

law for the fixing of the salaries or compensation of other state officers or employees, plus ~~((his necessary transportation))~~ travel expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 as now existing or hereafter amended.

Sec. 181. Section 3, chapter 123, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 36, Laws of 1967 and RCW 91.12.030 are each amended to read as follows:

Commission members ~~((shall receive a per diem of twenty-five dollars and))~~ shall be reimbursed for their ~~((necessary))~~ travel expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 as now existing or hereafter amended.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 182. If any provision of this 1976 amendatory act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this 1976 amendatory act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 183. 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 on July 1, 1976.

Passed the House February 16, 1976.

Passed the Senate February 13, 1976.

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## CHAPTER 35

[House Bill No. 1257]

### MUNICIPAL JUDGES—QUALIFICATIONS

AN ACT Relating to municipal judges; and amending section 53, chapter 299, Laws of 1961 and RCW 3.50.040.

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

Section 1. Section 53, chapter 299, Laws of 1961 and RCW 3.50.040 are each amended to read as follows:

Within thirty days after the effective date of the ordinance, the mayor of each city or town shall, with the approval of the legislative body thereof, appoint a municipal judge or judges of the municipal court for a term of four years, commencing January 15, 1962. Succeeding appointments shall be made in like manner by the fifteenth day of December preceding the end of every four year term.

The person appointed as municipal judge shall be a citizen of the United States of America and of the state of Washington; and an attorney duly admitted to practice law before the courts of record of the state of Washington ~~((and practicing law in the municipality or residing in the municipality where the department is located))~~: PROVIDED, That in a municipality having a population less than five thousand persons, a person other than an attorney may be the judge. Any city or town shall have authority to appoint a duly elected justice of the peace as its municipal judge when the municipal judge is not required to serve full

time. In the event of the appointment of a justice of the peace, the city or town shall pay a pro rata share of his salary.

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## CHAPTER 36

[House Bill No. 1259]

### WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES—DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY, LOANS, GRANTS

AN ACT Relating to agricultural water supply facilities; amending section 3, chapter 295, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW (\_\_\_\_); and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 295, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW (\_\_\_\_) are each amended to read as follows:

The department of ecology is authorized to make loans or grants or combinations thereof to eligible public bodies as defined in RCW 43.83B.050 for rehabilitation or betterment of agricultural water supply facilities, and/or construction of agricultural water supply facilities required to develop new irrigated lands. The department of ecology may make such loans or grants or combinations thereof as matching funds in any case where federal, local, or other funds have been made available on a matching basis. A loan or combination loan and grant shall not exceed fifty percent of the approved eligible project costs for any single proposed project. Any grant or grant portion of a combination loan and grant for any single proposed project shall not exceed fifteen percent of the eligible project costs; PROVIDED, That the fifteen percent limitation established herein shall not be applicable to project commitments which the director or deputy director of the state department of ecology made to the bureau of reclamation of the United States department of interior for providing state funding at thirty-five percent of project costs during the period between August 1, 1974, and June 30, 1975.

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 February 5, 1976.

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