LEGISLATIVE REAPPORTIONMENT AND REDISTRICTING.

An Act relating to the state legislature and legislative districts; defining forty-nine senatorial and representative districts; creating three new legislative districts; providing for the number and apportionment of the members of the legislature; increasing the membership of the state senate by three members; repealing certain acts in conflict therewith; amending sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 57 and 58, chapter 5, Laws of 1957; and repealing section 56 of said chapter and re-enacting all other sections of said chapter.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is re-enacted to read as follows:

At the general election to be held in 1958, and every four years thereafter, a senator shall be elected for a term of four years from the following senatorial districts:


In all other senatorial districts a senator shall be elected in 1960, and every four years thereafter, for a term of four years: Provided, That in the forty-ninth district a senator shall be elected in 1958 for a term of two years and thereafter the term shall be for four years.

SEC. 2. Section 2, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is re-enacted to read as follows:

The senate shall consist of forty-nine members, one of whom shall be elected from each of the forty-
nine senatorial districts, constituted as set forth in sections 3 through 51 of this act.

Sec. 3. Section 3, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is re-enacted to read as follows:

First—the counties of Okanogan and Douglas.

Sec. 4. Section 4, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Second—the counties of Stevens and Pend Oreille.

Sec. 5. Section 5, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Third—the following precincts in the city and county of Spokane: 310, 324, 359, 360, 364, Ada, Agatha, Alvin, David, Davis, Diana, Dodd, Dominion, Dover, Drumheller, Dwight, Eagle, East Hillyard, Echo, Eden, Edison, Edith, Egypt, Eldorado, Elgin, Eli, Ellen, Ellwood, Emerald, Emerson, Ensign, Erie, Ermina, Essex, Ethel, Euclid, Eureka, Evans, Eve, Exchange, Riverside, Spokane 1, Spokane 2, Spokane 3, Spokane 4, Spokane 5, Spokane 6, Spokane 7, and Spokane 8.

Sec. 6. Section 6, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Fourth—the following precincts in the city and county of Spokane: 413, 414, 423, 439, 440, Abigail, Acme, Adolph, Advance, Airport, Albert, Alki, Allen, Andrew, Arrow, Ashley, Athens, Atlanta, Carnhope, Chester, Colbert, Corbin, Dishman, Doak, East Spokane, Edgecliff 1, Edgecliff 2, Evergreen, Fairfield, Fancher, Foothills, Freeman, Glenrose, Greenacres, Irvin, Latah, Liberty Lake, Marita, Mead, Mica, Millwood, Moab, Moran, Mt. Hope, Opportunity 1, Opportunity 2, Opportunity 3, Orchard 1, Orchard 2, Orchard 3, Otis, Pasadena, Pleasant Prairie, Raymond, Rock Creek Valley, Rockford, South Moran, Trentwood, University, Valleyford, Vera, Woodruff 1, and Woodruff 2.
Sec. 7. Section 7, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:


Sec. 8. Section 8, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:


Sec. 9. Section 9, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Seventh—the following precincts in the city and county of Spokane: 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 715, 716, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, Cannon, Carleton, Carlisle, Carrie, Cass, Charlotte, Clara, Clay, Cleveland, Clough, Conklin, Cora, Cowley, Custer, Daggett, Daisy, Damon, Daniel, Dawson, Day, Dayton, Delaware, Della, Derby, Detroit, Dewey, Dexter, Dillon,
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SEC. 10. Section 10, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Eighth—the counties of Lincoln, Adams and Ferry.

SEC. 11. Section 11, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Ninth—the county of Whitman.

SEC. 12. Section 12, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Tenth—the counties of Columbia, Asotin, and Garfield.

SEC. 13. Section 13, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Eleventh—the county of Walla Walla.

SEC. 14. Section 14, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is re-enacted to read as follows:

Twelfth—Chelan county.

SEC. 15. Section 15, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirteenth—Kittitas county and Grant county.

