

CHAPTER 187.

[H. B. 196.]

EASTERN WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

AN ACT relating to the Eastern Washington State Historical Society and creating it a trustee of the State of Washington for certain purposes.

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

SECTION 1. That the Eastern Washington State Historical Society, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Washington, be and the same is hereby created a trustee of the State of Washington for the intent and purposes hereinafter mentioned:

Trustee.

Duties of society.

Pioneer history.

Indians.

Books, etc.

Bind books.

Catalogue.

1. That it shall be the duty of the said society to collect books, maps, charts, papers and materials illustrative of the history of this state, and of its progress and development.

2. To procure from pioneers authentic narrative of their experiences and of incidents relating to the early settlement of this state.

3. To gather data and information concerning the origin, history, language and customs of our Indian tribes.

4. To procure and purchase books, papers and pamphlets for the several departments of its collections, climatic, health and mortuary statistics, and such other books, maps, charts, papers and materials as will facilitate the investigation of the historical, scientific and literary subjects.

5. To bind, shelf, store and safely keep the unbound books, documents, manuscripts, pamphlets and newspaper files now or hereafter to come into its possession.

6. To catalogue the collections of said society for the convenient reference of persons having occasion to consult same.

7. To prepare biennially for publication a report of its collections and such other matters relating to the work of the society as may be useful to the state and people thereof. Report.

8. To keep its rooms open at all reasonable hours of business days for the reception of citizens and visitors, without charge. Hours of business.

SEC. 2. That the books, maps, charts, relics, memorials, collections and all other property of the Society now owned or hereafter acquired shall be held by the said Society perpetually in trust for the use and benefit of the people of the State of Washington. Books, relics, etc.

SEC. 3. That the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer shall be *ex-officio* members of the Board of Trustees of the said Eastern Washington State Historical Society, authorized and empowered to vote upon all questions coming before the said board for its action. *Ex officio* trustees.

Passed the House December 19, 1925.

Passed the Senate December 29, 1925.

Approved by the Governor January 16, 1926.