

ment and its existing public institutions and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 17.

[H. B. 18.]

RELATING TO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

AN ACT relating to institutions of higher education, authorizing such institutions to construct certain buildings, to acquire by purchase or lease lands and appurtenances, to lease portions of the campus and other property, to borrow money, issue and reissue bonds to pledge rents and other income; amending section 1, Chapter 91, Laws of 1925, Extraordinary Session, as last amended by section 1, Chapter 64, Laws of 1947 (sec. 4543-1, Rem. Supp. 1947), and declaring an emergency.

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

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 91, Laws of 1925, Extraordinary Session, as last amended by section 1, chapter 64, Laws of 1947 (sec. 4543-1, Rem. Supp. 1947) is amended to read as follows:

Regents and trustees may contract for construction of buildings.

Section 1. The Boards of Regents of the University of Washington and of the State College of Washington and the boards of trustees of the Colleges of Education at Ellensburg, Cheney and Bellingham, Washington, are hereby authorized to enter into contracts with persons, firms, or corporations for the erection of buildings for dormitory, hospital, and infirmary, student, faculty and employee housing and boarding purposes, and for student activities; and said boards are further authorized to purchase or lease lands and other appurtenances necessary for the construction of such buildings and to purchase or lease lands with buildings constructed thereon suitable for the purposes aforesaid; and said boards are

May purchase or lease lands.

also authorized to lease to any persons, firms, or corporations such portions of the campus of their respective institutions as may be necessary for the construction of buildings for the purposes aforesaid and the reasonable use thereof, and said boards of regents and trustees are hereby authorized to borrow money for the erection of the said buildings and appurtenances and to issue revenue bonds therefor and to refinance the same before or at maturity and to provide for the amortization of said bonds from the income derived from rentals and/or fees exacted for the use or facilities of said buildings and of any other dormitory, hospital, infirmary, housing, boarding, or student activity building in the respective institutions: *Provided*, That the State of Washington shall incur no liability by reason of exercise of the authority hereby granted to the said boards of regents and trustees aforesaid, other than as herein-after specifically set forth: *And provided further*, That such lands, buildings, or appurtenances shall be used solely for such dormitory, hospital, infirmary, housing, boarding, or student activities in such institutions. Said boards of regents and trustees are hereby authorized to contract to pay as rental or otherwise, or to issue bonds, for a sum sufficient to pay, on the amortization plan, the principal and interest thereon, or the purchase price of said lands and buildings, or the erection costs of said buildings or appurtenances, such contract or bonds to run not over forty years from the date of financing or refinancing. The rate of interest on the principal on any such purchase or erection cost or on any bond shall not exceed seven per cent (7%) per annum, payable semi-annually or annually as determined by said bonds.

May lease to others portions of campus.

May issue revenue bonds.

State not liable.

Use of property restricted.

Forty year limitation.

Interest rate.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety,

Emergency.

the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 18.

[H. B. 15.]

CLASSIFICATION OF SEVENTH, EIGHTH, AND NINTH CLASS COUNTIES.

AN ACT providing a method for the classification of seventh, eighth and ninth class counties; providing for a referendum thereon, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. No change from the 1940 census in the classification of seventh, eighth and ninth class counties as provided by section 1, chapter 200, Laws of 1949 (sec. 4200-5a, Rem. 1949 Supp.) and section 1, chapter 26, Laws of 1941 (sec. 4200-1a, Rem. 1941 Supp.) shall occur until the board of county commissioners of each such respective county shall make an order reclassifying such county: *Provided*, That such order shall be made within ninety (90) days after the issuance of the Federal Official Preliminary Estimate of the population for such county: *Provided, further*, That if no order of reclassification be made by the board of county commissioners, then and in such event, the Federal Official Preliminary Estimate or the Final Certificate of the Census of 1950 shall be considered as showing the actual population of such county.

Order of re-classification.

Population if no order made.

Order not effective for sixty days.

Referendum petition.

SEC. 2. Such order of reclassification shall not become effective until sixty (60) days after such order is made. During such period of sixty (60) days a referendum may be commenced by a petition filed