

any common seal or sea lion not caught in the waters of the State of Washington, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Penalty.

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CHAPTER 230.

[H. B. 76.]

PROPOSED CASCADE TUNNEL.

AN ACT providing for the survey and study of a low level tunnel for travel through the Cascade Mountains connecting the eastern and western parts of the state, by the Washington Toll Bridge Authority, making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. The Washington Toll Bridge Authority is hereby empowered to make a survey and study of the feasibility of constructing a low level tunnel with low gradient approaches through the Cascade Mountains at suitable places for railway, vehicular and other travel and for carrying electric transmission lines and all other highway accessories, and shall estimate its cost, and probable earning capacity. It shall employ engineers and other technical and clerical help and shall purchase supplies and materials essential to the survey. The authority, if it deems it advisable, shall apply to the United States Government, or any of its departments or agencies for military, financial, or technical assistance. When the survey is completed, the authority shall submit its report together with its recommendation to the Governor of the State of Washington for transmission to the legislature convening in 1947.

Toll Bridge
Authority
survey of
Cascade
tunnel.

SEC. 2. There is hereby appropriated from the Motor Vehicle Fund of the state, the sum of one

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hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purposes of this act.

Effective immediately.

SEC. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and in support of the state government and its existing institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 231.

[H. B. 234.]

CENSUS--ALLOCATION OF STATE FUNDS.

AN ACT relating to cities and towns and the State funds and monies allocated and paid to them; prescribing the method for determining the population basis for such allocations; making appropriations; and declaring that this act shall take effect immediately.

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

Census for allocation of state funds.

SECTION 1. Whenever the cities and towns of the state are under law allocated or entitled to be paid any state funds or state monies from any source, and the allocation is required to be made on the basis of population, on and after the 1st day of April, 1945, the allocation shall be made on the population of the respective cities and towns and the aggregate population of the cities and towns fixed by the State Census Board hereinafter created: *Provided*, That in determining population of cities and towns for such allocation purposes no city or town shall be included in the population basis at a lower population than shown by the 1940 Federal Census, or if the city or town was incorporated after that census was taken, at a lower population basis than that of its incorporation population.