NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 41.40 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) "Index" for purposes of this section, shall mean, for any calendar year, that year's annual average consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, all items (1957-1959 equal one hundred) -- compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor.

(2) "Prior pension" shall mean the pension portion of any service retirement allowance computed and payable, under the pre March 25, 1969 provisions of RCW 41.40.190 or 41.40.290, including all options described therein, to any beneficiary based upon an effective retirement date which is prior to April 1, 1969;

(3) Effective July 1, 1970, every prior pension which is then being paid to any retired member or his designated beneficiary shall be adjusted to that dollar amount which bears the ratio to its original dollar amount which the retirement board finds to exist between the index for 1969 and the index for the calendar year prior to the effective retirement date of the person to whom, or on behalf of whom, such retirement allowance is being paid.

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CHAPTER 69
[House Bill No. 63]
MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATIONS--RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEGISLATURE

AN ACT Relating to municipal corporations and other public agencies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. It is the purpose of this act to assist the legislature in obtaining adequate information as to the needs of its municipal corporations and other public agencies and their recommendations for improvements.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of each association of municipal corporations or municipal officers, which is
recognized by law and utilized as an official agency for the co-
ordination of the policies and/or administrative programs of munici-
pal corporations, to submit biennially, or oftener as necessary, to
the governor and to the legislature the joint recommendations of
such participating municipalities regarding changes which would
affect the efficiency of such municipal corporations. Such associa-
tions shall include but shall not be limited to the Washington state
association of fire commissioners, the Washington state association
of water districts, the Washington state association of sewer dis-
tricts, and the Washington state school directors' association.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The intent of this act is to clarify
and implement the powers of the public agencies to which it relates
and nothing herein shall be construed to impair or limit the exist-
ing powers of any municipal corporation or association.

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CHAPTER 70
[House Bill No. 66]
IRRIGATION DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

AN ACT Relating to irrigation district improvement districts; amend-
ing section 11, chapter 162, Laws of 1917 as amended by sec-
tion 26, chapter 129, Laws of 1921 and RCW 87.03.485; amend-
ing section 12, chapter 162, Laws of 1917 as last amended by
section 27, chapter 129, Laws of 1921 and RCW 87.03.490; amend-
ing section 13, chapter 162, Laws of 1917 as last amended by
section 1, chapter 68, Laws of 1957 and RCW 87.03.495; amend-
ing section 14, chapter 162, Laws of 1917 as amended by sec-
tion 29, chapter 129, Laws of 1921 and RCW 87.03.500; amending
section 1, chapter 128, Laws of 1935 and RCW 87.03.505; amend-
ing section 2, chapter 128, Laws of 1935 and RCW 87.03.510;
amending section 17, chapter 180, Laws of 1919 and RCW 87.03-
.525; and adding a new section to chapter 87.03 RCW.

E IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON: