state government and its existing institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

SEC. 22. That section 6242 of Remington's Revised Statutes of the State of Washington be and the same is hereby repealed.

Passed the House December 30, 1933.

Passed the Senate December 29, 1933.

Approved by the Governor January 4, 1934, except as to section 22, which is vetoed.

I hereby certify that the House of Representatives failed to pass section 22 of House Bill No. 180 notwithstanding the veto of the Governor.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1934.

S. R. HOLCOMB,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

CHAPTER 13.

[S. B. 72.]

RECLAMATION OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

AN ACT relating to the department of conservation and development of the State of Washington and to the state reclamation revolving fund which is administered by said department; enlarging the powers and duties of the director of said department in regard to said fund, and amending section 5 of chapter 158 of the Laws of 1919 as amended by chapter 132 of the Laws of 1923 (same being section 3008 of Remington's Compiled Statutes of Washington); providing for the disposition of monies received by the State of Washington from certain fees, providing that same be paid into the state reclamation revolving fund, and amending section 3 of chapter 105, Laws of 1929; same being section 11575-3 of Remington's Compiled Statutes, exempting the Columbia Basin Commission or its assignee, the United States Bureau of Reclamation, from payment of fees in connection with the appropriation and use of waters of the Columbia River for development of the Grand Coulee project, and amending section 44. chapter 117, Laws of 1917, as amended, being section 7399 of Remington's Compiled Statutes; making an appropriation from the state reclamation revolving fund for the financing of irrigation and diking and/or drainage improvement districts, as set forth in and provided by chapter 16 of the Session Laws of 1933, regular session, and providing that this act shall take effect immediately.

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

SECTION 1. That section 5 of chapter 158 of the Laws of 1919, as amended by chapter 132 of the Laws of 1923 of the State of Washington, same being section 3008 of Remington's Compiled Statutes of Washington, be amended to read as follows:

Section 5. In carrying out the purposes of this act, the director of the department of conservation and development of the State of Washington shall be authorized and empowered:

To make surveys and investigations of the wholly or partially unreclaimed and undeveloped lands in this state and to determine the relative agricultural values, productiveness and uses, and the feasibility and cost of reclamation and development thereof;

To formulate and adopt a sound policy for the reclamation and development of the agricultural resources of the state, and from time to time select for reclamation and development such lands as may be deemed advisable, and the director may in his discretion advise as to the formation and assist in the organization of reclamation districts under the laws of this state;

To purchase the bonds of any reclamation district whose project is approved by the director and which is found to be upon a sound financial basis, to contract with any such district for making surveys and furnishing engineering plans and supervision for the construction of its project, or for constructing or completing its project and to advance money to the credit of the district for any or all of such purposes, and to accept the bonds of such district in payment therefor, and to expend the monies appropriated from the reclamation fund in

Amends § 5, ch. 158, Laws 1919, as amended by ch. 132, Laws 1923.

Director of conservation and development.

Powers and duties. Surveys and investigation.

Adopt policy for development of agricultural resources.

Aid to reclamation districts. Purchase of bonds. the purchase of such bonds or in carrying out such contracts: *Provided*. That interest not to exceed the annual rate provided for in the bonds agreed to be purchased, shall be charged and received for all monies advanced to the district prior to the delivery of the bonds and the amount of such interest shall be included in the purchase price of such bonds. Provided further. That no district, the bonds of which have been purchased by the state under the provisions of the State Reclamation Act. shall thereafter during the life of said bonds make expenditures of any kind from the bond fund of the district or incur obligations chargeable against such fund without previous written approval of the director of conservation and development of the State of Washington, and any obligations against such fund incurred without such approval shall be void.

To sell and dispose of any reclamation district Sale of honds. bonds acquired by the director, at public or private sale, and to pay the proceeds of such sale into the reclamation fund: Provided. That such bonds shall not be sold for less than the purchase price plus accrued interest, except in case of a sale to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or any other agency supplied with money by the United States of . America, or to the United States of America, in which case such bonds may be sold at a discount not exceeding ten per cent (10%) less than par.

To borrow money upon the security of any bonds, Borrow money. including refunding bonds, of any reclamation district, acquired by the director, on such terms and rate of interest and over such period of time as the director may see fit, and to hypothecate and pledge reclamation district bonds or refunding bonds acquired by the director as security for such loan. Such loans shall have, as their sole security, the bonds so pledged and the revenues therefrom, and the di-

Interest.

rector shall not have authority to pledge the general credit of the State of Washington: *Provided*, That in reloaning any money so borrowed, or obtained from a sale of bonds it shall be the duty of the director to fix such rates of interest as will prevent impairment of the reclamation revolving fund.

Purchase delinquent tax certificates. vent impairment of the reclamation revolving fund. To purchase delinquent general tax or delinquent special assessment certificates chargeable against lands included within any reclamation district obligated to the state under the provisions of the State Reclamation Act, and to purchase lands included in such districts and placed on sale on account of delinquent taxes or delinquent assessments with the same rights, privileges and powers with respect thereto as a private holder and owner of said certificates, or as a private purchaser of said lands: Provided, That the director shall be entitled to a delinquent tax certificate upon application to the proper county treasurer therefor without the necessity of a resolution of the board of county commissioners authorizing the issuance of certificates of delinquency required by law in the case of the sale of such certificates to private purchasers.