SEC. 16. Section 16, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Fourteenth—the following precincts in Yakima county: Airport 137, Cascade 121, Cottonwood 122, East Fruitvale 127, East Naches 141, East Selah 143, East Summitview 144, East Tieton 89, Englewood 135, Eschbach 147, Fairgrounds, Fairview 148, Gleed 51, Gromore 128, Harwood 56, Jefferson, Leamingburg 58, Lower Wenas 60, Naches Heights 67, Naches City 66, Nile 68, North Cowiche 130, Riverside 74, Selah Central 77, Selah Extension 78, Selah Heights 79, Selah Rural 132, Selah Town 76, Selah Town 134, Selah Town 151, South Nob Hill 142, South Cowiche 123, Sumach 133, Sunset, Tampico 88, West Fruit-

Sec. 17. Section 17, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Fifteenth—that part of Yakima county not included in the fourteenth district.

Sec. 18. Section 18, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Sixteenth—Benton county and Franklin county.

Sec. 19. Section 19, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Seventeenth—Skamania county, Klickitat county and the following precincts in Clark county: Alpine, Battleground North, Battleground South, Cedar Creek, Charter Oak, Chelatchie, Columbia West, English, Fern Prairie East, Fern Prairie West, Gibbons, Haagen, Hall, Hayes, Heisson, LaCenter, Lackamas North, Lackamas South, Lewisville, Lockwood Creek, Manor, Meadow Glade, Mountain View, Norway, Paradise Point, Pioneer, Proebstel, Russell, Skye, Twin Falls, Woodburn, Yacolt, and Camas precincts 101 through 113 inclusive, and Washougal precincts A, B, C, D, E, and F.

Sec. 20. Section 20, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is re-enacted to read as follows:

Eighteenth—the counties of Cowlitz and Wahkiakum.

Sec. 21. Section 21, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Nineteenth—Pacific county and the following precincts in Grays Harbor county: Artic, Blockhouse, Connie, Cosmopolis 1, Cosmopolis 2, Cosmopolis Rural, Delezenne, Fords Prairie, Grayland, Johns River, Malone, Melbourne, Oakville 1, Oak-
ville 2, Ocosta, Porter, Vesta, Westport, and Westport Rural.

Sec. 22. Section 22, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is re-enacted to read as follows:

Twentieth—Lewis county.

Sec. 23. Section 23, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Twenty-first—Grays Harbor county, except that portion named as part of the nineteenth district.

Sec. 24. Section 24, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is re-enacted to read as follows:

Twenty-second—Thurston County.

Sec. 25. Section 25, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Twenty-third—Kitsap county.

Sec. 26. Section 26, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Twenty-fourth—the counties of Clallam, Mason and Jefferson.

Sec. 27. Section 27, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Twenty-fifth—the following precincts in Pierce county: Alder, Alderton, Allison, Ashford, Bingham, Bonney Lake, Breckon, Buckley 1, Buckley 2, Carbonado, Central, Clear Creek, Dawson, Dieringer, Eatonville 1, Eatonville 2, Edgewood, Elbe, Elk Horn, Fife, Firgrove, Firwood, Fruitland, Gardenville, Graham, Grant, Harvard, Hudson, Johnson, Kapowsin, Kelly Lake, Lake Tapps, Larchmont, McMillin, Meeker, Meridian, Midland, Milton, Mulvey, National, North Puyallup, Orting 1, Orting 2, Orton, Puyallup Ward 1, precincts 1 through 6 inclusive, Puyallup Ward 2, precincts 1 through 6, inclusive and Puyallup Ward 3, precincts 1 through 6 inclusive, Riverside, Soldiers Home, South Prairie, Spinning, Sumner 1, Sumner 2, Sumner 3, Sumner 4, Sumner

Sec. 28. Section 28, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Twenty-sixth—the following precincts in Pierce county: Anderson Island, Artondale, Fox Island, Gig Harbor 1, Gig Harbor 2, Hales Pass, Home, Lakebay, Longbranch, Minter, Purdy, Ruston, Rosedale, Vaughn and Wollochet; and the following precincts in the city of Tacoma: 26-1 through 26-61 inclusive and 29-91 through 29-95 inclusive.

Sec. 29. Section 29, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Twenty-seventh—the following precincts in the city of Tacoma: 25-1, 25-2, 27-1 through 27-32 inclusive, with the exception of 27-14, 27-18, 27-19 and 27-21 which have been abolished; 28-1 through 28-5 inclusive, with the exception of 28-3 which has been abolished; 29-1 through 29-23 inclusive with the exception of 29-3, 29-10, 29-15 which have been abolished; 29-69 through 29-90 inclusive, and 29-96; and the following precincts in Pierce county: Dash Point and Hyada Park.

Sec. 30. Section 30, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Twenty-eighth—the following precincts in Pierce county: Armour, Benbow, Brookdale, Cleveland, Clover Creek, College, Collins, Cooper, Elk Plain, Faucett, Garfield, Hill Garden, Holz, Lacamas, McKenna, Meadow, Muck, Parkland 1, Parkland 2, Polk, Roy, Sales, Silver Lake, Spanaway 1, Spanaway 2, Spanaway 3, Spanaway 4, Tanwax, and Wildwood; and the following precincts in the city of Tacoma: 25-3 through 25-13 inclusive with the exception of 25-8 which has been abolished; 28-6 through 28-44
with the exception of 28-12 and 28-43 which have been abolished; 29-41 through 29-50, with the exception of 29-46 which has been abolished; and 29-98.

Sec. 31. Section 31, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Twenty-ninth—the following precincts in Pierce county: American Lake, American Lake Gardens, Arena, Clover Park, Crystal, Custer, Day Island, Dekoven, DuPont, Fairway, Fane, Fircrest No. 1, Fircrest No. 2, Fircrest No. 3, Firloch, Flett, Gravelly Lake, Hunt's Prairie, Idylwild, Interlaaken, Jackson, Lake City, Lake Louise, Lakeview, Lakewood, Menlo, Narrowsview, Nyanza, Olympic, Park Lodge, Piermont, Ponders, Steilacoom, Tillacum, University Place, and Village: and the following precincts in the city of Tacoma: 29-24 through 29-40 inclusive; 29-46, 29-51 through 29-68 inclusive; and 29-97.

Sec. 32. Section 32, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirtieth—the following precincts in King county: Aaron, Algona 1, Algona 2, Angle Lake, Athlone, Auburn precincts 1 through 12 inclusive, Bayview, Benson, Big Soos, Birch, Bishop, Black Diamond, Boise, Bow Vista, Brooklyn, Buenna, Burton, Cascade, Christopher, Cork, Cove, Covington, Cumberland, Des Moines, Dilworth, Dockton, Dolphin, Durham, East Hill, Ellinson, Emerald, Enumclaw 1, Enumclaw 2, Enumclaw 3, Enumclaw 4, Enumclaw 5, Fenwick, Green River, Harding, Huntington, Isabella, Island, Jovita, Kent precincts 1 through 8 inclusive, Krain, Lake, Lakehaven, Lakeland, Lakota, Lea Hill, Lester, Lincoln, Lisabuela, Little Soos, McMicken; Madison, Marlene, Maury, Meeker, Meridian, Midway, Mirror Lake, Muckleshoot, Ninety-nine, Norpac, North Hill, Orchard, Orillia, Osceola, Pacific 1, Pacific 2, Palmer, Panther Lake, Quartermaster, Ravensdale, Redondo, Russell, Salt Water, Sawyer, Seacliff, Soos Creek, Spring-

