

CHAPTER 132.

[H. B. 656.]

COLUMBIA BASIN COMMISSION.

AN ACT relating to the powers of the Columbia Basin commission for the development of the Columbia Basin project; defining its powers and duties; amending section 2 of chapter 81 of the Session Laws of 1933; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That section 2 of chapter 81 of the Session Laws of 1933, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Amends § 2, ch. 81, Laws of 1933.

Section 2. a. The said commission is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contracts and employ any and all means and pursue any and all plans it may deem advisable to secure the early construction of the Columbia basin project: *Provided*, That the commission shall not make any contract or enter into any agreement involving financial commitments greater than the appropriation provided in this act.

Columbia basin project.

b. The said commission is hereby further authorized and empowered to cooperate with the duly created commission or commissions of neighboring states in the preparation of suitable compacts and/or treaties between the neighboring states, or the United States, in the distribution or use of the water of the Columbia river and its tributaries: *Provided*, That such compacts and treaties shall not be binding on the State of Washington until confirmed by the legislature thereof.

Cooperation with other states and U. S.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and the support of the state government and its

Effective immediately.

existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House March 11, 1935.

Passed the Senate March 13, 1935.

Approved by the Governor March 20, 1935.

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## CHAPTER 133.

[H. B. 191.]

### ELECTIONS: PORT DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to the organization of port districts, comprising an area less than the entire county, relating to the district elections therein, the officers thereof and their terms of office and the manner of holding and canvassing the returns of such election.

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

Port districts.

SECTION 1. In every port district comprising an area less than the entire county in which it is located, except port districts in class A and first class counties all elections for the election of port commissioners or the submission of one or more propositions shall be held at the same time as the general biennial election is held in such county: *Provided*, That if the petition for the organization of such port district so requests, the first election of commissioners may be held at a special election which shall be called and held in the manner provided by law for special organization elections for such port districts.

Time of election.

Special elections.

Term of office.

SEC. 2. In every such port district the term of office of each port commissioner shall be as herein after specified.

Election of commissioners.

SEC. 3. At the next general election after the taking effect of this act there shall be a commissioner elected for commissioner's district No. 2 to