

CHAPTER 130.

[ S. B. 212. ]

INTERSTATE COMPACT COMMISSION.

AN ACT relating to the interstate compact commission; and amending sections 1 and 2, chapter 113, Laws of 1951 (uncodified).

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 113, Laws of 1951 (uncodified), is amended to read as follows: Amendment.

There is created the interstate compact commission to consist of five members, no more than three of which shall have the same political party affiliation, to be appointed as follows: One member, appointed by the governor, who shall be the chairman and who shall serve at the pleasure of the governor, and four members of the state legislature, two of whom shall be members of the house of representatives and shall be appointed by the speaker of the house, and two of whom shall be members of the senate and shall be appointed by the president of the senate. The commission shall represent the state on a joint commission to be composed of commissioners representing the states of Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming and one or more commissioners representing the United States, should they be appointed to said joint commission by the president of the United States, which joint commission shall be organized for the purpose of considering, negotiating and entering into an agreement or compact between not less than five of said states, with the consent of the congress of the United States respecting the division, apportionment and use of the waters of the Columbia river and of its tributaries and the determination of rights in connection therewith and incidental thereto.

Interstate compact commission created.  
Membership.  
Purpose.  
Joint commission.  
Purpose.

SEC. 2. Section 2, chapter 113, Laws of 1951 (uncodified), is amended to read as follows: Amendment.

Powers and  
duties of  
interstate  
compact  
commission.

Terms of  
office.

Vacancies.

Compensa-  
tion of  
members.

Exception.

How paid.

The commission representing the state on said joint commission shall have full authority to consider and carry on negotiations for such agreement or compact, to attend meetings of the joint commission convening in or out of the state, to employ clerical, legal and engineering assistance and generally to perform such duties as shall be required of the members thereof in carrying out the purpose and intent of this act; the term of office of said commissioners shall be from the effective date of this act until an agreement or compact binding on the state of Washington under the provisions of section 3 hereof has been entered into. Any vacancies occurring in the membership of said commission shall be filled by the appointive power shown in section 1. Members of the commission representing the state who are not in the regular employ of the state shall receive a per diem of fifteen dollars for the time actually spent on the work of the commission, and reimbursement for subsistence and traveling expenses incurred while away from their respective places of abode. Members of the commission who are in the regular employ of the state shall receive no per diem, but shall receive reimbursement for subsistence and traveling expenses incurred while away from their respective places of abode, in lieu of other provisions made by law for reimbursement of their expenses as such state employees. Payment of all expenses incurred by the interstate compact commission, including the per diem and expenses of its members, shall be made on vouchers approved by its chairman.

Passed the Senate March 6, 1953.

Passed the House March 4, 1953.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1953.