

limitations provided for in this subsection (5) shall be embodied in any certificate of prior service issued or granted by the board where any portion of the prior service credited under this subsection is included therein.

The city may receive payments for these purposes from a third party and shall make from such payments contributions with respect to such prior service as may be necessary to enable the fund to assume its obligations.

SEC. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate Emergency. 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 13, 1959.

Passed the Senate February 25, 1959.

Approved by the Governor March 3, 1959.

CHAPTER 71.

[H. B. 251.]

POLICEMEN BENEFITS—PRIOR SERVICE.

AN ACT relating to pensions for retired police officers and their widows; adding a new section to chapter 39, Laws of 1909, as last amended by chapter 84, Laws of 1957, and to chapter 41.20 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 39, Laws of New section. 1909, as last amended by chapter 84, Laws of 1957, and to chapter 41.20 RCW, a new section to read as follows:

Any person affected by this chapter who was a member of a police organization operated by a private enterprise which police organization shall be hereafter acquired before September 1, 1959, by a

Credit for membership in private organization acquired by first class city.

city of the first class as its police department as a matter of public convenience or necessity, where it is in the public interest to retain the trained personnel of such police organization, shall have added to his period of employment as computed under this chapter his period of service with said private enterprise, except that this shall apply only to those persons who are in the service of such police organization at the time of its acquisition by the city of the first class and who remain in the service of that city until this chapter shall become applicable to such persons.

No such person shall have added to his period of employment as computed under this chapter his period of service with said private enterprise unless he or a third party shall pay to the city his contribution for the period of such service with the private enterprise, or, if he shall be entitled to any private pension or retirement benefits as a result of such service with the private enterprise, unless he agrees at the time of his employment by the city to accept a reduction in the payment of any benefits payable under this chapter that are based in whole or in part on such added service by the amount of those private pension or retirement benefits received. The rate of such contribution shall be two percent of the wage or salary of such person during that added period of service with the private enterprise before midnight, June 8, 1955, and four and one-half percent of such wage or salary after midnight, June 8, 1955. Such contributions shall be paid into the police relief and pension fund and shall be held subject to the provisions of RCW 41.20.150, except that all such contributions shall be deemed to have been made after June 8, 1955. Such contributions may be invested in investments permitted by RCW 35.39.040 and may be kept invested until required to meet payments of benefits to such persons.

The city may receive payments for these purposes from a third party and shall make from such payments contributions with respect to such prior service as may be necessary to enable the police relief and pension fund to assume its obligations.

SEC. 2. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected. Severability.

SEC. 3. 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. Emergency.

Passed the House February 13, 1959.

Passed the Senate February 25, 1959.

Approved by the Governor March 3, 1959.

CHAPTER 72.

[H. B. 372.]

CONVEYANCE OF LAND BY HIGHWAY COMMISSION— DOUGLAS COUNTY.

AN ACT authorizing and directing the Washington state highway commission to set aside or convey certain lands in Douglas county to the state parks and recreation commission; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. The Washington state highway commission is authorized and directed to set aside or convey to the state parks and recreation commission so much of certain lands presently owned or to be acquired by the highway commission situated in Douglas county and lying along the eastern shore of the Columbia river, north of the community of Lands to be conveyed.

Description.