steps to join the district, shall not preclude its formation.

Passed the Senate February 20, 1963.
Passed the House March 7, 1963.
Approved by the Governor March 11, 1963.

CHAPTER 28.
[S. B. 233.]

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICTS—COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

An Act relating to labor relations of public utility districts and employees thereof; and adding new sections to chapter 54.04 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 54.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Employees of public utility districts are hereby authorized and entitled to enter into collective bargaining relations with their employers with all the rights and privileges incident thereto as are accorded to similar employees in private industry.

SECTION 2. There is added to chapter 54.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any public utility district may enter into collective bargaining relations with it employees in the same manner that a private employer might do and may agree to be bound by the result of such collective bargaining.

Passed the Senate March 1, 1963.
Passed the House March 7, 1963.
Approved by the Governor March 11, 1963.