shall recite that the property of the district has been disposed of, that the proceeds therefrom have been paid to the treasurer, and contain a full accounting of the property and proceeds. Thereupon the secretary shall issue to the supervisors a certificate of dissolution and file a copy thereof in his records.

Sec. 28. (RCW 89.08.380) A dissolution of a district shall not affect any contracts or obligations of the district. Upon the issuance of the certificate of dissolution, the committee shall be substituted for the supervisors and it shall assume all the duties, liabilities, and powers of the supervisors.

When a petition for the dissolution of a district is rejected, no new petition may be filed for a period of five years.

Sec. 29. Sections 9 through 12, chapter 187, Laws of 1939 and RCW 89.08.230 through 89.08.330 are each repealed.

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CHAPTER 305.
[ S. B. 244. ]

PSYCHOLOGISTS.

An Act relating to psychologists; providing for their certification; creating an examining board and giving it certain powers and duties; and defining crimes and providing penalties.

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

Section 1. When used in this act:
(1) "Director" means director of licenses;
(2) "Board" means the examining board created by this act.
Sec. 2. On and after six months from the effective date of this act it shall be unlawful for any person in the state of Washington to use the title "certified psychologist" unless the director has issued to him a certificate as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 3. There is hereby created an examining board of psychology, hereinafter referred to as the board, which shall be charged with the duty of examining the qualifications of applicants for certification. The board shall consist of five persons appointed by the director. Each member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States, over twenty-one years of age who shall have actively practiced psychology in the state of Washington, for at least three years immediately preceding his appointment, and who is, in the case of the first members of the board, entitled to certification under this act. The director shall appoint the board within thirty days after the effective date of this act. At the first meeting of the board the members shall determine by lot one member to serve for three years, two members to serve for two years and two members to serve one year. Upon the expiration of each member's term, the director shall appoint a certified psychologist as successor who shall serve for a term of three years. Upon the death, resignation, or removal of a member, the director shall appoint a successor to serve for the unexpired term. The board shall elect one of its members to serve as chairman.

Sec. 4. The first meeting of the board shall be held within thirty days after the appointment of the board at a specific time and place designated by the director. Thereafter the board shall meet at least once a year and at as many other times as the board deems appropriate to proper discharge of its duties. All meetings shall be held in Olympia, Washington,
at a place designated by the director. Four members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

**Sec. 5.** It shall be the duty of the board to:

1. Examine the qualifications of applicants for certification under this act, to determine which applicants are eligible for certification hereunder and forward to the director the names of applicants so eligible.

2. Prepare, give and grade such examinations to applicants as are required by the terms of this act. The board shall determine the scope and length of such examinations, whether such examinations shall be oral or written or both and what score shall be deemed a passing score. The board may designate one or more of its members to personally supervise the taking of the examinations by applicants.

3. Keep a complete record of its own proceedings, of the questions given in examinations, of the names and qualifications of all applicants, the names and addresses of all certified psychologists. The examination paper of such applicant shall be kept on file for a period of at least one year after examination.

**Sec. 6.** Each applicant for a certificate shall file with the director an application duly verified, in such form and setting forth such information as the board shall prescribe. An application fee in the sum of twenty-five dollars shall accompany each application.

**Sec. 7.** An applicant for the title of “certified psychologist” must submit proof to the board that:

1. He is of good moral character.

2. He holds the degree of doctor of philosophy with a major in psychology from an accredited institution of higher learning, or that he holds a doctor’s degree from an accredited institution of higher learning in a related field and has had at
least two years experience practicing psychology under qualified supervision.

(3) He is professionally competent by passing an examination in psychology prescribed by the board and covering the basic subject matter of psychology and psychological skills and techniques: Provided, That persons holding the degree of doctor of philosophy or doctor of education or master of arts or master of sciences with major in psychology from an accredited institution of higher learning who have practiced psychology for a period of five years or its equivalent in part time employment, at least one year of which shall have been in the state of Washington prior to the date of application and who submit to the board proof of good moral character shall be granted the title of "certified psychologist" without taking any examination, if such persons apply for such certificate within six months after the effective date of this act.

Any applicant who shall fail to make the required grade in his examination shall be entitled to another examination the next time such examination is administered.

Sec. 8. Upon forwarding to the director by the board of the name of each applicant entitled to a certificate under this act, the director shall promptly issue to such applicant a certificate authorizing such applicant to use the title "certified psychologist" for a period of one year. Said certificate shall be in such form as the director shall determine. Each certified psychologist shall keep his certificate displayed in a conspicuous place in his principal place of business.

Sec. 9. Each certified psychologist may renew his certificate by paying to the state treasurer, on or before the tenth day of January of each year, a renewal fee in the amount of ten dollars. Upon receipt of such payment by the state treasurer the director
shall issue a certificate of renewal in such form as the director shall determine.

