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SEC. 12. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House February 24, 1959.
Passed the Senate March 10, 1959.
Approved by the Governor March 19, 1959.

CHAPTER 194.
[ H. B. 185. ]

PER DIEM FOR STATE OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.

An Act relating to state government; providing per diem allowance in lieu of subsistence for state officials and employees; amending section 1, chapter 86, Laws of 1943 as last amended by section 1, chapter 259, Laws of 1953, and RCW 43.03.050.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 86, Laws of 1943 as last amended by section 1, chapter 259, Laws of 1953, and RCW 43.03.050 are each amended to read as follows:

The heads of all state departments may prescribe per diem rates of allowance, not exceeding twelve dollars in lieu of subsistence and lodging to elective and appointive officials and state employees while engaged on official business away from their designated posts of duty, but within the state of Washington or an adjoining state, and not exceeding fifteen dollars per day while engaged on official business elsewhere.

Passed the House March 6, 1959.
Passed the Senate March 9, 1959.
Approved by the Governor March 19, 1959.

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