way, per mile, ten cents: *Provided*, That a person excused from jury service at his own request shall be allowed not more than a per diem and such mileage, if any, as to the court shall seem just and equitable under all circumstances.

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CHAPTER 74.
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COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION.

AN ACT creating the Columbia River Gorge commission; defining terms; prescribing duties and powers therefor; and establishing the Columbia River Gorge commission account.

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

SECTION 1. As used in this act unless the context requires otherwise, "Commission" means the Columbia River Gorge commission.

SEC. 2. There is hereby created a non-partisan and non-salaried commission to be known as the Columbia River Gorge commission consisting of three members who are residents of Skamania, Klickitat and Clark counties respectively, to be appointed by the governor for six year terms and who shall be removable at his pleasure. The term of office shall commence January 1 of the year of appointment; provided the first members shall be appointed, one for two years, one for four years, and one for six years. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as other appointments are made.

SEC. 3. For the purpose of preserving, developing and protecting, the recreational, scenic and historic areas of the Columbia River Gorge, the com-
mission is directed to prepare a comprehensive plan including boundaries for the proposed conservation area, proposed acquisition and administration of land, proposed zoning, regulations and other features necessary to accomplish the transition of the Columbia River Gorge to a state recreational area. Said plan shall first be submitted to the governor for his consideration and approval.

Sec. 4. The commission shall have the following duties and powers:

1. To acquire land in the name of the state by purchase, exchange, transfer, gift, or devise.

2. To make expenditures, from available funds, for the development, protection and maintenance of land and property under its control.

3. To enter into such contracts as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

4. To cooperate with other agencies and political subdivisions of the state, the state of Oregon, the federal government, private organizations and individuals to the extent necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

5. To receive any gifts, either inter vivos or testamentary in character.

Sec. 5. All moneys, from whatever sources, including moneys received by gift, bequest or contribution, shall be paid into the state treasury for deposit to the Columbia River Gorge commission account. The expenditures of the commission shall be made from this account upon vouchers approved by the commission: Provided, That moneys received from gifts may be expended in accordance with the terms thereof.

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