CHAPTER 9. [H.B.22.]

APPROPRIATION—FOREST RESERVE FUND.

AN ACT relating to the forest reserve fund and making an appropriation therefrom for distribution to counties.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from Appropriathe forest reserve fund the sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, for distribution to counties as provided by chapter 185, Laws of 1907: Provided, That expenditures hereunder shall be limited to monies received from the federal government.

Passed the House September 1, 1951. Passed the Senate September 1, 1951. Approved by the Governor September 6, 1951.

CHAPTER 10. [H.B. 38.]

STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

AN ACT relating to the state employees' retirement system; providing optional retirement allowances and validating certain elections of options, and amending section 41.40.290, R.C.W.

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

SECTION 1. Section 41.40.290, R.C.W., as derived Amendment. from section 2, chapter 141, Laws of 1951, is amended to read as follows:

Any member may elect, in accordance with the Election provisions of this section and in lieu of a regular allowances. retirement allowance payable throughout life with termination at death, to receive as an optional retirement allowance the actuarial equivalent, at the time of his retirement, of his regular retirement allow-

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ance in accordance with the provisions of options I, II, and III, as hereinafter set forth: *Provided*, That any member who, after June 6, 1951, and prior to the effective date of this act, attempted to make an election of option but which election was invalid under laws then in force either because of failure (1) to file written election of option within twelve months before date of his retirement, or (2) to pass a satisfactory health examination at the time of making such election, shall nevertheless be deemed to have made a valid election of option. No election of an optional retirement allowance shall be effective in case the member making such election dies before his actual retirement date: Provided, however, That any option selected in writing by any member who shall have heretofore died or who shall hereafter die while still in service at an attained age of seventy years or more shall be effective and in any such case if no such option shall have been selected, then option II shall automatically be given effect as if in fact selected for the benefit of the surviving spouse, unless such spouse shall elect to take payment [under] R.C.W. 41.40.270.

Option I.

Option I. If he dies before the total of the annuity portions of the retirement allowance paid to him equals the amount of his accumulated contributions at the time of retirement, then the balance shall be paid to such person or persons having an insurable interest in his life, as he shall have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the retirement board, or if there be no such designated person or persons, then to his legal representatives; or

Option II. Upon his death his reduced retirement allowance shall be continued throughout the life of and paid to such person, having an insurable interest in his life, as he shall have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the retirement board at the time of his retirement; or

Option III. Upon his death, one-half of his re- Option III. duced retirement allowance shall be continued throughout the life of and paid to such person, having an insurable interest in his life, as he shall have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the retirement board at the time of his retirement.

[Formerly Rem. Supp. 1949, § 11072-30.]

[R.C.W. 41.40.270 was derived from section 1, chapter 141, Laws of 1951 (formerly Rem. Supp. 1949, § 11072-28).]

Passed the House September 1, 1951.

Passed the Senate September 1, 1951.

Approved by the Governor September 6, 1951.

CHAPTER 11.

[H.B.16.]

APPROPRIATION-FISH RESTORATION AND MANAGEMENT PROJECTS.

AN ACT relating to fish restoration and management projects; appropriating the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of chapter 124, Laws of 1951, and the act of congress approved August 9, 1950 (Public, No. 681, 81st Congress), and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the Appropriastate game fund to the state department of game the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, for fish restoration and management projects in accordance with chapter 124, Laws of 1951, and the act of congress approved August 9, 1950 (Public, No. 681, 81st Congress): *Provided*, That expenditures herefrom shall be limited to approved projects upon which