CHAPTER 78. [S. B. 68.]

STATE DEPOSITARIES—COLLATERAL REQUIRED— INVESTIGATION.

An Acr relating to state depositaries and amending section 1, chapter 129, Laws of 1945 and RCW 43.85.030.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 129, Laws of 1945 Amendment. and RCW 43.85.030 are each amended to read as follows:

Every state depositary, before it shall be entitled security required of state depositations; to receive any state moneys, shall deposit with the state treasurer securities hereinafter enumerated as collateral and pledge for payment on demand or at a specified future date, to him or his order, free of exchange, at any place designated by him, of all such moneys deposited with it and of interest thereon at the rate fixed by the state finance committee, if there has been no default in the payment of principal or interest thereon:

- (1) Bonds, notes, or other securities constituting direct and general obligations of the United States or the bonds, notes, or other securities constituting the direct and general obligation of any instrumentality of the United States, the interest and principal of which is unconditionally guaranteed by the United States:
- (2) (a) Direct and general obligation bonds of the state or of any other state of the United States;
- (b) Revenue bonds of this state or any authority, board, commission, committee, or similar agency thereof;
- (3) Direct and general obligation bonds and warrants of any city, town, county, school district. port district, or other political subdivision of the state, having the power to levy general taxes, which are payable from general ad valorem taxes:

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(4) Bonds issued by public utility districts as authorized under the provisions of Title 54.

Surety bond.

The state finance committee in lieu of collateral, may accept from any depositary a good and sufficient bond of a surety company authorized to do business in the state, to be approved by the committee, as security and pledge for the payment on demand or at a specified future date to the state treasurer or his order, free of exchange, at any place in this state designated by the treasurer, of all such moneys deposited with it, and of interest thereon at the rate fixed by the state finance committee, which bond shall be at least equal to the amount of the moneys to be received by the depositary.

Investigation of prospective and existing depositaries.

The finance committee may require the state auditor or the supervisor of banking to thoroughly investigate and report to it concerning the condition of any bank which makes application to become a state depositary, and may also as often as it deems necessary require such investigation and report concerning the condition of any bank which has been designated as such depositary, the expense of the investigation to be borne by the depositary examined.

Passed the Senate January 26, 1955.

Passed the House February 23, 1955.

Approved by the Governor March 4, 1955.