be included in the civil service and retirement plans of ((such)) the city or the county: PROVIDED, That residential requirements for such positions shall be coextensive with the county boundaries: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the city or county is authorized to pay such parts of the expense of operating and maintaining such civil service and retirement system and to contribute to the retirement fund in behalf of employees such sums as may be agreed upon between the ((governing-bodies)) legislative authorities of such city and county.

Sec. 3. Section 6, chapter 46, Laws of 1949 and RCW 70.08.080 are each amended to read as follows:

The city by ordinance, and the county by ((resolution)) appropriate legislative enactment, under this chapter may pool all or any part of their respective funds available for public health purposes, in the office of the city treasurer or the office of the county treasurer in a special pooling fund to be established in accordance with agreements between the ((governing-bodies)) legislative authorities of said city and county and which shall be expended for the combined health department.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 58
[House Bill No. 1460]
STATE SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND—CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES' SALARIES

AN ACT Relating to certain educational facilities and programs; and amending section 72.05-.140, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 as last amended by section 9, chapter 217, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 72.05.140.

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

Section 1. Section 72.05.140, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 as last amended by section 9, chapter 217, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 72.05.140 are each amended to read as follows:
The department, in order to provide educational facilities and programs for persons admitted or committed to the state schools for the deaf and blind, is authorized either to:

(1) Enter into an agreement with the school district within which the institution is situated, or

(2) Provide a comprehensive school program in connection with any institution as if that institution were itself a local school system.

In the event that either option is exercised, all teachers shall meet all certification requirements and the program shall conform to the usual standards defined by law or by regulations of the state board of education or the office of the state superintendent of public instruction and/or other recognized national certificating agencies. Commencing with the 1981–82 school year, and each school year thereafter, salaries of all certificated employees shall be set so as to conform to and be contemporary with salaries paid to other certificated employees of similar background and experience in the school district in which the program or facility is located.

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CHAPTER 59
[House Bill No. 1463]
SCHOOL STUDENTS—EXCUSED ABSENCES

AN ACT Relating to education; and amending section 2, chapter 10, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. as last amended by section 4, chapter 201, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.27.010.

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

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 10, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. as last amended by section 4, chapter 201, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.27.010 are each amended to read as follows:

All parents, guardians and the persons in this state having custody of any child eight years of age and under fifteen years of age shall cause such child to attend the public school of the district in which the child resides for the full time when such school may be in session or to attend a private school for the same time unless the school district superintendent of the district in which the child resides shall have excused such child from attendance because the child is physically or mentally unable to attend school (or unless such child), is attending a residential school operated by the department of social and health services, or has been excused upon the request of his or her parents, guardians, or persons in this state having custody of any such child, for purposes agreed upon by the school authorities and