

CHAPTER 93.

[S. S. B. 171.]

ADMISSION TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF CHILDREN RESIDING ON UNITED STATES RESERVATIONS.

AN ACT relating to the admission to the public schools of children residing within the boundaries of United States military, naval and lighthouse reservations and national parks, and providing for the taking of an annual census thereof and the reimbursement of school districts for the cost of attendance thereof and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That any child who is of school age and otherwise eligible, residing within the boundaries of any United States military, naval or lighthouse reservation or national park within the State of Washington, shall be admitted to the public school, or schools, of any contiguous district without payment of tuition: *Provided*, The United States authorities in charge of such reservation or park shall cooperate fully with the state, county and school district authorities in the enforcement of the laws of this state relating to the compulsory attendance of children of school age, and all laws relating to and regulating school attendance: *Provided, Further*, That school districts, in the schools of which any child or children residing within any United States military, naval or lighthouse reservation or national park attend under the provisions of this section, shall be reimbursed from the current state school fund and the proceeds of the county school levy, in the proportion of two-thirds and one-third, respectively, up to but not to exceed the average cost per pupil per day of educating pupils for the preceding school year throughout the state in grade schools or high schools, as the case may be.

Children on U. S. reservations: Admission to public schools.

Conditions.

Reimbursement of school district.

SEC. 2. The clerk of any school district entitled to reimbursement as hereinbefore provided shall certify, under oath, as a part of his annual report to the county superintendent of schools, to be made on or before the fifteenth day of July, as required by law, the following facts as nearly as the same can be ascertained, which data shall in turn be included in the report of the county school superintendent to the state superintendent of public instruction: The name, age and postoffice address of each pupil from a United States military, naval or lighthouse reservation or national park enrolled in the school, or schools, of his district during the school year, with the number of days attendance of each such pupil, and whether such pupil was enrolled in a grade school or a high school.

Cost per  
puppl.

For the purpose of ascertaining the average cost of educating pupils in the high schools and grade schools, respectively, throughout the state, the following items of school expenditure shall be used: Salaries of teachers, supervisors, principals, special instructors, superintendents and assistants, janitors, clerks and secretaries, stenographers and all other employes; fuel, light, water, power, telephones, text books, office expenses, janitors' supplies, freight, express, drayage, rents for school purposes, upkeep of grounds, upkeep of shops and laboratories, all materials used in instruction, insurance, current ordinary repairs of every nature, inspection, promotion of health and such other current expenditures as may be necessary to the efficient operation of the high schools or grade schools, respectively. Expenditures for real estate, construction of buildings, and for other permanent improvements and fixtures shall not be included in estimating school expenditures for the purposes of this act.

Reservation  
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census.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the clerk of the school district contiguous to any United States mili-

tary, naval or lighthouse reservation or national park in which the majority of children residing within such reservation or park attend, to take a census of the children residing within such reservation or park at the time of taking the census of the school children of his district as provided by law and to report such census in the manner provided by law for reporting the school census of his district.

SEC. 4. The apportionment of state and county funds to reimburse the school districts in which any child or children from any United States Military, Naval or Lighthouse Reservation, or National Park attend school, as provided in section one of this Act shall be made at the time of making the annual December apportionment by the superintendent of public instruction and the county superintendent of schools.

Reimburse-  
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districts.

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

Emergency.

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