AN ACT relating to the development of industries, promoting the general welfare by providing for and encouraging county exhibitions of the products of agriculture, arts and manufactures, the acquisition of property by counties for such purpose and the maintenance of "county fairs."

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

SECTION 1. The holding of "county fairs" and agricultural exhibitions of stock, cereals and agricultural produce of all kinds, including dairy produce, as well as arts and manufactures, by any county in the state is hereby declared to be in the interest of public good and a strictly county purpose.

SEC. 2. The board of county commissioners of any county in the state may acquire by gift, devise, purchase, condemnation and purchase, or otherwise, lands, property rights, leases or easements and all kinds of personal property and own and hold the same and construct and maintain temporary or permanent improvements suitable and necessary for the purpose of holding and maintaining county fairs for the exhibition of county resources and products: Provided, That only one such fair may be established in any county.

SEC. 3. The board of county commissioners shall have power to employ persons to assist in the management of such fairs and make rules and regulations as to time and places for holding fairs, exhibits therein, fees to be charged, prizes to be awarded, and otherwise as to the general management of such fairs. The expenses shall be audited and paid in the manner provided by law from the general fund of the county and receipts and donations shall be credited to said fund and such fairs shall be made as near self-supporting as possible.

SEC. 4. Appropriations in any one year by boards of county commissioners for the purpose of acquisition of
property and the maintenance of such fairs shall be limited according to the following schedule:

Counties of more than 100,000 population ........ $10,000
Counties of between 100,000 and 50,000 .......... $7,500
Counties of between 50,000 and 25,000 .......... $5,000
Counties under 25,000 ........................ $2,500

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CHAPTER 33.
[S. B. 64.]

FORESTS AND FOREST FIRES.

AN ACT relating to forests and forest fires and amending sections 5277-7, 5277-9 and 5277-16 of Remington & Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That section 5277-7 of Remington and Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington be amended to read as follows:

Section 5277-7. All state land cruisers, all game-wards, when approved by the forester, and all rangers and assistant rangers of the United States forest service, when recommended by their forest supervisors, and commissioned by the forester, shall be ex-officio rangers.

Timber cruisers and citizens of the state advantageously located may, at the discretion of the forester, be appointed rangers, and vested with their duties and powers.

Rangers shall receive no compensation for their services except when employed in co-operation with the state and under the provisions of this act, and shall not create any indebtedness, or incur any liability on behalf of the state: Provided, That rangers actually engaged in extinguishing, or preventing the spread of fire in brush,