SEC. 10. Failure to renew a certificate as herein provided shall suspend such certificate: Provided, That a certificate holder whose certificate has been suspended for failure to renew may reinstate such certificate by paying to the state treasurer the renewal fees for all of the years in which such failure occurred, together with a renewal fee for the current year.

SEC. 11. Confidential communications between a client and a certified psychologist shall be privileged against compulsory disclosure to the same extent and subject to the same conditions as confidential communications between attorney and client.

SEC. 12. The director shall refuse to grant a certificate to any applicant and shall revoke or suspend any certificate upon proof of the following:

1. Conviction of crime involving moral turpitude;
2. Habitual use of narcotics, or any other substance which impairs the intellect and judgment to such an extent as to incapacitate the applicant or certificate holder for the practice of psychology;
3. Habitual drunkenness;
4. Violation of the provisions of this act;
5. The unethical practice of psychology.

SEC. 13. Within the meaning of this act unethical practice of psychology shall include the following:

1. Wilfully misleading a client or furnishing a client with information known to be erroneous.
2. The offering of any psychological services entirely by mail, the use of untrained personnel or of mechanical devices alone in the interpretation of test results, the indiscriminate dissemination of psychological testing materials.
(3) The employment of psychological techniques for entertainment, or other purposes not consistent with the development of psychology as a science.

(4) Engaging in individual psychological diagnosis or treatment in the course of public lectures or demonstrations, newspaper or magazine articles, radio or television programs, or similar media.

Sec. 14. Certificates issued pursuant to this act may be suspended or revoked in the manner provided in RCW 43.24.110.

Sec. 15. In all proceedings having for their purpose the revocation or suspension of a certificate, the holder of such certificate shall be given twenty days' notice in writing by the director, which notice shall specify the offense or offenses against this act with which said accused person is charged, and said notice shall also give the day and place where the hearing is to be held, which place of hearing shall be in the city of Olympia, Washington, unless a different place shall be fixed by the director. The director shall have the power to issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses or the production of books or documents. The accused person shall have the opportunity to make his defense and may have issued such subpoenas as he may desire. Subpoenas shall be served in the same manner as in civil cases in the superior court. Witnesses shall testify under oath administered by the director. Testimony should be taken in writing and may be taken by deposition under such rules as the director may prescribe. The committee appointed pursuant to RCW 43.24.110, shall hear and determine the charges and shall make findings and conclusions on the evidence produced and shall file the same in the director's office, together with a transcript of all evidence, a duplicate copy of which shall be served upon the accused. The revocation or suspension of the certificate shall be
in writing, signed by the director, stating the ground upon which such order is based.

Sec. 16. Any person feeling himself aggrieved by the refusal of the director to issue a certificate as provided in this act, or to renew the same, or by the revocation or suspension of a certificate issued pursuant to the provisions of this act, shall have the right to appeal from such order within fifteen days after a copy of such order is served upon him to the superior court of any county, which court shall hear such matter de novo, and appeal shall lie to the supreme court of the state from the judgment of the said superior court in the same manner as provided by law in other civil cases.

Sec. 17. The board shall be empowered to enter into reciprocal agreements with other states or territories of the United States which have certified or licensed psychologists. Any applicant for a certificate who has been examined by the board of psychology in any of the states or territories of the United States which through reciprocity similarly accredits the holder of a certificate issued by the board of psychology of the state of Washington, may on the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars and on filing in the office of the board a true and attested copy of said certificate, showing the same and also showing that the standard of requirements adopted and enforced by said board is equal to that provided by this act, shall without further examination receive the certificate: Provided, That such applicant has not previously failed at any examination held by the board of psychology of the state of Washington.

Sec. 18. It shall be a gross misdemeanor for any person to:

(1) Use in connection with his or her name any designation tending to imply that he or she is a certified psychologist unless duly certified under the provisions of this act;
(2) Practice as a certified psychologist during the time his or her certificate issued under the provisions of this act is suspended or revoked; or

(3) Otherwise violate any of the provisions of this act.

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CHAPTER 306.
[S. B. 305.]

WEIGHMASTERS.

AN ACT relating to weighmasters and amending section 6, chapter 146, Laws of 1953 and RCW 15.80.070.

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

SECTION 1. Section 6, chapter 146, Laws of 1953 and RCW 15.80.070 are each amended to read as follows:

Any person may make application to the director for a weighmaster's license. Application for a weighmaster's license shall be in writing on a form prescribed by the director. Each applicant shall furnish satisfactory evidence of good moral character, ability to weigh accurately and to make correct weight tickets. Upon receipt of the application together with satisfactory evidence of qualifications, on or before July 1 of any year, accompanied by a fee of fifteen dollars, the director shall issue an annual weighmaster's license. No weighmaster's license shall be issued to any applicant unless he owns or has under lease a motor truck scale of at least fifteen tons capacity, or to any applicant under the age of eighteen years, or to any person whose license issued under this chapter has been revoked: Provided, That, a weighmaster's license shall be issued to any licensed