

CHAPTER 219.

[H. B. 154.]

PROBATE.

AN ACT relating to probate and providing for proof of wills by proving the signatures of the testator and of the subscribing witnesses who are engaged with the armed forces of the United States or employed on a vessel of the United States Merchant Marine, or dead, insane, or absent from the state, or unavailable for any cause found by the Superior Court to be sufficient; and amending section 12, chapter 156, Laws of 1917 (section 1382, Remington's Revised Statutes; section 10051, Pierce's Code).

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

Amendments. SECTION 1. Section 12, chapter 156, Laws of 1917 (section 1382, Remington's Revised Statutes; section 10051, Pierce's Code), is amended to read as follows:

Proof by witness in armed services.

Section 12. When one of the witnesses to any such will shall be examined and the other witness or witnesses are engaged with the armed forces of the United States, or employed on a vessel of the United States Merchant Marine, or dead, insane, their residence unknown, or absent from the state, or for any other cause deemed by written order of the Superior Court to be sufficient, then proof shall be taken of the handwriting of the testator and of such other witness, and all such other circumstances as would tend to prove such will.

If it should appear to the satisfaction of the Court that all the subscribing witnesses to any such will are with the armed forces of the United States, or employed on a vessel of the United States Merchant Marine, or dead, insane, their residence unknown, or for any other cause deemed by written order of the Superior Court to be sufficient, the Court shall take and receive proof of the handwriting of the testator and subscribing witnesses to the will and such other

facts and circumstances as would tend to prove such will.

Passed the House February 11, 1943.

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Approved by the Governor March 20, 1943.

CHAPTER 220.

[H. B. 159.]

NURSERY SCHOOLS.

AN ACT relating to education, providing for the establishment of nursery schools and schools for care of children of working mothers, authorizing school districts to operate other educational programs in cooperation with the Federal government, empowering the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to make rules and regulations relating thereto, providing for the supervision, authorizing the receipt and administration of Federal funds for educational purposes, making an appropriation therefor and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. School districts are hereby authorized to establish and maintain, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, nursery schools for children of mothers working in war industries and other occupations and/or to provide before and after school and vacation care for children of working mothers, and to operate any other educational program sponsored and/or supported by the Federal Government.

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authorized.

SEC. 2. To carry out the purpose of section 1 of this act, there is hereby appropriated from the general fund to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). Expenditures under this appropriation shall be made by warrants issued by the State Auditor upon certificates issued by the Superintendent of

Appropriation.