

CHAPTER 84.

[H. B. 505.]

MAXIMUM HOURS OF WORK FOR FEMALES.

AN ACT relating to female employment; providing a maximum number of hours that females may work during twenty-four, and amending section 49.28.070, R.C.W.

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

SECTION 1. Section 49.28.070, R.C.W., as derived from section 1, chapter 37, Laws of 1911, is amended to read as follows: Amendment.

No female shall be employed in any mechanical or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, or restaurant for more than eight hours during any day. The hours of work may be so arranged as to permit the employment of females at any time so that they shall not work more than eight hours during the twenty-four: *Provided*, That this section shall not apply to, or affect, females employed in harvesting, packing, curing, canning, or drying any variety of perishable fruit or vegetable, or to females employed in canning fish or shellfish: *Provided further*, That a three-member commission, consisting of one representative of labor, one of industry and one of state government, is hereby established. The commission shall be appointed by the governor from names submitted to him by organizations or associations representing labor, industry and government. The committee shall consider problems of national defense which may require relaxation of certain state practices or standards for the purpose of increasing defense and war production and shall consider any application made by employers therefor, which application must set forth the reason for the same. After investigation of any such application, the commission may, by majority vote, grant such application, in whole or in part, and issue a defense

Eight hour day for female employees.

Exception.

Commission created.

Governor to appoint.

Shall consider national defense problems.

Defense production permit.

production permit covering a designated place of employment. Such permits shall be valid only during the existence of the specific emergency for which the permit was issued.

Duration of commission.

The commission shall continue in existence only so long as a national emergency, as proclaimed by the president, continues to exist.

Penalty.

Any employer violating the provisions hereof shall, upon conviction, be fined a sum not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each offense.

[Am. R.R.S. § 7651.]

Partial invalidity.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act are to be severable, and if any section, subdivision or clause of this act shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the act.

Passed the House February 24, 1951.

Passed the Senate March 4, 1951.

Approved by the Governor March 13, 1951.

CHAPTER 85.

[H. B. 138.]

SALARIES OF OFFICERS IN SECOND CLASS CITIES.

AN ACT relating to salaries of officers of cities of the second class and amending section 35.23.220, R.C.W.

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

SECTION 1. Section 35.23.220, R.C.W., as derived from sections 1 to 5, inclusive, chapter 105, Laws of 1939, is amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

Council shall fix salaries subject to limitations below.

The city council shall fix the salary of all officials (except library trustees who shall serve without compensation) subject to the following limitations: