and the accomplishment of the work of the court as said work may be assigned to it by statute or ordinance. The duties and responsibilities of such officers shall be judicial in nature and shall be fixed by court rule as adopted by the municipal court judges or fixed by ordinance of the city. The mayor may appoint the judicial officers as judges pro tempore pursuant to RCW 35.20.200: PROVIDED, That the judicial officer need not be a resident of the city.

To utilize the services of such judicial officers for the purpose of hearing contested matters relating to the interest of the city and its citizens and the operation of the various departments of the city, the city may by ordinance create the office of hearing examiner in the municipal court and assign to it judicial duties and responsibilities.

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CHAPTER 215

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2348]

CITIES, TOWNS, AND COUNTIES—
PLANS FOR BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN,
AND EQUESTRIAN EXPENDITURES

AN ACT Relating to transportation; amending section 35.77.010, chapter 7, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 27, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35.77.010; amending section 36.81-.121, chapter 4, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 26, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 36.81.121.

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

Section 1. Section 35.77.010, chapter 7, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 27, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35.77.010 are each amended to read as follows: