and it shall be lawful for, and the duty of, the treas-
urer of any such city to pay all warrants ordered
issued by the city council of any such city under the
terms and provisions of this act.

Passed the Senate February 19, 1917.
Passed the House March 5, 1917.
Vetoed by the Governor March 17, 1917.
Passed over the Governor's veto January 30, 1919.

CHAPTER 9.
[H.B. 122.]
VETERANS' WELFARE COMMISSION.

An Act for the welfare of the veterans and the soldiers, sailors
and marines of the war with Germany and her allies, making
an appropriation and declaring that this act shall take effect
immediately.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a commis-
sion to be known as the "Veterans' Welfare Com-
mission", to consist of five members who shall be
appointed by and removable at the pleasure of the
Governor. Each commissioner shall serve without
compensation, but shall be allowed his necessary ex-
penses incurred in the performance of the duties
created by this act. The commission shall organize
as soon as possible after their appointment and
select one of their number as chairman and one as
secretary, and may employ such persons as neces-
sary to assist them in their work, and expend such
of the funds appropriated by this act as they may
deeem necessary for such purposes.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the "Veterans'
Welfare Commission" to disburse the funds appro-

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appropriated by this act or any subsequent appropriation made for such purposes for the welfare of the veterans and the soldiers, sailors and marines of the United States in the war with Germany and her allies, preference being given to those veterans who at the time of their enlistment or induction were bona fide residents of this state. The commission may disburse such funds in such manner and for such purposes as in its judgment will best facilitate and promote the return of such veterans, soldiers, sailors and marines to civil life, and to that end may establish employment agencies to furnish employment, provide for institutions of any sort for aid of such persons, make grants or loans, or expend such funds in any manner whatsoever for such persons, and the enumeration of specific purposes shall not be construed to exclude other purposes but the manner in which such funds shall be expended shall be entirely in the discretion of the commission.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of all state, county, and municipal officers to render such aid to the Veterans' Welfare Commission as shall be within their power and consistent with the duties of their respective offices.

SEC. 4. The Veterans' Welfare Commission shall keep proper records of all expenditures which shall be audited by the bureau of inspection and supervision of public offices.

SEC. 5. For carrying out the purposes of this act there is hereby appropriated the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00).

SEC. 6. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, for the support of the state government, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House January 31, 1919.
Passed the Senate January 31, 1919.
Approved by the Governor February 1, 1919.