To sell said delinquent certificates or the lands acquired at sale on account of delinquent taxes or delinquent assessments at public or private sale, and on such conditions as the director shall determine;

Require safeguards.

To, whenever the director shall deem it advisable, require any district with which he may contract, to provide such safeguards as he may deem necessary to assure bona fide settlement and development of the lands within such district, by securing from the owners of lands therein agreements to limit the amount of their holdings to such acreage as they can properly farm and to sell their excess land holdings at reasonable prices;

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To clear and reclaim logged-off lands in the man- Logged-off ner hereinafter in this act provided;

To employ all necessary experts, assistants and Employ experts, employees, and fix their compensation, and to enter into any and all contracts and agreements necessary to carry out the purposes of this act:

To have the assistance, cooperation and services Assistance from other of, and the use of the records and files in, all the departments and institutions of the state, particularly the office of the commissioner of public lands, the state department of agriculture, the bureau of farm development, the bureau of statistics, agriculture and immigration, the State College of Washington. and the University of Washington; and all state officers and the governing authorities of all state institutions are hereby authorized and directed to cooperate with the director in furthering the purpose of this act:

To cooperate with the United States in any plan Cooperation with United of land reclamation or land settlement or agricultural development which the Congress of the United States may provide and which may effect the development of agricultural resources within the State of Washington, or the settlement of soldiers, sailors, and other worthy persons, on the agricultural lands within this state, and the director shall have full power to carry out the provisions of any cooperative land settlement act that may be enacted by the United States.

The director shall prepare and report to the legislature, at the commencement of each biennial session, a full statement of his operations and recommendations.

SEC. 2. That section 3 of chapter 105, Laws of 1929 of the State of Washington, same being section 11575-3 of Remington's Compiled Statutes, be amended to read as follows:

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States.

Director's report to legislature. Section 3. That all fees paid under provisions of this act shall be credited by the state treasurer to the state reclamation revolving fund.

SEC. 3. All monies received from the United States, pursuant to the provisions of sections 791 to 823, inclusive, of the United States Code, Vol. 41, Stat. at Large, chapter 1063, commonly known as the Federal Water Power Act, shall be credited by the state treasurer to the state reclamation revolving fund.

SEC. 4. An application filed by the Columbia Basin Commission or its assignee, the United States Bureau of Reclamation, for a permit to appropriate waters of the Columbia River under chapter 117, Laws of 1917, as amended, by section 2 of chapter 161 of the Extra Session Laws of 1925 and by section 8 of chapter 122 of the Laws of 1929, for the development of the Grand Coulee project shall be perfected in the same manner and to the same extent as though such appropriation had been made by a private person, corporation or association, but no fees, as provided for in section 44, chapter 117, Laws of 1917 (section 7399, Remington's Compiled Statutes), shall be required.

SEC. 5. There is hereby appropriated from the state reclamation revolving fund, not otherwise heretofore appropriated, the sum of one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars for the purposes set forth in chapter 16 of the Session Laws of 1933, regular session.

SEC. 6. The adjudication of invalidity of any section, clause, or part of a section of this act, shall not impair or otherwise affect the validity of the act as a whole or any part thereof.

SEC. 7. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety,

Exemption from payment of fees.

Vetoed. -

Amends § 44, ch. 117, Laws 1917.

Appropriation \$1,250,-000.

Invalidity of part not to affect balance.

Effective immediately.

the support of the state government and its existing institutions and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate December 20, 1933.

Passed the House December 27, 1933.

Approved by the Governor January 4, 1934, except as to sections 2 and 3, which are vetoed.

I hereby certify that the Senate sustained the Governor's veto as to sections 2 and 3 of Senate Bill No. 72.

GEO. E. STARR, Secretary of the Senate.

CHAPTER 14.

[H. B. 104.]

SALARY FUND IN CLASS "A" COUNTIES.

AN ACT relating to the creation of a fund in Class A counties for the payment of the salaries and wages of county officers and employees, and providing for the payment and transfer of money to and from said fund, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created in Class A Fund created. counties in this state a fund to be known as the salary fund, to which shall be credited all fees, fines and other receipts heretofore and hereafter directed to be credited to the county current expense fund. save and except real and personal taxes levied for such current expense fund, and the proceeds from the sale of county bonds.

SEC. 2. The salaries and wages of all county of- salaries paid ficers and employees for which provision has been made in the annual county budget for the current expense fund shall be paid by warrants drawn on said salary fund.

SEC. 3. In the event the amount in the salary Transfer of moneys. fund shall not be sufficient to pay in full the warrants drawn thereon, the county treasurer shall transfer to said fund from the current expense fund of said county such sum as may be necessary to pay

from fund.