CHAPTER 300.
[ S. B. 173. ]

STATE GOVERNMENT—COMPOSITION OF CERTAIN
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

An Act relating to state government; amending section 6,
chapter 7, Laws of 1921 and RCW 43.33.010 and 43.33.020;
amending section 8, chapter 7, Laws of 1921 and RCW
43.34.010; amending section 3, chapter 250, Laws of 1947
as amended by section 1, chapter 162, Laws of 1957, and
RCW 43.43.140; amending section 4, chapter 146, Laws
of 1951 and RCW 78.52.020; and amending section 2, chapter
12, Laws of 1907 and RCW 43.33.030.

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

Section 1. Section 6, chapter 7, Laws of 1921
(heretofore divided and codified as RCW 43.33.010
and 43.33.020) is divided and amended to read as set
forth in sections 2 and 3 of this act.

Sec. 2. (RCW 43.33.010) The state treasurer,
the lieutenant governor, and the governor, ex officio,
shall constitute the state finance committee.

Sec. 3. (RCW 43.33.020) The state finance com-
mittee shall exercise all the powers and perform
all duties prescribed by law with respect to the
investment and safekeeping of public funds.

Sec. 4. Section 2, chapter 12, Laws of 1907 and
RCW 43.33.030 are each amended to read as follows:

The state finance committee shall keep a full and
complete public record of its proceedings in ap-
propriate books of record, maintain appropriate of-
fices, and employ such personnel as shall be neces-
sary to perform its duties.

Sec. 5. Section 8, chapter 7, Laws of 1921 and
RCW 43.34.010 are each amended to read as follows:

The governor, the lieutenant governor, and the
commissioner of public lands, ex officio, shall con-
stitute the state capitol committee.
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SEC. 6. Section 3, chapter 250, Laws of 1947 as amended by section 1, chapter 162, Laws of 1957, and RCW 43.43.140 are each amended to read as follows:

The general administration and management of the retirement fund and the making effective of the provisions hereof are hereby vested in the retirement board which shall have the authority to make all necessary rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions hereof to carry into effect the provisions of this chapter.

The board shall consist of seven members as follows: Chief of the Washington state patrol, insurance commissioner, lieutenant governor and four members known as employee members, who shall be elected by ballot by members of the retirement fund in a manner to be approved by the retirement board. Two of said employee members shall be from and represent eastern Washington and two of said employee members shall be from and represent western Washington.

The chief of the Washington state patrol shall act at all times as chairman of the retirement board. A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and any action taken shall be approved by five or more of its members. The board shall hold such meetings as are necessary to transact its business and in any event shall meet not less than once each year and sufficient notice shall [be] given the members thereof.

The election of employee members of the board shall be conducted by and under the supervision of the chief of the Washington state patrol. The chief of the Washington state patrol shall designate election dates and shall define election procedures: Provided, That the first election shall be held within thirty days after May 15, 1958. At the first election, each person eligible to participate in the retirement
fund shall have the right to vote for two qualified employee members, each person to vote only upon those members from his geographical division of the state. At the first election, the employee member receiving the greatest number of votes shall be deemed elected for a four year term; the employee member receiving the second greatest number of votes shall be deemed elected for a three year term; the employee member receiving the third greatest number of votes shall be deemed elected for a two year term; and the employee member receiving the fourth greatest number of votes shall be deemed elected for a one year term. Terms of office of the first members shall commence July 1, 1958. Upon expiration of the term of each of the employee members, each succeeding member shall be elected by general election and shall hold office for a term of four years. After the first election, those persons eligible to participate in the retirement fund and who are from the same geographical division as that of the employee member whose term of office has expired or whose office has become vacant shall have the right to vote for one qualified employee member to fill that office. Any vacancy occurring in the term of any qualified employee member of the retirement board shall be filled by a general election. The qualified employee member elected shall fill the unexpired term.

Sec. 7. Section 4, chapter 146, Laws of 1951 and RCW 78.52.020 are each amended to read as follows:

There is hereby created and established an oil and gas conservation committee, which shall consist of the governor, the land commissioner, and the lieutenant governor together with the director of conservation and development and the state treasurer. The governor shall be the chairman of this committee, and the commissioner of public lands shall be its executive secretary. The members of
the committee may act through designated agents or deputies for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this chapter.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1961.
Passed the House March 7, 1961.
Approved by the Governor March 21, 1961.

CHAPTER 301.
[ H.B. 57. ]

WASHINGTON STATE ARTS COMMISSION.

AN ACT creating the Washington state arts commission and defining its powers and duties.

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

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared that the preservation and development of beauty is essential to the progress and growth of the state of Washington. The growth and development of the arts provides for the general welfare and is hereby declared to be an appropriate matter of concern to the government of the state of Washington. This growth and development has enabled the state of Washington, although comparatively young in years, to produce many artists and writers of national and international fame.

SEC. 2. There is hereby established a Washington state arts commission. The commission shall be composed of twenty-one members appointed by the governor. Members shall be appointed representing the various categories of the arts including architecture, painting, sculpture, music, landscape architecture, crafts, literature, graphic arts, theatre arts and dance. The governor shall consider nominations for membership from architectural, art, music, literary and other cultural organizations. Members