

ered when computing the limitations on cash balances set out in section 4, chapter 164, Laws of 1923 as last amended by section 1, chapter 145, Laws of 1943 and RCW 36.40.090.

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## CHAPTER 173.

[ S. B. 182. ]

### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION—ARRESTS—PLATES FOR INTERSTATE CARRIERS—COLLECTION OF EXCISE TAX.

AN ACT relating to the Washington public service commission; amending section 80.04.470, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 (House Bill No. 5), and RCW 80.04.470; amending section 81.04.460, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 (House Bill No. 5), and RCW 81.04.460; and adding a new section to chapter 14, Laws of 1961 (House Bill No. 5), and to chapter 81.80 RCW.

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

RCW 80.04.470  
amended.

SECTION 1. Section 80.04.470, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 (House Bill No. 5), and RCW 80.04.470 are each amended to read as follows:

Commission to  
enforce public  
service laws  
—Arrest with-  
out warrant.

It shall be the duty of the commission to enforce the provisions of this title and all other acts of this state affecting public service companies, the enforcement of which is not specifically vested in some other officer or tribunal. Any employee of the commission may, without a warrant, arrest any person found violating in his presence any provision of this title, or any rule or regulation adopted by the commission: *Provided*, That each such employee shall be first specifically designated in writing by the commission or a member thereof as having been found to be a fit and proper person to exercise such authority. Upon being so designated such person shall be a

peace officer and a police officer for the purposes herein mentioned.

SEC. 2. Section 81.04.460, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 (House Bill No. 5), and RCW 81.04.460 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 81.04.460 amended.

It shall be the duty of the commission to enforce the provisions of this title and all other acts of this state affecting public service companies, the enforcement of which is not specifically vested in some other officer or tribunal. Any employee of the commission may, without a warrant, arrest any person found violating in his presence any provision of this title, or any rule or regulation adopted by the commission: *Provided*, That each such employee shall be first specifically designated in writing by the commission or a member thereof as having been found to be a fit and proper person to exercise such authority. Upon being so designated such person shall be a peace officer and a police officer for the purposes herein mentioned.

Commission to enforce public service laws — Arrest without warrant.

SEC. 3. There is added to chapter 14, Laws of 1961 (House Bill No. 5), and to chapter 81.80 RCW a new section to read as follows:

New section.

Any common carrier or contract carrier who operates any motor vehicle exclusively in interstate commerce between points in this state and points outside the state may, as an alternative to complying with the requirements of RCW 81.80.310, 81.80.314, 81.80.316, and 81.80.317, operate any such motor vehicle, truck, tractor, trailer, or semi-trailer in such interstate commerce without securing a plate or the payment of a plate fee therefor if the carrier secures from the commission, and carries in such form and manner as the commission shall prescribe, an identification card and pays a fee of three dollars for each such card and pays the applicable gross weight fee prescribed by RCW 81.80.310, 81.80.314, 81.80.316, and 81.80.317.

Identification card in lieu of plates.

Fees.

Conversion to card method authorized.

Any carrier who after the effective date of this act desires to avail himself of the alternative provided herein and who has acquired his plate and paid his fee for any piece of motor propelled equipment for the current year may convert to the alternative method provided herein by application to the commission which shall have the power to issue the necessary identification card therefor, accept such additional fee, make such refund or establish such credit as the case may be.

Disposition of fees.

All fees collected hereunder shall be deposited in the state treasury for the credit of the public service revolving fund.

The commission shall not be required to collect the excise tax prescribed by RCW 82.44.070.

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CHAPTER 174.

[ S. B. 204. ]

EMPLOYEE WELFARE TRUST FUNDS.

AN ACT relating to employee welfare trust funds; amending section 2, chapter 8, Laws of 1955 extraordinary session and RCW 48.52.020; and amending section 3, chapter 8, Laws of 1955 extraordinary session and RCW 48.52.030.

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

RCW 48.52.020 amended.

SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 8, Laws of 1955 extraordinary session and RCW 48.52.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Employee welfare trust funds. Examination—Costs.

The commissioner may examine each employee welfare trust fund as often as he deems necessary, and the commissioner shall examine each employee welfare trust fund at least once every five years. The commissioner, for the purpose of this section, shall