

be credited: *And provided further*, That he restore all withdrawn accumulated contributions, which restoration must be completed within three years of membership service following his first resumption of employment.

Sec. 9. This act is necessary for the immediate Emergency. preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1967.

Passed the House March 8, 1967.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1967.

CHAPTER 128.

[Senate Bill No. 68.]

STATE PUBLIC PENSION COMMISSION.

AN ACT relating to the state public pension commission; amending section 3, chapter 17, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session and RCW 41.52.030; amending section 4, chapter 17, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session and RCW 41.52.040; and adding new sections to chapter 17, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session and to chapter 41.52 RCW.

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

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 17, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session, and RCW 41.52.030 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 41.52.030 amended.

The members of the commission shall be reimbursed for their expenses incurred while attending sessions of the commission or meetings of any committees of the commission or while engaged on other commission business authorized by the commission, at the rates provided in RCW 44.04.120, as now or hereafter amended. The commission shall select a

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chairman, vice chairman and secretary from among its members. The commission shall have authority to select and employ such research, technical, and clerical personnel and consultants as it deems necessary to carry out its powers and duties, whose compensation and salaries shall be fixed by the commission. A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

RCW 41.52.040 amended.

Sec. 2. Section 4, chapter 17, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session, and RCW 41.52.040 are each amended to read as follows:

Powers and duties.

The commission shall have the following powers and duties:

(1) Study the pension and benefit laws applicable to officers and employees in governmental service throughout the state and appraise and evaluate the existing laws pertaining to this subject;

(2) Study and consider the financial problems of the several retirement and pension funds and make recommendations as to revisions in financial provisions and methods of amortizing the accrued liabilities of such funds without impairment of any of the rights and equities of participants and beneficiaries but in conformity with sound and established principles of financing pension fund obligations;

(3) Study and make recommendations concerning the extension of pension coverage to public employees to whom pension protection has not been accorded;

(4) Study and make recommendations concerning the preservation and continuity of earned rights and credits in public employment for pension purposes including a thorough study of the legal, financial and other aspects of so-called legal vesting of pension rights;

(5) Evaluate all pension proposals in terms of policy, cost implications, and their impact on other public employee retirement programs;

(6) Consider all aspects of pension planning and operation aiming toward the development of a standard pension policy grounded in fundamental principles;

(7) Consider the feasibility of codifying pension laws;

(8) Make available to such public officers and employees at all levels of government as it shall deem advisable, information as to pension and benefit studies, recommendations, and evaluations as to afford them an opportunity to become familiar with all aspects of pension problems so they may develop sound legislative and fiscal policies in accordance with established concepts of good retirement planning and sound financing;

(9) Report from time to time, at least biennially, to the members of the legislature, and to the governor, its conclusions and recommendations;

(10) Prepare an explanatory note for each pension bill introduced in the legislature, which note shall briefly explain the financial impact and policies of the bill, indicate the impact on the relative position of the system affected with the other public pension systems, and which shall be attached to or printed upon the printed bill;

(11) Study and make recommendations on the investment policies and procedures of all public pension systems.

Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 17, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session and to chapter 41.52 RCW a new section to read as follows:

New section.

(1) The commission, its staff and consultants as ordered by the commission shall have access to all files and records of the public pension systems in the state for inspection and review;

Access to public pension systems' records.

(2) The governing boards of all public pension systems in the state shall promptly forward to the commission copies of their minutes of meetings, ac-

tuarial reports, annual reports, reports on portfolio including changes in investment holdings showing sales, purchases and exchanges, and any other report which is approved for distribution by the board of trustees of any system.

New section.

Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 17, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session and to chapter 41.52 RCW a new section to read as follows:

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commission—
Subpoena
powers
granted.

In the discharge of any duty herein imposed, the commission or any personnel under its authority and its subcommittees shall have the authority to examine and inspect all files, records and accounts of any public retirement system or board, and to administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of any papers, books, accounts, documents and testimony, and to cause the deposition of witnesses, either residing within or without the state, to be taken in the manner prescribed by law for taking depositions in civil actions in the superior courts.

In the case of the failure on the part of any person to comply with any subpoena issued in behalf of the commission, or on the refusal of any witness to testify to any matters regarding which he may be lawfully interrogated, it shall be the duty of the superior court of any county, or the judge thereof, on application of the commission, to compel obedience by proceedings for contempt, as in the case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from such court or a refusal to testify therein.

Each witness who appears before the commission by its order, other than a state official or employee, shall receive for his attendance the fees and mileage provided for witnesses in civil cases in courts of record in accordance with RCW 2.40.010, which shall be audited and paid upon the presentation of

proper vouchers signed by such witness and approved by the secretary and chairman of the commission.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1967.

Passed the House March 8, 1967.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1967.

CHAPTER 129.

[Senate Bill No. 80.]

MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVERS' LICENSES.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle drivers' licenses; and adding a new section to chapter 12, Laws of 1961 and to chapter 46.20 RCW.

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

Section 1. There is added to chapter 12, Laws of 1961 and to chapter 46.20 RCW a new section to read as follows:

A Washington state motor vehicle driver's license issued to any person serving in the armed forces of the United States, if valid and in force and effect while such person is serving in the armed forces, shall remain in full force and effect so long as such service continues unless the same is sooner suspended, canceled, or revoked for cause as provided by law and for not to exceed ninety days following the date on which the holder of such driver's license is honorably separated from service in the armed forces of the United States.

New section.

Motor vehicle
drivers'
licenses—
Armed forces
personnel—
Limitation.

Passed the Senate January 31, 1967.

Passed the House March 4, 1967.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1967.