CHAPTER 72.

PORT DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS-COMPENSATION.

An Act relating to port districts and amending section 4, chapter 348, Laws of 1955 and RCW 53.12.250.

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

RCW 53.12.250 amended.

SECTION 1. Section 4, chapter 348, Laws of 1955 and RCW 53.12.250 are each amended to read as follows:

The compensation of port district commissioners shall be as follows:

(1) Commissioners of a port district having a population, according to the latest United States census, of less than one hundred thousand persons but at least one thousand persons may, by resolution, after a public hearing, notice of which shall be published no less than four times during a period of not less than ten nor more than twenty days next preceding the hearing in the newspaper of largest general circulation in the district, provide that each commissioner be reimbursed for actual attendance at meetings of the port district at a rate not to exceed twenty-five dollars per diem: Provided, That the commissioners shall not receive per diem for meetings in excess of four each month: Provided further, That the question of per diem for the commissioners must be submitted for approval to the electors, at the next succeeding general election. The proposition shall be clearly stated on the ballot and in such a manner as to permit a vote for or against it. If a majority of the votes cast on the proposition favor it, thereafter the commissioners shall receive such per diem. At any general election thereafter the commissioners may resubmit the proposition.

(2) Commissioners of a port district having a population, according to the latest United States

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census, of less than three hundred and fifty thousand persons but at least one hundred thousand persons may, by resolution, after a public hearing, notice of which shall be published no less than four times during a period of not less than ten nor more than twenty days next preceding the hearing in the newspaper of largest general circulation in the district, provide that each commissioner receive a salary not to exceed three thousand and six hundred dollars per year: Provided, That the question of Proviso. salaries for the commissioners must be submitted for approval to the electors at the next succeeding general election. The proposition shall be clearly stated on the ballot and in such a manner as to permit a vote for or against it. If a majority of the votes cast on the proposition favor it, thereafter the commissioners shall receive such salary. At any general election thereafter the commissioners may resubmit the proposition.

(3) The commissioners of a port district having a population, according to the latest United States census, of three hundred and fifty thousand persons or more may, by resolution, after a public hearing, notice of which shall be published no less than four times during a period of not less than ten nor more than twenty days next preceding the hearing in the newspaper of largest general circulation in the district, provide that each commissioner receive a salary not to exceed five thousand dollars per year: Pro- Proviso. vided. That the question of salaries for commissioners must be submitted for approval to the electors at the next succeeding general election. The proposition shall be clearly stated on the ballot and in such a manner as to permit a vote for or against it. If a majority of the votes cast on the proposition favor it, thereafter the commissioners shall receive such salary. At any general election thereafter the commissioners may resubmit the proposition.

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Port district commissioners. Compensation. Any resolution adopted under the provisions of this section relating to per diem or salaries of commissioners shall not increase or diminish the compensation of any commissioner for the remainder of his term of office.

Passed the House February 9, 1957.

Passed the Senate March 6, 1957. Approved by the Governor March 11, 1957.

CHAPTER 73. [H. B. 252.]

TOWNSHIPS-DISORGANIZATION.

AN ACT relating to townships; and repealing section 10, chapter 173, Laws of 1951 and RCW 45.76.010.

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

Repeal.

SECTION 1. Section 10, chapter 173, Laws of 1951 and RCW 45.76.010 are each repealed.

Passed the House February 14, 1957.

Passed the Senate March 6, 1957.

Approved by the Governor March 11, 1957.