Sec. 33. Section 33, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-first—the following precincts in King county: Airport, Alder, Ambaum, Anthony, Avon, Bangor, Beverly, Boeing, Bossert, Boulevard Park, Bow Lake, Burien, Carleton, Cedarhurst, Center, Crescent, Douglas, Dublin, Dunlap, Dunmore, Duwamish, Eudocia, Evansvale, Evergreen, Five Corners, Florina, Ford, Francis, Garrett, Glasgow, Greendale, Gregory Heights, Hayes, Hazel Valley, Heights, Hestia, Highline, Jefferson, Juniper, Katherine, Kilpatrick, Lakeridge, Lakewood, Liberty, Lilac, Lynmar, McKinley, Madrona, Manhattan, Margaret, Marian, Marie, Military Road, Monterey, Mount View, Myers Way, Nokomis, Normandy Park 1, Normandy Park 2, Normandy Park 3, North Burien, North Riverton, Pilgrim, Plato, Qualheim, Regal, Rendini, Roseburg, Rowell, St. Helens, Salmon Creek, San Juan, Seahurst, Seaview, Seneca, Seola, Skyway, South Park, Southern Heights, Stimson Park, Sunnycrest, Sunnydale, Sylvan, Taft, Three Tree Point, Tipperary, Ursina, Valona, Victory, Vista, White Center, Wildwood, Wilson, Woodside and Wynona: and the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 31-1 through 31-103, inclusive, with the exception of 31-34, 31-35 and 31-36, which have been abolished.

Sec. 34. Section 34, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-second—the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 32-1 through 32-76 inclusive, 44-31, 44-32, 44-33, 44-46, and 46-1 through 46-5 inclusive.

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SEC. 35. Section 35, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-third—the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 33-1 to 33-89 inclusive, with the exception of 33-33, which has been abolished.

SEC. 36. Section 36, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-fourth—the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 34-1 through 34-104 inclusive, with the exception of 34-71 through 34-74 which have been abolished.

SEC. 37. Section 37, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-fifth—the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 35-1 through 35-76 inclusive, 36-51 through 36-55 inclusive, and 36-59 through 36-70 inclusive.

SEC. 38. Section 38, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-sixth—the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 36-1 through 36-50 inclusive, 36-56 through 36-58 inclusive, 36-71, 36-72, 44-1 through 44-30 inclusive, 44-92 through 44-94 inclusive, and 44-127 through 44-133 inclusive.

SEC. 39. Section 39, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-seventh—the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 37-1 through 37-86 inclusive.

SEC. 40. Section 40, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-eighth—the following precincts in the county of Snohomish: Ash, Ballinger, Bear Creek, Bellevue, Berkshire, Beverly, Beverly Hills, Beverly Park, Brier, Broadway, Cabot, Canyon, Cathcart, Center, Chase, Clearview, Crest, Crystal Springs, Darlington, Edmonds 1 through 3 inclusive, Everett 1 through 68 inclusive, Evergreen, Fernwood, Field,

SEC. 41. Section 41, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Thirty-ninth—that part of Snohomish county not included in the thirty-eighth district, and Camano Island of Island county.

SEC. 42. Section 42, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Fortieth—the counties of San Juan and Skagit.

SEC. 43. Section 43, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Forty-first—all of the precincts in the county of Whatcom, outside the city of Bellingham as the corporate boundaries of that city existed on July 1, 1956.

SEC. 44. Section 44, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Forty-second—the city of Bellingham as the corporate boundaries of that city existed on July 1, 1956.

SEC. 45. Section 45, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Forty-third—the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 43-1 through 43-93 inclusive.
SEC. 46. Section 46, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Forty-fourth—the following precincts in King county: Anita, Arethusa, Innis Arden, Park View, Point Wells, Richmond, Rowena, Sea Breeze, Transvaal, Westminster, and Westover and the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 43-34 through 44-44 inclusive, with the exception of 44-37 and 44-38, which have been abolished, 44-45, 44-47, and 44-48 through 44-91 inclusive, 44-95 through 44-126 inclusive, and 44-134.

SEC. 47. Section 47, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Forty-fifth—the following precincts in King county: Bircenna, Blarney, Brace, Clive, Echo Lake, Elise, Florence, Gloria, Greenwood, Joanne, Kilkenney, Louise, Marilyn, Parkwood, Ronald, Shoreline, Underwood, and Woodpark, and Seattle precincts 45-1 to 45-106 inclusive.

