CHAPTER 288.

[H. B. 202.]

STATE FORESTS-REFORESTATION.

An Act relating to and providing for the acquiring, seeding, reforestation and administration of lands for state forests, creating a state forest board, defining its powers and duties, providing renalties and amending Sections 1 and 2, of Chapter 154, of the Laws of 1923, and by adding thereto two new sections to be known as sections 3-a and 3-b.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1, of chapter 154 of the Laws of 1923 be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created a state forest board to consist of the governor, commissioner of public lands, dean of forestry of the University of Washington, all ex-officio members, and four electors of the State of Washington, one of whom shall reside west of, and one east of the Cascade range of mountains and two of whom shall be recommended for appointment by the dean of the college of agriculture of the Washington state college and the Washington forest fire association, respectively. The member recommended by the dean of the college of agriculture of the Washington state college shall be an elector engaged in agricultural pursuits and the one recommended by the Washington forest fire association shall be a member of said association.

All members of said board, except the *ex-officio* members shall be appointed by the governor for a term of four years, and until their successors are appointed and accept the appointment. Names of persons recommended by the dean of the college of agriculture of the Washington state college and the Washington forest fire association shall be accep-

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table to the governor who, in his discretion, may reject any such name or names and request additional recommendations before making appointment.

The first appointment of the member recommended by the dean of the college of agriculture, of the Washington state college and the Washington forest fire association as above provided shall be made within thirty days after this act becomes effective, and shall be for a term expiring January 31, 1928, and the first appointment of the other appointed members of the board shall be for terms expiring January 31, 1930.

In the absence of recommendations as above provided from the dean of the college of agriculture of the Washington state college and/or the Washington forest fire association, the governor shall appoint any other qualified person or persons. Tn event a vacancy occurs in any appointive membership in said board such vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired term, Provided That in case of a vacancy in the position held by the person recommended by the dean of the college of agriculture of the Washington state college or in the position held by a member of the Washington forest fire association, the secretary of the board shall forthwith notify the said dean or the association and either the said dean or the said association shall within thirty days recommend a person, satisfactory to the governor and qualified under this act to fill the vacancy, and the governor shall appoint such person to such vacancy. If no name is submitted to the governor within said thirty day period, the governor shall name any person qualified under this act to fill such vacancy. The first appointments to said board shall be made by the governor within sixty days after this act takes effect and the first meeting of said board shall be called by the secretary and be held at the state -23

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capitol within ninety days after this act takes effect. The governor shall be chairman of said board. A vice-chairman who shall act during the absence or disability of the chairman may be selected by said board from among its members. The supervisor of forestry of the State of Washington shall be secretary of said board. The members of said board shall receive no salary or compensation for their services, but shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

SEC. 2. That section 2, of chapter 154 of the Laws of 1923, be amended to read as follows:

Section 2. Within ninety (90) days after the taking effect of this act, the supervisor of forestry of the State of Washington, shall call a meeting of the board at which meeting the board shall adopt such rules and regulations as are deemed advisable and necessary for carrying out the provisions of this act. Special meetings of the board may be called at any time by the secretary of the board and shall be called at any time upon request of the chairman or any two members.

SEC. 3. That chapter 154 of the Laws of 1923 be amended by adding thereto two sections to be known as sections 3-a and 3-b as follows:

Section 3-a. Any lands acquired by the state under the provisions of chapter 154, Laws of 1923, or any amendments thereto, shall be logged, protected and cared for in such manner as to insure natural reforestation of such lands, and to that end the state forest board shall have power, and it shall be its duty to make rules and regulations, and amendments thereto, governing logging operations on such areas, and to embody in any contract for the sale of timber on such areas, such conditions as it shall deem advisable, with respect to methods of logging, disposition of slashings, and debris, and pro-

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§ 2, ch. 154, L. 1923.

First meeting.

Special meetings.

§§ 3a, 3b, ch. 154, L. 1923.

Natural reforestation of lands acquired by state.

Logging operations.

Slashings.

tection and promotion of new forests. All such rules Board adopt and regulations, or amendments thereto, shall be adopted by majority vote of the state forest board by resolution and recorded in the minutes of the board, and shall be promulgated by publication in one issue Publication. of a newspaper of general circulation published at the state capitol, and shall take effect and be in force at the time specified therein. Any violation of any Penalty for such rules and regulations shall be a gross mis- rules. demeanor.

Section 3-b. Any lands heretofore acquired, or Lands which may hereafter be acquired, by any county by county. through foreclosure of tax liens, or otherwise, may be offered by such county to the State of Washington for forest lands, and if such lands come within the classification of lands described in section 3 Deceded to of chapter 154, Laws of 1923, the state forest board state forest may select any or all of the lands so offered to become a part of state forest lands; and upon such selection by the state forest board the board of county commissioners is authorized to deed such lands to the State of Washington for state forest lands; and upon such deed being made the commissioner of public lands shall be notified and enter and note upon the records of his office such lands in ac- Recorded in cordance with the provisions of section 9 of chapter 154, Laws of 1923.

Such lands shall be held in trust and administered and protected by the said board under the provisions of chapter 154, Laws of 1923, or any amendments thereto. Any monies derived from the Disposition lease of such lands or from the sale of forest products, oils, gases, coal, minerals or fossils therefrom, shall be distributed as follows:

The expense incurred by the state for ad- Return to (a) ministration, reforestation and protection, shall be for expenses. returned to the general fund of the state treasury.

violating

state for lands

land office.

Lands held in trust by board.

of proceeds from such lands.

Forest development fund.

Balance to county.

(b) Ten per centum thereof shall be placed in the forest development fund of the state treasury.

(c) Any balance remaining shall be paid to the county in which the lands are located to be paid, distributed and pro-rated to the various funds in the same manner as general taxes are paid and distributed during the year of such payment.

Passed the House March 9, 1927.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1927.

Approved by the Governor, with the exception of section 1, which is vetoed, March 21, 1927.

CHAPTER 289.

[H. B. 205.]

POWERS AND DUTIES OF DIRECTORS OF SCHOOL DIS-TRICTS OF THE SECOND AND THIRD CLASS.

An Act relating to powers and duties of directors of school districts of the second and third class in relation to buildings, and amending section 4819 of Remington's Compiled Statutes.

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

SECTION 1. That section 4819 of Remington's Compiled Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 4819. The board shall build or remove schoolhouses and teachers' cottages, purchase or sell lots or other real estate when directed by a vote of the district to do so and where the district shall possess a schoolhouse upon a site owned by such district the board may by unanimous vote of all the members thereof purchase or lease additional real estate adjacent to such site; *Provided*, That a schoolhouse, or other building, already built on a site which has been selected by a majority vote of the legal school electors of a district shall not be removed to a new site without a two-thirds vote of the school electors voting at an annual or special elec-

§ 5023, Pierce's Code.

Schoolhouses and teachers' cottages.

May build or remove.

Purchase and lease real estate.

Change of school site.