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:

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:

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
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, board-
ing, 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 re-
gents and trustees aforesaid, other than as hereinafter
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 in-
stitutions. 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 in-
terest 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 re-
financing. 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.

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

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