SEC. 48. Section 48, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Forty-sixth—the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 46-6 through 46-129 inclusive and 46-143 through 46-149 inclusive.

SEC. 49. Section 49, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Forty-seventh—the following precincts in King county: Allentown, Arthur, Baring, Berlin, Bryn Mawr, Campbell Hill, Carnation, Cedar Falls, Cedar Mountain, Cedar River, Charlotte, Cherry Valley, Coalfield, Delano, Duncan, Duvall, Earlington, Eastgate, Elliott, Factoria, Fall City, Foster, Fuller, Galway, Gilman, Hazelwood, Hillcrest, Hillman, Hilltop, Hobart, Honey Dew, Issaquah 1, Issaquah 2, Kennydale, Macadam, Martin Creek, May Creek, May Valley, Meadowbrook, Newcastle, Newport, North Bend 1, North Bend 2, Novelty, Patterson,
Preston, Rainier, Ramona, Rentthree, Renton 1 through 26 inclusive, Riverton, Shamrock, Showell, Shuffleton, Skykomish, Snoqualmie 1, Snoqualmie 2, Spring Glen, Sterling, Stillwater, Sunset, Tanner, Thorndyke, Tiger Mountain, Tolt, Tukwila 1, Tukwila 2, Val-vue, Vincent, Wallace, Warren and Willow Ridge.

Sec. 50. Section 50, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Forty-eighth—the following precincts in King county: Abbey, Arrowhead, Avisa, Avondale, Ballinger, Bear Creek, Beaux Arts, Beaver Lake, Bellevue 1 through 17 inclusive, Berrest, Bonnie Glen, Bothell 1, Bothell 2, Bothell 3, Briarcrest, Bridle Trails, Brookside, Chauncey, Cleveland, Clyde Hill 1, Clyde Hill 2, Corwin, Cottage Lake, Country Club, Denny Park, Donahoe, Donegal, Down, Dunne, East Seattle, Electra, Enatai, Erford, Finn Hill, Firland, Firlock, Fruitland, Georgette, Glocca Mora, Grover, Hamlin, Happy Valley, Hemlock, Highland, Hillside, Hollywood, Houghton 1, Houghton 2, Hunts Point, Inglewood, Interlake, Jackson, Jean, Juanita, Kenmore, Kerry, Kildare, Killarney, Kirkland 1 through 12 inclusive, Lago Vista, Lake Forest, Lake Hills, Lake View, Leota, Linwood, Londonderry, McGilvra, Medina 1 through 4 inclusive, Mercer, Meydenbauer, Monohon, Monte Vista, Moorlands, North City, North Creek, Northridge, O'Farrell, Paramount, Park Lane, Perkins, Phantom Lake, Polk, Redkirk, Redmond 1, Redmond 2, Ridgecrest, Roanoke, Rose Hill, Rush, Rustic, Sammamish, Sheridan, Sherwood, Shorewood, Snoking, Taylor, Thellbo, Ward, Wilburton, Woodinville, Yarrow, Yokena, Zachary, and Zirconia, and the following precincts in the city of Seattle: 46-130 through 46-142 inclusive.

Sec. 51. Section 51, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:
Forty-ninth—the following precincts in Clark county: Baker, Barbeton, Beall, Betts, Biddle, Bliss, Burnt Brush Creek, Brush Prairie, Burton, Clyde, Connor, Covington, Curtin, Cushing, Daybreak, Elking, Ellsworth, Enterprise, Firdale, Fishers, Fourth Plain, Fruit Valley, Gee Creek, Glenwood Heights, Greeley, Harney, Hazel Dell East, Hazel Dell North, Hazel Dell West, Hidden North, Hidden South, J. D. Ross, Jaggy, Klein, Lake Shore, Lamb, Laraclef, Marion, Marshall, Miller, Minnehaha North, Minnehaha South, Nelson, Pleasant Valley, Preston, Ridgefield North, Ridgefield South, Salmon Creek, Sifton, Smith, Stockford, Tracy, Walnut Grove, Whipple Creek, Willows and the city of Vancouver precincts: 161 through 230 inclusive.

