CHAPTER 256. [H. B. 593,]

UNIVERSITY AND STATE COLLEGE—ANNUITIES. RETIREMENT PLANS.

An Act relating to schools and colleges; and amending section 1, chapter 123, Laws of 1955 and RCW 28.76.240.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 123, Laws of 1955 RCW 28.76.240 and RCW 28.76.240 are each amended to read as follows:

The Board of regents of the University of Washington and the board of regents of the State College of Washington are authorized and empowered:

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- (1) To assist the faculties and such other employees of their respective institutions as the board of regents may designate in the purchase of old age annuities or retirement income plans under such rules and regulations as the regents of said institutions may prescribe. County agricultural agents, home demonstration agents, 4-H club agents, and assistant county agricultural agents paid jointly by the State College of Washington and the several counties shall be deemed to be full time employees of the State College of Washington for the purposes hereof:
- (2) To provide, under such rules and regulations as any such board may prescribe for the institution under its supervision, for the retirement of any such faculty member or employee on account of age or condition of health, retirement on account of age to be not earlier than the sixty-fifth birthday;
- (3) To pay to any such retired person, each year after his retirement, an amount which, when added to the amount of such annuity or retirement income plan received by him in such year, will not exceed fifty percent of the average annual salary paid to

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such person for his last ten years of full time service at such institution.

(4) To direct the retirement agency to pay to any retiring or resigning faculty member or employee or to any other person who has severed relations with the university or college, or any arm or agency thereof, at the option of such member or employee, the total amount of his account in the annuity or retirement income plan including all contributions theretofore made by both the member or employee and by the university or college or arm or agency thereof, and including accrued interest. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any faculty member or employee of the college or university, or any arm or agency thereof, heretofore resigned, retired, or who has for any reason severed relations with the university or college or arm or agency thereof, and who has not received reimbursement as specified herein, and any such member or employee may elect to receive all such contributions at one time or in such monthly amounts, not to exceed the total of such contributions, as he may specify, and having elected to receive monthly amounts, he may at any time revoke such election and be paid the remaining moneys credited to his account.

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Approved by the Governor March 23, 1957.