

the support of the state government and its existing public institutions and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 1, 1945.

Passed the House March 7, 1945.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1945.

CHAPTER 219.

[S. B. 12.]

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND.

AN ACT relating to workmen's compensation and medical aid; establishing a second-injury fund and prescribing the purpose for which the same may be used; making an appropriation thereto, and amending section 4-A, chapter 74, Laws of 1911, as enacted by chapter 16, Laws of 1943.

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

SECTION 1. That section 4-A, chapter 74, Laws of 1911, as enacted by chapter 16, Laws of 1943, be amended to read as follows:

Computation of award for second injury.

Section 4-A. Whenever a workman has sustained a previous bodily infirmity or disability from any previous injury or disease, and shall suffer a further injury or disease in employment covered by this act, and become totally and permanently disabled from the combined effects thereof, then the accident cost rate of the employer at the time of said further injury or disease shall only be charged with the accident cost which would have resulted solely from said further injury or disease had there been no pre-existing disability and which accident cost shall be based upon the experience of the department in similar injuries or diseases. The difference between the charge thus assessed to the employer at the time of said further injury or disease and the total cost of the pension reserve shall be assessed against the second-injury fund.

SEC. 2. There is hereby created a special fund to be known as the "Second-injury Fund" which shall be used only for the purpose of defraying charges assessed against it as provided in section 1. There is hereby appropriated to such fund from the Accident Fund, for the fiscal biennium ending March 31, 1947, the sum of five hundred thousand (\$500,000.00) dollars or so much thereof as shall be necessary.

Second
injury
fund.

Appropriation.

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CHAPTER 220.

[S. B. 256.]

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITALS.

AN ACT providing state aid for counties for constructing, altering, adding to and equipping tuberculosis hospitals; providing for the appointment of a State Tuberculosis Building Commission; defining its powers and duties; and appropriating funds for the purposes of this act.

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

SECTION 1. In order to provide the additional hospital beds, equipment and other facilities necessary for the adequate care of tuberculosis patients needing hospitalization, state aid to counties to assist in such building program is necessary. In order to effectively carry out the purposes of this act, there shall be appointed by the Governor, within thirty (30) days from the effective date of this act, a State Tuberculosis Building Commission of seven (7) members who shall hold office at the pleasure of the Governor, composed of one public spirited citizen selected from each congressional district, not more than two (2) of whom may be physicians, and the State Director of Health.

Tuberculosis
Building
Commission.

Members.