Sec. 52. Section 52, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is reenacted to read as follows:

The house of representatives shall consist of ninety-nine members to be elected from forty-nine representative districts. Each senatorial district, as numbered and created by this act shall constitute a representative district bearing the same number.

Sec. 53. Section 53, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

The fourteenth, twenty-third, twenty-fourth, thirty-first, thirty-eighth and forty-ninth representative districts shall have three representatives. The eighth, tenth, seventeenth, nineteenth and forty-first shall have one representative. All other representative districts shall have two representatives.

Sec. 54. Section 54, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is reenacted to read as follows:

The terms of office of all senators and representatives elected under the provisions of this act shall commence on the second Monday in January following the date of their elections.
Sec. 55. Section 55, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is reenacted to read as follows:

The representatives provided for in this act shall be elected at the general election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1958, and every two years thereafter.

Sec. 56. Section 56, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 57. Section 57, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows:

Any precinct not specifically mentioned or included within the boundaries of any senatorial and representative district, and which is completely surrounded by territory embraced within a particular senatorial and representative district, shall be and become a part of such senatorial and representative district. In case any such precinct is not completely surrounded by territory embraced within a particular senatorial and representative district, the precinct shall be and become a part of the senatorial and representative district having the smallest number of electors and having territory adjoining or contiguous to such precinct in the same county in which the precinct is located.

Sec. 58. Section 58, chapter 5, Laws of 1957 is reenacted to read as follows:

Chapter 2, Laws of 1931; chapter 20, Laws of 1933; chapter 74, Laws of 1933; chapter 221, Laws of 1951; and RCW 44.04.020, 44.04.110, 44.08.010, 44.08.020, 44.08.060, 44.08.061, 44.12.010, and 44.12.020 are each repealed: Provided, That this act shall not in any way affect the membership, districts or other organization of the thirty-fifth legislature nor abolish nor shorten any terms of office of any member of the
legislature commenced prior to the effectiveness of this act.

Passed the Senate February 26, 1957.
Passed the House March 12, 1957.

Veto message, excerpt from. Note: Statement of Governor as to why he permitted Substitute Senate Bill No. 374 to become law without his approval reads as follows:

"Reluctantly, I have allowed Substitute Senate Bill No. 374 to become law without my signature. My personal inclination is to oppose any move on the part of the legislature to change substantially an initiative passed by the people of the state.

"Several years ago, however, the people of the state of Washington by initiative passed the 26th amendment to the Constitution. This amendment provides that an initiative may be amended by two-thirds vote of the members of both houses of the legislature within two years after its passage. I deem it significant that the requirement of two-thirds vote of the elected members of each house is more stringent than the requirement of overriding a Governor’s veto which may be done by two-thirds of the members of each house being present.

"I have no doubt that the members of the legislature who voted in favor of Substitute Senate Bill No. 374 were fully aware of the consequences of the action. It is a matter of common knowledge that the members of the legislature were fully aware of the fact that I had expressed my conviction that Initiative 199 should be altered only in so far as the legislators deemed it necessary to make alterations to correct certain errors of description of the territorial extension of legislative districts. For these reasons I am unwilling to approve the action of the legislature by signing Substitute Senate Bill No. 374.

"On the other hand, I am conscious of the fact that well over two-thirds of the members of each house voted to amend Initiative 199. Since at the present time the legislature is not in session, those members of the legislature who have voted in favor of Substitute Senate Bill No. 374 would not have an opportunity to override a veto on my part.

"There exists in my mind a serious question as to whether or not Substitute Senate Bill No. 374 merely amends Initiative 199 or whether it in effect repeals the Initiative. This represents a legal issue which under the Constitution can only be decided by the Supreme Court of this state.

"For the reasons I have indicated I have permitted Substitute Senate Bill No. 374 to become law without my signature."