CHAPTER 24.
[S. B. 132.]

POLICE RELIEF AND PENSION FUNDS.

An Act relating to police relief and pension funds in cities of the first-class, providing for the distribution of such funds and designating the beneficiaries; defining the powers and duties of certain officials and amending sections 9582, 9583, 9585, 9586, 9588 of Remington's Revised Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That section 9582 of Remington's Revised Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 9582. Whenever any person at the taking effect of this act, or thereafter, shall have been duly appointed, and shall have served honorably for a period of twenty-five (25) years or more, as a member, in any capacity of the regularly constituted police department of any such city which may be subject to the provisions of this act, the board shall be empowered to order and direct that such person be retired from such police department, and the board shall retire any member so entitled as hereinbefore provided for, upon his written request for same, and such member so retired shall be paid from such fund during his lifetime a yearly pension which shall be equal to fifty (50) per cent of the amount of salary attached to the rank held by such retired member for the year preceding said date of such retirement: Provided, That no monthly pension allowed any member of the police department of any city which may be subject to the provisions of this act, shall exceed the amount of one hundred twenty-five ($125.00) dollars per month: Provided, further, That the auditor, city comptroller or officer whose duty it is to draw warrants, in making out warrants for the monthly salaries shall not deduct or withhold any part or percentage from any members' salary in
excess of the amount deducted or withheld from the maximum salary rate on which the amount not exceeding one hundred twenty-five ($125.00) dollars the monthly pension is based.

Sec. 2. That section 9583 of Remington’s Revised Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 9583. Whenever any person, while serving as a policeman in any such city shall become physically disabled by reason of any bodily injury received in the immediate or direct performance or discharge of his duties as such policeman, or become incapacitated for service, said incapacity not having been caused or brought on by dissipation or abuse, of which the board shall be judge, said board may, upon his written request filed with the secretary of said board, or without such written request, if it deems it to be for the benefit of the public, retire such person from said department, and order and direct that he shall be paid from said fund during his lifetime, a yearly pension equal to one-half of the amount of salary attached to the rank which he may have held in said police department at the date of such retirement, but not to exceed one hundred twenty-five ($125.00) dollars per month: Provided, That whenever such disability shall cease, such pension shall cease, and such person shall be restored to active service at the same salary he received at the time of his retirement.

Sec. 3. That section 9585 of Remington’s Revised Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 9585. Whenever any member of the police department of any such city shall lose his life through violence while actually engaged in the performance of his duty as such police officer, leaving a widow or child or children under the age of sixteen years, then upon satisfactory proof of such facts made to it, such board shall order and direct that a yearly pension, equal to one-half of the amount of
the salary attached to the rank which such member held in said police department at the time of his death, shall be paid to such widow during her life, or if no widow, then to the child or children, until they shall be sixteen years of age: Provided, That if such widow or child or children, shall marry, then such person so marrying shall thereafter receive no further pension from such fund: Provided, further, That if any member, so losing his life, leaves no wife, or child or children, under the age of sixteen years, then the said board shall pay the sum of not more than one hundred and fifty ($150.00) dollars toward the funeral expenses of such member.

Sec. 4. That section 9586 of Remington's Revised Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 9586. Whenever any member of the police department of such city shall, after five years of service in said department, die, then his widow, or child, or children under the age of sixteen years, or if there be no widow or children, then his parents or unmarried sister, minor brother or brothers, dependent upon him for support, shall be entitled to the sum of one thousand ($1,000.00) dollars from such fund. This section to apply to members who shall have been retired, for any reason, from active service under the provisions of this act.

Sec. 5. That section 9588 of Remington's Revised Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 9588. Whenever any person who shall have received any benefit from said fund shall be convicted of any felony, or shall become an habitual drunkard, or shall fail to report himself for examination for duty as required herein, unless excused by the board, or shall disobey the requirements of said board then such board shall order and direct that such pension or allowance that may have been granted to such person shall immediately cease, and such person shall receive no further pension or al-
lowance or benefit under this act, but in lieu thereof the said pension or allowance or benefit may, at the discretion of the board, be paid to those immediately dependent upon him, or to his legally appointed guardian.

Sec. 6. Nothing contained in this act shall affect or be construed as affecting the validity of any act done, obligation entered into, or rights accrued, or any proceedings had or pending under the act of which this act is amendatory.

Sec. 7. If any section or part of this act shall be held to be unconstitutional and void, such holding shall not effect the remaining portions of the act.

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Passed the House February 17, 1937.
Approved by the Governor February 24, 1937.

CHAPTER 25.

[H. B. 334.]

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION ESTABLISHED AT WENATCHEE.

An Act establishing a branch of the Washington agricultural experiment station for the tree fruit industry at Wenatchee and making an appropriation therefor.

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

Section 1. The board of regents of the state college of Washington is hereby authorized to establish and maintain at Wenatchee, a substation of the Washington agricultural experiment station, for the purpose of conducting investigational work upon the principles and practices of orchard culture, spray residue removal, developing of insecticides non-toxic to humans, fertilization, pollenization, testing of new fruit varieties, improving the method of combating fruit diseases and insect pests, research for the pur-