AN ACT authorizing study and, if feasible, construction by the Washington toll bridge authority of a toll road from the vicinity of Tacoma through Seattle to the vicinity of Everett; appropriating funds therefor; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. The Washington toll bridge authority is hereby authorized to study and if feasible, after approval by the state highway commission, to locate, construct, finance and operate as a toll road, until paid for, an express highway from the vicinity of Tacoma through Seattle to the vicinity of Everett. Right-of-way shall be acquired as a limited access facility.

SEC. 2. The toll road, when completed, shall become part of the state highway system but may be operated as a toll highway by the Washington toll bridge authority until such time as all costs of investigation, financing, acquisition of property, construction, maintenance, management, operation, repayment of advances from the motor vehicle fund, and obligations incurred under section 47.56.250, RCW, and chapter 16, Laws of 1945, have been fully paid.

SEC. 3. The Washington toll bridge authority shall have the same powers, duties and functions with respect to toll roads as it now has with respect to toll bridges and all the provisions of chapter 47.56, RCW, shall apply to and govern toll roads in so far as is reasonably consistent and applicable, except as otherwise provided in this act.
Sec. 4. There is hereby appropriated from the motor vehicle fund to the authority revolving fund the sum of five hundred thousand dollars.

Sec. 5. There is hereby appropriated from the authority revolving fund to the Washington toll bridge authority the sum of five hundred thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of section 1.

Sec. 6. 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.

Passed the Senate February 19, 1953.

Passed the House March 9, 1953.

Approved by the Governor March 18, 1953, with the exception of section 6, which is vetoed.

CHAPTER 184.
[S.B. 390.]

STATE GOVERNMENT—FISCAL YEAR—FISCAL BIENNium—REPORTS.

An Act relating to state budgetary and fiscal affairs; defining the fiscal year; specifying the fiscal years to be covered in certain reports; amending sections 1.16.020 and 43.86.140, RCW.

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

Section 1. Section 43.86.140, RCW, as derived from section 1, chapter 9, Laws of 1925, is amended to read as follows:

The term "department" as used in this chapter includes every elective office of the state government, every state department, institution, board, commission, committee, or other administrative unit expending state funds.