judged or decreed to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment or decree shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this act but shall be confined in its operation to the clause. sentence, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment or decree shall have been rendered.

SEC. 13. This act is necessary for the immediate Effective preservation of the public peace, health and safety; and an emergency hereby is declared to exist, and this act shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Passed the Senate March 5, 1937.

Passed the House March 9, 1937.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1937.

CHAPTER 138.

[S. B. 372.]

AUDIT OF BOOKS OF WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD BY STATE AUDITOR.

An Act requiring the state liquor board to pay for the annual audit of its books and amending section 71, chapter 62, Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1933 as amended by section 12, chapter 174, Laws of 1935 (section 7306-71, Remington's Revised Statutes); and making an appropriation.

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

Section 1. Section 71, chapter 62, Laws of the Amends Extraordinary Session of 1933 as amended by section Rem. Rev. 12, chapter 174, Laws of 1935 (section 7306-71, Rem- \$\frac{\text{Stat. (\frac{3}{2} 3180-}}{\text{Stat. (\frac{3}{2} 3180-}}\] igton's Revised Statutes), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 71. The state auditor shall audit the state books, records and affairs of the board annually: Provided, That the total annual cost of such audit

auditor to audit books Audit not to exceed \$10,000. shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). The board shall pay to the state treasurer for the credit of the state auditor, out of the liquor revolving fund, the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) per annum to defray the costs of said audits. The board is authorized to provide for additional audits by certified public accountants, the total annual cost of which shall not exceed the sum of \$5,000.00. All such audits shall be construed to be public records of the State of Washintgon.

Additional audits not to exceed \$5,000.

Appropriation. SEC. 2. There is hereby appropriated out of any funds paid into the state treasury by the liquor board under the provisions of the foregoing section, the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be used by the state auditor in making the annual audit of the accounts of the board as above provided.

Passed the Senate March 4, 1937.

Passed the House March 9, 1937.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1937.

CHAPTER 139.

[S. B. 398.]

MINIMUM COMPENSATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES.

An Act relating to the state government prescribing the minimum compensation of state employees and declaring that the act shall take effect April 1, 1937.

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

Full-time employees. Section 1. Each full-time employee of the State of Washington or of any office, department or institution thereof who has been actually employed by the state or any office, department or institution thereof on a full-time basis for not less than six months shall receive for his or her services such