CHAPTER 46.

[ H. B. 70. ]

FIRE DISTRICTS—EMPLOYEES' PENSIONS.
An Act adopting the provisions of chapter 41.16 RCW as a pension program for full time fire protection district firemen, and adding a new section to chapter 41.16 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 41.16 RCW, a new section to read as follows:

Any fire protection district having a full paid fire department may by resolution of its board of fire commissioners provide for the participation of its full time employees in a pension program in the same manner, with the same powers, and with the same force and effect as to such districts as the pension program provided by chapter 41.16 RCW for cities, towns and municipalities, or fire protection districts.

Passed the House February 1, 1955.
Passed the Senate February 16, 1955.
Approved by the Governor February 24, 1955.

CHAPTER 47.

[ H. B. 127. ]

WASHINGTON FRUIT COMMISSION—DEFINITIONS—DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS.
An Act relating to the Washington state fruit commission; amending section 1, chapter 73, Laws of 1947 and RCW 15.28.010, and section 22, chapter 73, Laws of 1947 and RCW 15.28.230.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 73, Laws of 1947 and RCW 15.28.010 are each amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter:

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"Commission." (1) "Commission" means the Washington state fruit commission.

"Shipment" or "shipped." (2) "Shipment" or "shipped" includes loading in a conveyance to be transported to market for resale, and includes delivery to a processor or processing plant, but does not include movement from the orchard where grown to a packing or storage plant within this state for fresh shipment;

"Handler." (3) "Handler" means any person who ships or initiates the shipping operation, whether as owner, agent or otherwise;

"Dealer." (4) "Dealer" means any person who handles, ships, buys, or sells soft tree fruits other than those grown by him, or who acts as sales or purchasing agent, broker, or factor of soft tree fruits;

"Processor" or "processing plant." (5) "Processor" or "processing plant" includes every person or plant receiving soft tree fruits for the purpose of drying, dehydrating, canning, pressing, powdering, extracting, cooking, quick-freezing, brining, or for use in manufacturing a product;

"Soft tree fruits." (6) "Soft tree fruits" mean Barlett pears and all varieties of cherries, apricots, prunes, plums and peaches;

"Commercial fruit" or "commercial grade." (7) "Commercial fruit" or "commercial grade" means soft tree fruits meeting the requirements of any established or recognized fresh fruit or processing grade. Fruit bought or sold on orchard run basis and not subject to cull weighback shall be deemed to be "commercial fruit."

"Cull grade." (8) "Cull grade" means fruit of lower than commercial grade except when such fruit included with commercial fruit does not exceed the permissible tolerance permitted in a commercial grade;

"Producer." (9) "Producer" means any person who is a grower of any soft tree fruit;

"District No. 1" or "first district." (10) "District No. 1" or "first district" includes the counties of Chelan, Okanogan, Grant, Douglas, Ferry, Stevens, Pend Oreille, Spokane and Lincoln;
(11) "District No. 2" or "second district" includes the counties of Kittitas, Yakima, Benton, Franklin, Walla Walla, Columbia, Asotin, Garfield, Whitman and Adams:

(12) "District No. 3" or "third district" comprises all of the state not included in the first and second districts.

SEC 2. Section 22, chapter 73, Laws of 1947 and RCW 15.28.230 are each amended to read as follows:

All assessments levied and imposed by this chapter shall be due prior to shipment and shall become delinquent if not paid within thirty days after the time established for such payment according to regulations of the commission. A delinquent penalty shall be payable on any such delinquent assessment, calculated as interest on the principal amount due at the rate of ten percent per annum. Any delinquent penalty shall not be charged back against the grower unless he caused such delay in payment of the assessment due.

Passed the House February 3, 1955.
Passed the Senate February 16, 1955.
Approved by the Governor February 24, 1955.

CHAPTER 48.
[ H. B. 147. ]

COUNTIES—ELECTION RESERVE FUND.

AN ACT authorizing counties to create an election reserve fund, prescribing the purposes thereof, and adding two new sections to chapter 36.33 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. A new section is added to chapter 36.33 RCW to read as follows:

The board of county commissioners may establish an election reserve fund for the payment of expenses