ter such hearing may reinstate any permit or revise its previous action.

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CHAPTER 39.
[ House Bill No. 366. ]

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING.
An Act relating to public assistance and providing for an advisory council on aging; adding a new chapter to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to Title 74 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to Title 74 RCW a new chapter to read as set forth in sections 2 through 6 of this act.

SEC. 2. There is hereby created within the department of public assistance an advisory council which shall be known as the Washington state council on aging. The purpose of the council shall be to improve the socio-economic conditions of the aging in the state of Washington.

Members shall be appointed by the governor, one from each legislative district of the state, plus an additional number of members not to exceed twenty, all of whom shall be selected on the basis of their known experience or interest in the welfare of aged persons, and they shall be selected on the basis of representation according to population insofar as possible. Four additional members shall be chosen from the legislature; two from the senate appointed by the president of the senate; and two from the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house. Of the members initially appointed by
the governor half shall be appointed for a two year term and half for a four year term. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for four years. The legislative appointments shall be for terms of two years each. Vacancies shall be filled by the appropriate appointing officer for the remainder of the unexpired terms.

The governor shall appoint from the membership a chairman and vice chairman to serve as such at his pleasure. The chairman shall establish up to seven geographic subcommittees and appoint the chairman and vice chairman of each.

The executive committee shall be composed of the council chairman, vice chairman, and each geographical committee chairman.

Members of the executive committee of the council shall be entitled to per diem allowance and travel expenses at the same rate as state employees in going to, attending and returning from official meetings of the executive committee if sufficient funds are available. The council chairman or his designated alternate shall also be entitled to per diem allowance and travel expenses at the same rate as state employees in going to, attending and returning from official area meetings.

The executive committee of the council shall fix the times and places of meetings, and the full advisory council shall meet with the executive committee in regular session at least once each year.

**Sec. 3.** The state council on aging shall:

1. Advise with and recommend policies to the governor and to the director of the department of public assistance and other state departments in relation to the needs of the aging and aged.

2. Recommend and promote programs designed to provide, strengthen, and coordinate such services as are deemed essential to the senior members of the state, and to that end, cooperate with existing agen-
cies, and to encourage and assist the organization of community units in the several counties of the state for local study and examination of the unmet needs of the senior members.

(3) Collect information, and collaborate with local, state, and national agencies and with special local community units in collecting statistics and information, regarding the problems encountered by aging persons and the underlying causes thereof.

(4) Make continuous studies of the educational, health, recreational, economic, employment and housing conditions of the older people with the object of recommending the adoption of measures designed to alleviate prevailing problems.

Sec. 4. The department through its administrative budget shall provide staff, office space, supplies and equipment as shall be determined necessary by the department to carry out the function of the council.

In furthering the purposes of this council, authority is hereby given to the department of public assistance to accept contributions or gifts in cash or otherwise from private or public agencies, persons, associations or corporations, such contributions to be disbursed after consultation with the executive committee of the council in carrying out the duties prescribed in section 3: Provided, That the donor of such contributions or gifts may stipulate the purpose for which they shall be expended.

Sec. 5. There is hereby established an interdepartmental committee on aging to coordinate the plans, policies and activities of the state departments which have services affecting the aging and aged and to work with the state council on aging to implement its objectives. Membership shall consist of the director or his designated representative of the department of commerce and economic development, employment security, health, institu-
State council, interdepartmental committee, on aging.

The interdepartmental committee shall elect a chairman and recording secretary. The committee shall meet with the state council for aging at its regular meetings.

SEC. 6. The consultant on aging of the state department of public assistance shall serve as the executive secretary to the council on aging and the interdepartmental committee.

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CHAPTER 40.
[ House Bill No. 397. ]

STATE FOREST LANDS—RECONVEYANCE TO LEWIS COUNTY.

An Act relating to state forest lands; and directing a reconveyance of certain lands to Lewis county.

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

SECTION 1. The governor shall execute, the secretary of state shall attest, and the department of natural resources shall deliver to Lewis county, a legal subdivision of the state, a deed re vesting Lewis county with all right, title, and interest acquired by the state of Washington in the west half of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter ($W^{1/2} SE^{1/4} SW^{1/4}$) of section 22, township 13 north, range 5 west, W.M., from the county under deeds dated April 1, 1937, and recorded in Volume 225 of Deeds, page 100, and Volume 226 of Deeds, page 478, records of Lewis county, Washington.