existing public institutions and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House February 26, 1945. Passed the Senate March 6, 1945. Approved by the Governor March 16, 1945.

## CHAPTER 234.

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REVISION OF STATE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM.

An Act relating to state government; providing for revision of the accounting system presently being used by state agencies; defining the powers and duties of certain state officers in connection therewith; making an appropriation, and declaring that this act shall take effect April 1, 1945.

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

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Governor, Accounting Revision the State Auditor and the Director of Finance, Bud- Committee. get and Business, acting ex officio in the capacity of an Accounting Revision Committee to initiate, supervise and carry through to completion a thorough study and analysis of the accounting system or systems presently being used by the various state offices, departments, commissions, institutions and other agencies and to install a new and revised uniform system based upon the results of such studies and analysis. The Committee shall have power to Powers and duties. employ a competent, qualified public accountant to serve as chief reviser who shall have general charge and supervision of the necessary studies and analyses and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Committee. It shall be the duty of the chief reviser to make all the necessary surveys of the present accounting records, to make the analyses prerequisite to a proper understanding of the accounting requirements of the various state offices, departments, commissions, institutions and other

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agencies, and to devise and supervise, subject to the approval of the Revision Committee, the installation of a modern and adequate system of acchief reviser. counting. The chief reviser shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Committee. He shall have power, with the approval of the Committee, to employ such qualified accountants and other assistants as may be necessary to the performance of his duties. The Revision Committee shall organize and proceed with its work as soon as possible after April 1, 1945.

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Sec. 2. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, there is hereby appropriated to the Revision Committee from the general fund for the fiscal biennium ending March 31, 1947, the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary.

Effective immediately.

Sec. 3. This act is necessary for the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect April 1, 1945.

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Passed the Senate March 6, 1945.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1945.