

CHAPTER 277.

[S. B. 309.]

JUVENILE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION.

AN ACT relating to the establishment, construction and administration of a correctional institution for juveniles committed to the department of institutions, division of children and youth services, by the juvenile courts and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established under the supervision and control of the director of the department of institutions a correctional institution for the reception, diagnosis, confinement and rehabilitation of juveniles committed by the juvenile courts to the department of institutions, division of children and youth services. Such institution shall be situated upon lands within the state, to be selected by the director of institutions under conditions as herein provided. The director shall cause preliminary plans, specifications and estimates of cost for the construction of such institution to be made and for this purpose may retain architectural and engineering services.

Institution
established—
Preliminary
specifications.

SEC. 2. The director is hereby authorized to acquire by gift, purchase or condemnation a suitable tract or parcel of real property as a site for a juvenile correctional institution, and for that purpose may enter into contracts to purchase and to take title to real property in the name of the state. Prior to entering into any contract for the purchase of real property, or acquiring such real property by eminent domain, the director shall give preference to any and all offers to donate real property by any person or persons, federal agencies, or any political subdivisions of the state. The director may accept or reject any and all offers for the donation of real

Site, donations
of, contracts
for.

property when in his discretion such land is not suitable for the purposes and objects of such institution, or is remotely located in such degree as would be disadvantageous, in view of the needs and purposes of such institution.

Construction,
contracts for.

SEC. 3. When title to the land selected by the director, as provided in this act, has vested in the state, the director shall, upon the completion of plans and specifications for such institution, publish a call for bids, as provided by law, and enter into a contract for the construction of such institution: *Provided*, That no contract shall be entered into for the construction of such institution until such time as an appropriation for that purpose has been made by the legislature.

Superinten-
dent—Qualifi-
cations.

SEC. 4. The superintendent of the correctional institution established by this act shall be appointed by the director. The superintendent shall have such administrative experience and possess such qualifications as shall be fixed by the personnel board, or such merit system board as shall be established by law having jurisdiction of personnel within the department of institutions, with the advice and approval of the director.

Associate
superinten-
dents.

SEC. 5. The superintendent, subject to the approval of the director, shall appoint such associate superintendents as shall be deemed necessary. In the event the superintendent shall be absent from the institution, or during periods of illness or other situations incapacitating the superintendent from properly performing his duties, he shall appoint one of the officers of the institution to act as superintendent during such period of absence, illness or incapacity, subject to the approval of the director.

Employees
under person-
nel board.

SEC. 6. The superintendent and all subordinate officers and employees of such institution shall be under the jurisdiction of the state personnel board

or such merit system board as shall be hereafter established by law having jurisdiction within the department of institutions.

SEC. 7. The superintendent shall have the following powers, duties and responsibilities:

Superintendent's powers and duties.

(1) Subject to the rules and regulations of the department, the superintendent shall have supervision and management of the institution, of the grounds and buildings, subordinate officers and employees, and of the juveniles received at such institution and the custody of such persons until released or transferred as provided by law.

(2) Subject to the approval of the director, appoint all subordinate officers and employees, who shall be removable from employment by the superintendent, subject to the merit system rules of the state personnel board as may be established by law having jurisdiction of the officers and employees of the department of institutions.

(3) The superintendent shall be the custodian of the personal property of all juveniles in the institution and shall make rules and regulations governing the accounting and disposition of all monies received by such juveniles, not inconsistent with law, and subject to the approval of the director.

SEC. 8. The director may make, amend and repeal rules and regulations for the administration of the juvenile correctional institution established by this act in furtherance of the provisions of this act and not inconsistent with law.

Rules, regulations.

SEC. 9. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and shall take effect immediately.

Emergency.

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