

CHAPTER 18.

[H. B. No. 28.]

BUREAU OF FARM DEVELOPMENT.

AN ACT creating the bureau of farm development of the State of Washington, providing for the appointment and maintenance of agricultural experts thereunder, and empowering the boards of county commissioners of the several counties of the State of Washington to appropriate, and set aside moneys therefor, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created the bureau of farm development of the State of Washington, which shall consist of the director of the experiment station of the State College of Washington, who shall be director thereof, and of the boards of county commissioners of all counties of the State of Washington desiring to participate therein. The officers and members of such bureau of farm development shall serve without salary, and the expenses incident to the operation of said bureau of farm development shall be borne by the county for which the same shall be incurred.

SEC. 2. The board of county commissioners of any county may by request in writing apply to the director of the bureau of farm development who shall appoint and assign to such county a competent agricultural expert: *Provided*, That the board of county commissioners applying therefor shall always have the right to reject any appointment, to determine the period during which such expert shall be employed, and to fix the compensation of such expert, not exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per month, and in their discretion necessary traveling expenses.

SEC. 3. Such expert shall during the period of his employment reside and maintain an office within the county for which he is appointed, and, with the consent of the board of county commissioners of such county he may em-

Bureau, of
whom com-
posed.

Expenses,
how paid.

Agricultural
expert.

Salary.

Office of
expert.

ploy such assistance as may be required and purchase such books, equipment, apparatus, and material as may be required, which books, equipment, apparatus, and material shall become and remain the property of the county: *Provided*, That the expenses which may be incurred by the authority of this section shall never exceed the sum of twelve hundred dollars during any calendar year.

Limitation on
expense.

SEC. 4. Such experts shall give individual instruction and conduct experimental work with the object of improving the agricultural methods and conditions of their counties, and shall perform such other duties as may be required, subject to the general supervision and control of the director of the bureau of farm development: *Provided*, That the boards of county commissioners shall always have the right to cooperate with the department of agriculture of the United States in the appointment, maintenance, and work of such experts; and in such event, the director of the bureau of farm development shall appoint for the county exercising the privilege herein granted such person as said department of agriculture may recommend, and said expert shall then be subject to the general supervision and control of said department of agriculture, and said department of agriculture shall defray such portion as may be agreed upon of the salary, office expenses, and other expenses incurred by such expert.

Duties of
expert.

Cooperate
with U. S.
Dept. of
Agriculture.

SEC. 5. For the purpose of fully and effectively carrying out the object and provisions of this act, the board of county commissioners participating herein of the several counties of the State of Washington are hereby empowered to levy, appropriate, and set aside such sum of money as may be necessary, not exceeding three thousand and six hundred dollars for any calendar year; and in the event of a failure from any cause to levy and appropriate such fund, and until the next annual tax levy, said boards of county commissioners are empowered to set aside such fund from the county current expense fund.

Tax levy
for bureau
work.

SEC. 6. This act is necessary for the immediate

Emergency.

preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House January 29, 1913.

Passed the Senate February 19, 1913.

Approved by the Governor February 28, 1913.

CHAPTER 19.

[H. B. No. 114.]

CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS.

AN ACT providing for the formation and carrying on of co-operative associations and providing for the rights, powers, liabilities and duties of the same.

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

SECTION 1. *Co-operative Associations—Who May Organize—Purposes.*

Who may
organize.

Any number of persons, not less than five, may associate themselves together as a co-operative association, society, company or exchange for the transaction of any lawful business on the co-operative plan. For the purposes of this act the words "association," "company," "exchange," "society" or "union" shall be construed the same.

SEC. 2. *Articles—Contents.*

Articles of
association.

Every association formed under this act shall prepare articles of association in writing, which shall set forth:

1. The name of the association.
2. The purpose for which it was formed.
3. Its principal place of business.
4. The term for which it is to exist which shall not exceed 50 years.
5. The amount of capital stock, the number of shares and the par value of each share.

SEC. 3. *Articles—Verification—Filing—When Legally Organized.*

The original articles of associations organized under this act or a true copy thereof verified to be such by the