

CHAPTER 305.

[H. B. 355.]

STATE PENITENTIARY—PAYMENT OF PRISONERS.

AN ACT relating to the Washington State Penitentiary, providing for the management thereof, making appropriation for the payment of prisoners therein, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith.

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

SECTION 1. Every prisoner in the Washington state penitentiary shall be required to work in such manner as may be prescribed by the director of business control, provided that prisoners shall not be employed in what is known as the contract system of prison labor.

State prisoners required to work.

No contract system.

SEC. 2. The director of business control shall have power to make rules and regulations for the discipline, employment, instruction, education and compensation of prisoners in the Washington state penitentiary.

Director of business control to make rules for discipline, compensation, etc.

SEC. 3. Where a prisoner is employed at any occupation for which pay is allowed or permitted, or at any gainful occupation from which the state derives an income, the director of business control is authorized to credit the prisoner with such amount of his earnings as the director may deem just and equitable, but in no case more than 20 per cent of his earnings shall be paid to him or his family. Upon release, or discharge, from the penitentiary, an additional sum, not exceeding 25 per cent of the moneys thus earned, may be paid to the person discharged or released.

Prisoner credited with earnings.

Portion payable to him or family.

Payment when discharged.

SEC. 4. There is hereby appropriated from the penitentiary revolving fund the sum of \$25,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, in compensating prisoners as in this act provided.

Appropriation for payment.

Payments upon vouchers.

SEC. 5. Payments to prisoners, or their families, as in this act provided, shall be upon vouchers approved by the director of business control.

Conflicting acts repealed.

SEC. 6. All acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed the House March 3, 1927.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1927.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1927.

CHAPTER 306.

[H. B. 364.]

COAL MINING CODE.

AN ACT relating to and regulating the operation of coal mines, prescribing the qualifications and duties and fixing the salaries of certain officers, prescribing the qualifications and duties of certain employes in coal mines, amending Sections 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12, 15, 16 and repealing Section 17 of Chapter 36 of the Laws of 1917, amending said Chapter 36 of the Laws of 1917 by adding thereto new sections to be known as Sections 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227 and 228, repealing Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33 of Chapter 130 of the Laws of 1919, and making an appropriation.

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

Statute amended.

SECTION 1. That section 2 of chapter 36 of the Laws of 1917, page 112 (section 8637 of Remington's Compiled Statutes; section 3829 of Pierce's Code), be amended to read as follows:

Division of mining safety personnel.

Section 2. There shall be in the department of labor and industries a division to be known as the "division of mining safety", which shall consist of the state mining board, the chief state mine inspector, such deputy state mine inspectors, not to exceed two, and such clerical assistants as may be necessary to carry on the work of the division. The director of labor and industries shall have the power:

Powers of director of labor and industries.