SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the state government and its existing public institutions and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 5, 1935.
Passed the House March 14, 1935.
Approved by the Governor March 20, 1935.

CHAPTER 95.
[S. B. 34.]

TAXES ON DOGS.

An Act relating to dogs, providing for the assessment and collection of annual taxes thereon, and amending section 1 of chapter 198, Session Laws of 1929.

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

Section 1. That section 1 of chapter 198 of the Laws of 1929 be amended to read as follows:

In each county which elects to proceed under this act, which election shall be by the vote of its board of county commissioners, it shall be the duty of each county and township assessor annually, at the time of assessing personal property, to make a list of all persons who own or keep a dog or dogs outside the corporated limits of any city and to set opposite the name of each owner or keeper the number of dogs owned or kept, stating whether male, sterilized female, or unsterilized female, and to assess against every such owner or keeper a license tax as follows:

For each male dog.............................$1.00
For each sterilized female dog.................... 1.00
For each unsterilized female dog............... 2.50

Provided, That for dogs kept in kennels for breeding, sale or sporting purposes an individual license tax shall not be assessed, but the owner or
CHAPTER 96.  
[S. B. 38.]

COLLECTION OF WAGES IN PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT.

An Act to regulate the payment of wages or compensation for labor or service in private employments, providing penalties for violations of its provisions, authorizing the director of labor and industries to enforce this act, defining the duties of prosecuting attorneys relative to its enforcement, and providing for the collection of certain penalties by civil action at the direction of such director.

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

Section 1. The director of labor and industries shall have the power and authority, when in his judgment he deems it necessary, to take assignments of wage claims and prosecute actions for the collection of wages of persons who are financially unable to employ counsel in cases in which, in the judgment of the director, the claims for wages are valid and enforceable in the courts; and the said director, and any supervisor and any other person in the employ of the department of labor and industries, duly designated by them, or either or any of them, shall have authority to issue subpoenas, to compel the attendance of witnesses or parties and the production of books, papers or records, and to administer oaths and to examine witnesses under oath, and to take the verification of proof of instruments of writing.