

SEC. 5. There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the salaries, wages and expenses of the committee and its employees in accordance with the provisions of this act. Appropriation.

Passed the Senate March 1, 1943.

Passed the House March 8, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1943.

CHAPTER 165.

[S. B. 300.]

APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM COMMITTEE ON GAME.

AN Act relating to the Department of Game; providing for the appointment of an interim committee and prescribing its powers and duties; and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. The successful policies of the state with respect to game management have resulted in seasonal deer and elk concentrations within certain agricultural and horticultural areas of the state giving rise to numerous damage inflictions upon cultivated agricultural and horticultural crops, for which no adequate mode of relief or prevention has been provided. The public has evidenced popular favor of an abundant supply of all species of wild life and will not be subserved by retrenching in the matter of wild life conservation or propagation. It appears to be the consensus of the many diversified and interested groups who have express opinions on the problem that prevention of damage by wild life rather than compensation for damage after it has occurred is the most practical, equitable and economically sound method of solution. The limited data and information available on the aggregate Need for study declared.

damage sustained to personal property and crops by reason of the increased abundance of game life within the state and because of the limited sums of money available in the State Game Fund, the varied sources from which such money is derived, and because of the complications involved and the inequities to certain classes of license holders that would result in attaching responsibility for any or all game damage claims to existing game funds, it appears that the only fair and satisfactory solution to the problem that exists can be arrived at only by a further study and survey and an unbiased approach to the entire game damage situation.

Interim
committee
created.

SEC. 2. The President of the Senate is hereby empowered to appoint three (3) Senate members, and the Speaker of the House [of the House] of Representatives is hereby empowered to appoint three (3) House members, who are hereby authorized and empowered to seek advice from all interested parties and to investigate the existing game problems in relation to all ramifications involved as to the points contained herein, and all activities of the State Game Department and make a mutual report, including therein recommendations for legislation, for consideration by the 1945 legislative session, and to employ such clerical assistance as is necessary to carry out the intent of this act.

Report to
Legislature.

Reimburse-
ment for
expenses.

SEC. 3. The members of said committee shall be entitled to their actual travel, lodging and subsistence expenses while absent from their usual place of residence in the service of the state in attendance at meetings of the committee and for traveling to and from such meetings, the same to be paid upon their individual vouchers.

Appropriation.

SEC. 4. There is hereby appropriated from the State Game Fund the sum of ten thousand dollars

(\$10,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the provisions of this act.

Passed the Senate March 3, 1943.

Passed the House March 8, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1943.

CHAPTER 166.

[S. B. 9.]

PORT DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to the powers of port districts and amending section 1, chapter 45, Laws of 1939 (section 9709-1, Remington's Revised Statutes, Supplement), section 4, chapter 92, Laws of 1911, as amended by section 4, chapter 62, Laws of 1913, as further amended by section 1, chapter 125, Laws of 1917, and as further amended by section 1, chapter 183, Laws of 1921 (section 9692, Remington's Revised Statutes), and section 6, chapter 92, Laws of 1911, as amended by section 6, chapter 62, Laws of 1913 (section 9694, Remington's Revised Statutes), and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1 of chapter 45, Laws of 1939 (section 9709-1 of Remington's Revised Statutes, Supplement) be amended to read as follows: Amendments.

Section 1. The Port Commission of any port district in any county may after a public hearing thereon, of which at least ten days' notice shall be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in such port district, create industrial development districts within such port district and define the boundaries thereof: *Provided*, Such Port Commission shall after such hearing determine that the creation of such industrial development district is proper and desirable in establishing and developing a system of harbor improvements and development in such port district. Industrial development districts.