CHAPTER 187.
[ S. E. 67. ]

STATE OFFICE BUILDING AT OLYMPIA.

An Act relating to state government; authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of a new office building; prescribing purposes for which the proceeds shall be used; defining powers of the state capitol committee; amending sections 1, 2 and 7, chapter 22, Laws of 1951 (uncodified); making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency and an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 22, Laws of 1951 (uncodified), is amended to read as follows:

The state capitol committee may issue coupon or registered bonds of the state in an amount not to exceed four million three hundred thousand dollars. The bonds shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed four percent per annum, both principal and interest to be payable only from revenues hereafter received from leases and contracts of sale heretofore or hereafter made of lands, timber, and other products from the surface or beneath the surface of the lands granted to the state by the United States pursuant to the act of congress approved February 22, 1889, for capitol building purposes.

SECTION 2. Section 2, chapter 22, Laws of 1951 (uncodified), is amended to read as follows:

Such bonds may be sold in such manner and in such amount, in such denominations, and at such times as the capitol committee shall determine, at the best price obtainable, but not for a sum so low as to make the net interest return to the purchaser exceed four percent per annum as computed by standard tables upon such sums.

SECTION 3. Section 7, chapter 22, Laws of 1951 (uncodified), is amended to read as follows:
Proceeds of the bonds issued hereunder shall be expended by the state capitol committee in the selection and acquisition, by purchase or condemnation, of suitable grounds adjacent to the present capitol grounds, in the construction thereon of a modern office-type building and in furnishing the same. Said building shall be reinforced concrete construction, but devoid of stone facing or decorative features. The building shall contain not less than one hundred ten thousand square feet of floor space and shall include an auditorium or hearing room of reasonable size. Provision shall be made for adequate garage and parking facilities. The plans for the building shall make provision for the later addition if necessary of another wing to the building.

The public printer, and such other state agencies, departments, and offices, as may from time to time be assigned by the director of public institutions, shall be housed in said building. In selecting plans for the construction of the building and use of the grounds, the committee shall consider recommendations of the director of public institutions for the purpose of coordinating such plans with the over-all office space needs of the various state departments.

Sec. 4. There is appropriated to the state capitol committee from the capitol building construction fund for the biennium ending March 31, 1955, for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of chapter 22, Laws of 1951, as amended by this act, the sum of two million one hundred fifty-nine thousand three hundred thirty-nine dollars and two cents, or so much thereof as may be necessary, being the unexpended balance of the amount appropriated by said chapter 22, Laws of 1951, for the biennium ending March 31, 1953. There is further appropriated to the state capitol committee from the capitol building construction fund for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of chapter 22, Laws of 1951, as amended by
this act, the additional sum of one million eight hundred fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

**Sec. 5.** This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, support of the state government and its existing public institutions and shall take effect April 1, 1953.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1953.
Passed the House March 9, 1953.
Approved by the Governor March 18, 1953.

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**CHAPTER 188.**

[S.B. 91.]

**INQUESTS, AUTOPSIES AND POST MORTEMS—STATE TOXICOLOGICAL LABORATORY.**

An Act relating to jurisdiction over inquests, autopsies and post-mortems in certain cases; prescribing the powers and duties of certain officers; providing certain procedures; defining crimes and prescribing certain penalties; determining responsibility for certain costs; amending sections 68.08-.010, 68.08.100, 36.24.020, 36.24.070, and 70.58.180, RCW; adding new sections to chapter 68.08, RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

**Section 1.** Section 68.08.010, RCW, as derived from section 3, chapter 90, Laws of 1917, is amended to read as follows:

The jurisdiction of bodies of all deceased persons who come to their death suddenly without medical attendance, or where the circumstances of death indicate death was caused by unnatural or unlawful means, or suspicious circumstances, or bodies upon which a coroner's autopsy or post-mortem or coroner's inquest is to be held, or dead bodies not claimed by relatives or friends, is hereby vested in the county coroner, which bodies may be placed in