CHAPTER 117.

[S. B. 199.]

STATE FOREST BOARD.

An Act relating to state forests, defining the powers and duties of the state forest board and other state officials in respect thereto, creating a forest development fund, providing for revenue therefor and disbursements therefrom, and amending Sections 3 and 6 of Chapter 154 of the Laws of 1923.

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

Section 1. That section 3 of chapter 154 of the Amends Laws of 1923, be amended to read as follows:

Section 3. The board shall have the power to Powers. accept gifts and bequests of money or other property, made in its own name, or made in the name of the state, to promote generally the interests of reforestation or for a specific named purpose in connection with reforestation, and to acquire in the name of the state, by purchase or gift, any lands which by reason of their location, topography or geological formation, are chiefly valuable for purpose of developing and growing timber, and to designate such lands and any lands of the same character belonging to the state as state forest lands; and State forest lands may acquire by gift or purchase any lands of the designated. same character. Said board shall have power to seed, plant and develop forests on any lands, purchased, acquired or designated by it as state forest lands, and shall furnish such care and fire protection for such lands as it shall deem advisable.

Sec. 2. That section 6 of chapter 154 of the Laws of 1923, be amended to read as follows:

Section 6. There is hereby created a forest development fund of which the state treasurer shall be the custodian. There shall be placed in said fund such sums as may be provided by law and all moneys received by the state forest board or the State of

Vetoed.

Washington to generally promote the interest of reforestation or for a specific purpose in connection with reforestation, and the proceeds from the sale of any property so received shall be paid into said fund and shall be expended for the purpose for which given, and if no specific purpose is designated shall be used generally to promote the interest of reforestation. The state treasurer shall keep an account on his records of said fund and of all sums deposited therein and expended or withdrawn therefrom. Any sums placed in said forest development fund shall be kept separate and apart from the funds of the state treasury, and shall not be deemed to be a part of the state treasury funds, but shall be used for the purpose of paying interest and principal on the bonds issued by the state forest board, and for the purchase of, caring for, maintaining and administering lands for forest growing purposes. No sums shall be withdrawn or paid out of said fund except upon order of said state forest board.

Vetoed.

Passed the Senate February 14, 1929.

Passed the House February 27, 1929.

Approved by the Governor except section 2 which is vetoed March 11, 1929.