of this act, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment or decree shall have been rendered. The legislature hereby declares that it would have passed this act, and each section, sub-section, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, sub-sections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

SEC. 24. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed: Provided, That none of the laws of this state pertaining to the state or municipal boards of health, or rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, shall be affected by this act.

Passed the Senate March 4, 1939.

Passed the House March 7, 1939.

Approved by the Governor March 12, 1939, with the exception of section 24, which is vetoed.

CHAPTER 113.

[S. B. 422.]

MILITARY LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

An Act relating to public employees, providing for the granting of military leave, and declaring that this act shall take effect April 1, 1939.

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

SECTION 1. Every officer and employee of the State of Washington or of any county, city or other political sub-division thereof who is a member of the Washington National Guard or of the Army, Navy or Marine Corps Reserve of the United States, or of any organized reserve or armed forces of the
United States, shall be entitled to and shall be granted military leave of absence from such employment for a period not exceeding fifteen (15) days during each calendar year, which leave shall be granted in order that such person shall take part in active training duty in such manner and at such time as such person shall be ordered to active training duty. Such military leave of absence shall be in addition to any vacation or sick leave to which such officer or employee might otherwise be entitled, and shall not involve any loss of the efficiency rating, privileges or pay of such officer or employee. During the period of such military leave such officer or employee shall receive from the State of Washington, or the county, city or other political subdivision, his normal pay, less the amount of the base pay by him received for the performance of such active training duty, and proof of the amount and receipt of the base pay for such service shall be made in such manner and upon such certificate as the State Auditor of the State of Washington may require.

**Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, health and safety of the State of Washington, and for the support of the state government and its existing institutions and shall take effect on the first day of April, 1939.

Passed the Senate March 2, 1939.
Passed the House March 7, 1939.
Approved by the Governor March 12, 1939.