

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the support of the state government and its existing institutions and shall take effect immediately. Effective immediately.

Passed the House March 3, 1943.

Passed the Senate March 6, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1943.

CHAPTER 95.

[H. B. 37.]

HOUSING PROJECTS.

AN ACT extending the time in which the development of projects may be initiated by housing authorities to provide housing for persons engaged in national defense activities and amending sections 2 and 3, chapter 54, Laws of 1941 (secs. 6889-42 and 6889-43, Rem. Rev. Stat.).

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

SECTION 1. That section 2, chapter 54, Laws of 1941 (sec. 6889-42, Rem. Rev. Stat.) be amended to read as follows: Amendments.

Section 2. (a) "Persons engaged in national defense activities," as used in this act, shall include: enlisted men in the military and naval services of the United States and employees of the War and Navy Departments assigned to duty at military or naval reservations, posts or bases; and workers engaged or to be engaged in industries connected with and essential to the national defense program; and shall include the families of the aforesaid persons who are living with them. Definitions.

(b) "Persons of low income," as used in this act, shall mean persons or families who lack the amount of income which is necessary (as determined by the housing authority undertaking the housing project) to enable them, without financial assistance, to

live in decent, safe and sanitary dwellings, without overcrowding.

(c) "Development" as used in this act, shall mean any and all undertakings necessary for the planning, land acquisition, demolition, financing, construction or equipment in connection with a project (including the negotiation or award of contracts therefor), and shall include the acquisition of any project (in whole or in part) from the Federal Government.

(d) "Administration," as used in this Act, shall mean any and all undertakings necessary for management, operation or maintenance, in connection with any project, and shall include the leasing of any project (in whole or in part) from the Federal Government.

(e) "Federal Government," as used in this act, shall mean the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality, corporate or otherwise, of the United States of America.

(f) The development of a project shall be deemed to be "initiated," within the meaning of this act, if a housing authority has issued any bonds, notes or other obligations with respect to financing the development of such project of the authority, or has contracted with the Federal Government with respect to the exercise of powers hereunder in the development of such project of the Federal Government for which an allocation of funds has been made prior to the termination of the present war: *Provided, however,* That should the war terminate during the next biennium, this date shall be no sooner than December 1, 1945.

(g) "Housing authority," as used in this act, shall mean any housing authority established or hereafter established pursuant to the Housing Authorities Law, chapter 23, Laws of 1939, and any amendments thereto.

SEC. 2. That section 3, chapter 54, Laws of 1941 (sec. 6889-43, Rem. Rev. Stat.), be amended to read as follows: Amendments.

Section 3. Any housing authority may undertake the development and administration of projects to assure the availability of safe and sanitary dwellings for persons engaged in national defense activities whom the housing authority determines would not otherwise be able to secure safe and sanitary dwellings within the vicinity thereof, but no housing authority shall initiate the development of any such project pursuant to this act after the termination of the present war: *Provided, however,* That should the war terminate during the next bien- Projects may be undertaken.
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 nium, this date shall be no sooner than December 1, 1945.

Passed the House February 15, 1943.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1943.

CHAPTER 96.

[H. B. 38.]

WAR MOBILIZATION OF FIREMEN.

AN ACT relating to the wartime mobilization of paid, volunteer and auxiliary firemen and prescribing the powers, duties, and responsibilities of the Governor and other public officials in connection therewith.

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

SECTION 1. *Outside Service by Paid, Volunteer, and Auxiliary Firemen.* At the request of the governing body of any county, city, town or fire district, the head of any fire department of any other political subdivision may, or if so ordered by the Governor, shall assign and make available for duty and use in such county, city, town or fire district, Assign upon request.