

CHAPTER 79.

[H. B. 286.]

JUDGES' RETIREMENT.

AN ACT relating to supreme and superior court judges; providing in certain cases retirement benefits for widows of judges, increasing deductions from judges' salaries, and amending sections 2.12.030 and 2.12.060, R.C.W.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2.12.030, R.C.W., as derived from section 3, chapter 229, Laws of 1937, as last amended by section 1, chapter 19, Laws of 1945, is Amendment. amended to read as follows:

Every judge of the supreme or superior court of the state who retires from office under the provisions of this chapter shall be entitled to receive monthly during the period of his natural life, out of the fund hereinafter created, an amount equal to one-half of the monthly salary he was receiving as a judge at the time of his retirement, or at the end of the term immediately prior to his retirement if his retirement is made after expiration of his term. The Judges who retire.
Monthly payments.
Amount.
Widow.
Wife for 10 years.
Other grants-in-aid deducted.

The widow of any judge who shall have heretofore retired or may hereafter retire, or of a judge who was heretofore or may hereafter be eligible for retirement at the time of his death, if she had been his wife continuously for ten years prior to his being eligible for retirement, shall be paid an amount equal to one-half of the retirement pay for her husband, as long as she remains unmarried. Payments to any widow shall be reduced by any amount received by her subsequent to her husband's death under social security, old age assistance, or other grant in aid under state and federal law. The retirement pay shall be paid monthly by the state treasurer on or before the tenth day of each month.

[Am. Rem. Supp. 1945, § 11054-3.]

SEC. 2. Section 2.12.060, R.C.W., as derived from section 6, chapter 229, Laws of 1937, as last amended by section 1, chapter 189, Laws of 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

Judges retirement fund deductions.

For the purpose of providing moneys in said judges' retirement fund, concurrent monthly deductions from judges' salaries and portions thereof payable from the state treasury and withdrawals from the general fund of the state treasury shall be made as follows: Six and one-half per cent shall be deducted from the monthly salary of each judge of the supreme court and six and one-half per cent of the total salaries of each judge of the superior court shall be deducted from that portion of the salary of such judges payable from the state treasury; and a sum equal to five per cent of the combined salaries of the judges of the supreme court and the judges of the superior court shall be withdrawn from the general fund of the state treasury. In consideration of the contributions made by the judges to the judges' retirement fund, the state hereby undertakes to guarantee the solvency of said fund and the legislature shall make biennial appropriations from the general fund amounts sufficient to guarantee the making of retirement payments as herein provided for if the money in the judges' retirement fund shall become insufficient for that purpose, but such biennial appropriation may be conditioned that sums appropriated may not be expended unless the money in the judges' retirement fund shall become insufficient to meet the retirement payments. The deductions and withdrawals herein directed shall be made on or before the tenth day of each month and shall be based on the salaries of the next preceding calendar month. The state auditor shall issue warrants payable to the treasurer to accomplish the deductions and withdrawals herein directed, and shall issue the monthly salary warrants of the judges for the amount

State's contribution.

Solvency guaranteed.

Deductions, when made.

Auditor to issue warrants.

of salary payable from the state treasury after such deductions have been made. The treasurer shall cash the warrants made payable to him hereunder and place the proceeds thereof in the judges' retirement fund for disbursement as authorized in this chapter.

Treasurer to
place sums
in fund.

[Am. Rem. Supp. 1949, § 11054-6.]

Passed the House February 22, 1951.

Passed the Senate March 4, 1951.

Approved by the Governor March 13, 1951.

CHAPTER 80.

[H. B. 308.]

BUDGETARY POWER OF TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION IN CERTAIN CITIES.

AN ACT authorizing transportation commissions of certain first class cities to budget and manage their own funds.

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

SECTION 1. In any city of the first class having a population of three hundred thousand or more, where there is a transportation commission vested with the power to manage a municipal transportation system, that commission is hereby vested with the power to budget and manage all funds of the municipal transportation system.

Cities over
300,000.

Transportation
commission.

Passed the House February 28, 1951.

Passed the Senate March 5, 1951.

Approved by the Governor March 13, 1951.