

CHAPTER 25.

[H. B. 116.]

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY—MILITARY TRAINING ELECTIVE.

AN ACT relating to the powers and duties of the board of regents of Washington State University; and adding a new section to chapter 28.80 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 28.80 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Notwithstanding RCW 28.80.130 (6), the board of regents of Washington State University may make training in military tactics available to all male students on an elective basis.

Passed the House January 26, 1961.

Passed the Senate February 8, 1961.

Approved by the Governor February 14, 1961.

Military training may be elective

CHAPTER 26.

[H. B. 84.]

PORT DISTRICTS—CONSOLIDATION—DISSOLUTION.

AN ACT relating to port districts; authorizing the consolidation thereof; and providing procedures for the dissolution of inactive port districts.

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

SECTION 1. Two or more port districts in the same county may be joined into one consolidated port district in the following manner: The port commissioners of each of the port districts proposed to be consolidated may, or on petition of ten percent of the qualified electors residing within each of the districts proposed to be consolidated based on the

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total vote cast in the last general election, shall, by joint resolution submit to the qualified electors of the port district to be consolidated the proposition of consolidating such districts into one port district. Such resolution or petition in request thereof shall identify each port district to be consolidated, listing its assets and liabilities; state the name by which the port district resulting from the consolidation shall be known; legally describe each port commissioner district to be created within the port district resulting from the consolidation; state the terms and conditions, if any, under which the consolidation is proposed; and call a special election in the territory of the port districts to be consolidated, to determine whether such consolidation shall take place, and to fill the offices of the port commission of the port district resulting from the consolidation.

SEC. 2. The special election to consider such consolidation and to fill such offices shall be conducted in accordance with the general election laws of the state. Each candidate for the port commission of the port district resulting from the consolidation shall, not more than forty-five nor less than thirty days prior to the election, file with the county auditor a declaration of candidacy for port commissioner from the port commissioner district in which he is a qualified voter. Any candidate may withdraw his declaration at any time within five days after the last day allowed for filing declaration of candidacy. There shall be no fee charged for filing a declaration of candidacy for port commissioner at this election. All names of candidates to be voted upon shall be printed upon the ballot alphabetically by port commissioner districts. Names of candidates printed upon the ballot need not be rotated.

Election
procedure.

Declarations
of candidacy.

Ballots.

SEC. 3. The county canvassing board of election returns shall certify the results of the election to the board of county commissioners; and if at such

Certification
of election
results.

election a majority of voters voting on the question of consolidation in each port district to be consolidated shall vote in favor of consolidation, the board of county commissioners shall so declare, and the port district resulting from the consolidation shall then be and become a municipal corporation of the state of Washington. The county auditor shall in such event issue a certificate of election to the successful candidate from each port commissioner district. Of the three successful candidates, the one receiving the highest number of votes shall serve until his successor is elected and qualified at the third subsequent regular election for port commissioner, and the ones receiving the second and third highest numbers of votes shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified at the second and first subsequent regular elections for port commissioner, respectively.

Certificates of election.

Commissioner terms.

Obligations upon consolidation.

Powers upon consolidation.

SEC. 4. None of the obligations of each port district which has been consolidated shall be affected by the consolidation, and taxes and assessments for payment of such obligations shall continue to be levied and collected in respect to property in such former port district notwithstanding the consolidation. The port commission of the port district resulting from the consolidation shall have all the powers possessed at the time of the consolidation by the port commission of each port district which has been consolidated, to levy or collect taxes or assessments in respect to property in such former port district, for payment of such obligations. While any such obligations remain outstanding, funds subject to such obligations shall be kept separate.

Consolidation, county commissioners may act for inactive port commission.

SEC. 5. In the event a port district does not have an active port commission to which the petition for consolidation may be directed, the board of county commissioners of the county wherein such inactive port district is located may act in the place and

stead of the port commission for the purposes of consolidation.

SEC. 6. For the purpose of dissolution of any port district not having an active port commission the board of county commissioners of the county wherein such inactive port district is located may exercise the powers and duties vested by chapter 53.48 RCW in the governing body of such port district.

Dissolution, county commissioners may act for inactive port commission.

Passed the House February 10, 1961.

Passed the Senate February 9, 1961.

Approved by the Governor February 15, 1961.

CHAPTER 27.

[S. B. 4.]

COUNTIES, ADOPTING CODES, COMPILATION BY REFERENCE.

AN ACT relating to counties; and amending section 2673, Code of 1881, as last amended by section 1, chapter 61, Laws of 1947, sections 2681 and 2687, Code of 1881, and RCW 36.32.120.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2673, Code of 1881, as last amended by section 1, chapter 61, Laws of 1947, and sections 2681 and 2687, Code of 1881 (heretofore combined and codified as RCW 36.32.120) are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 36.32.120 amended.

SEC. 2. (36.32.120) The several boards of county commissioners shall:

County commissioners. Powers of board.

(1) Provide for the erection and repairing of courthouses, jails, and other necessary public buildings for the use of the county;

(2) Lay out, discontinue, or alter county roads and highways within their respective counties, and do all other necessary acts relating thereto according