

Appropriation, \$18,481.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of complying with the conditions expressed in said act of Congress approved May 8, 1914, there is hereby appropriated out of the general fund the sum of eighteen thousand four hundred eighty-one dollars.

Passed the House March 6, 1915.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1915.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1915.

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## CHAPTER 126.

[S. B. 129.]

### BUDGET SYSTEM FOR STATE OFFICES AND INSTITUTIONS.

AN ACT providing for the establishment of a budget system for state offices, departments and institutions.

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

SECTION 1. On or before the 15th day of October of every even-numbered year the several departments, institutions, commissions and officers of the state shall report to the state board of finance on forms prescribed and according to the classification adopted by the state auditor through the bureau of inspection and supervision of public offices, an estimate in itemized form, stating the amount of money required for the conduct of such department, institution, commission or office for the biennial period beginning on the first day of April thereafter.

SEC. 2. The state auditor, through the bureau of inspection and supervision of public offices, shall assemble said statements in proper form and show opposite each request the amount of appropriation made for the current biennium and the amount expended from each to and including September 30th, immediately preceding, also a statement showing the actual revenues of the state for the twenty-four months ending September 30th, and the estimated receipts from all sources for the next fiscal

Filing itemized estimates.

Compilation of state budget.

biennium. This statement shall be submitted to the board of finance, which shall make such recommendations as it may deem proper opposite the requests of the several departments, institutions, boards and commissions. This consolidated statement shall be known as the State Budget.

SEC. 3. The departments, institutions, commissions and officers of the state, upon request, shall forthwith furnish to the state board of finance, any information desired in relation to the affairs of their respective departments, institutions, commissions or offices.

Furnishing  
information  
to board of  
finance.

SEC. 4. Upon the convening of each regular session of the legislature, the state board of finance shall submit to the legislature said state budget, and shall cause such budget to be printed and mailed to each member of the legislature at least fifteen days before the convening thereof.

Submission  
of budget to  
legislature.

SEC. 5. Said board may make such investigation of the affairs of any department, institution, commission or office as it may deem proper; may visit and inspect any department, institution, commission or office; administer oaths; examine such persons as it may deem necessary and compel the production of books, papers and records of such department, institution, commission or office pertaining to its expenditures. Any necessary expense incurred in carrying out the provisions of this act shall be paid out of the appropriation made by the legislature for the executive department.

Investigation  
of offices and  
departments.

SEC. 6. Any officer, employee, commission, board or bureau who shall fail to file their statement on the forms and in the manner provided in section two hereof, shall forfeit ten dollars (\$10.00) per day for each day's delay and the state auditor is hereby directed to withhold said forfeit from the salary of those so offending.

Penalty  
vetoed.

Passed the Senate March 3, 1915.

Passed the House March 9, 1915.

Sections 1 to 5 inclusive approved by the Governor March 17, 1915.

Section 6 vetoed by the Governor March 17, 1915.