

## CHAPTER 115.

[H. B. 140.]

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICERS OF STATE.

AN ACT relating to, and to promote efficiency, order and economy in, the administration of the government of the state, prescribing the powers and duties of certain officers and departments, creating the department of highways and the office of director of highways, and amending Sections 2, 3, 4 and 7 of Chapter 7 of the Laws of 1921, and declaring that this act shall take effect immediately.

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

SECTION 1. That section 2 of chapter 7 of the Laws of 1921 be amended to read as follows:

Section 2. There shall be, and are hereby created, departments of the state government which shall be known respectively as, (1) the department of public works, (2) the department of business control, (3) the department of efficiency, (4) the department of health, (5) the department of conservation and development, (6) the department of labor and industries, (7) the department of agriculture, (8) the department of licenses, (9) the department of fisheries and game, and (10) the department of highways; which departments shall be charged respectively with the execution, enforcement, and administration of such laws, and invested with such powers and required to perform such duties, as the legislature may provide.

SEC. 2. That section 3 of chapter 7 of the Laws of 1921 be amended to read as follows:

Section 3. There shall be a chief executive officer of each of the departments of the state government created by this act, to be known respectively as, (1) the director of public works, (2) the director of business control, (3) the director of efficiency, (4) the director of health, (5) the director of conservation and development, (6) the director of labor

Amends  
§ 2 Chap. 7,  
Laws 1921.

Departments  
created—  
public works,  
business  
control,  
efficiency,  
health,  
conservation  
and de-  
velopment,  
labor and  
industries,  
agriculture,  
licenses,  
fisheries and  
game,  
highways.

Amends  
§ 3 Chap. 7,  
Laws 1921.

Director of—  
public works,  
business  
control,  
efficiency,  
health, con-  
servation and  
development,  
labor and  
industries,  
agriculture,  
licenses,  
fisheries and  
game,  
highways.

and industries, (7) the director of agriculture, (8) the director of licenses, (9) the director of fisheries and game, and (10) the director of highways; who shall be appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate, and hold office at the pleasure of the governor: *Provided*, That, if the senate be not in session when this act takes effect, and in case a vacancy occurs while the senate is not in session, the governor shall make a temporary appointment until the next meeting of the senate, when he shall present to the senate his nomination for the office.

Appointment.

Senate consent.

SEC. 3. That section 4 of chapter 7 of the Laws of 1921 be amended to read as follows:

Amends § 4 Chap. 7, Laws 1921.

Section 4. There shall be, and are hereby created, administrative committees of the state government, which shall be known respectively as, (1) the state finance committee, (2) the state capitol committee, (3) the state parks committee, (4) the state voting machine committee, (5) the state law library committee.

Administrative committees—finance, capitol, parks, voting machine, law library.

SEC. 4. That section 7 of chapter 7 of the Laws of 1921 be amended to read as follows:

Amends § 7 Chap. 7, Laws 1921.

Section 7. The director of highways shall have the power, and it shall be his duty, to exercise all the powers and perform all the duties now vested in, and required to be performed by, the state highway committee. The director of highways shall have the power, and it shall be his duty, to exercise all the powers and perform all the duties now vested in, and required to be performed by, the state highway engineer. *Provided*, The director of highways need not be an engineer; and *Provided, further*, All contracts for highway construction shall be signed by the director of highways and by the governor.

Powers and duties of director of highways.

Qualifications highway construction contracts, signatures to.

SEC. 5. The state auditor shall have the power and it shall be his duty to inspect, examine and audit the books, accounts and records of the department of highways as often as he shall deem proper.

Vetoed

Effective immediately. SEC. 6. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the state government and its existing public institutions and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House March 13, 1929.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1929.

Approved by the Governor with the exception of section 5, which is vetoed, March 19, 1929.

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## CHAPTER 116.

[S. B. 159.]

### PRIMARY STATE HIGHWAY NO. 21 TO KEYPORT.

AN ACT changing and establishing state road No. 21 as a primary state highway and extending the same by a branch from junction therewith to Keyport, Kitsap County.

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

SECTION 1. That state road No. 21 be and is hereby established as a primary state highway, and the same is extended by branch from junction therewith, by the most feasible route, to Keyport, in Kitsap county, Washington.

Passed the Senate February 6, 1929.

Passed the House March 8, 1929.

Approved by the Governor March 14, 1929.