

CHAPTER 133.

[S. B. 400.]

POWERS OF DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to the powers of drainage districts; and amending section 1, chapter 170, Laws of 1935 (section 4342-1, Remington's Revised Statutes), providing for additional powers of drainage districts, providing that this act shall take effect immediately.

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

Amend-
ments.

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 170, Laws of 1935 (section 4342-1, Remington's Revised Statutes) is amended to read as follows:

Powers of
Commis-
sioners.

Section 1. Whenever in the judgment of the Commissioners of any drainage district general benefits to the entire district will accrue therefrom, or the general plan for improvement as adopted by such district will be more fully or properly carried out thereby, the Board of Commissioners of such district is hereby given and granted authority and power to do the following things:

Construct
and maintain
ditches and
equipment.

(a) Straigten, widen, deepen, improve, or alter the course of or discontinue the use and maintenance of, or abandon any existing drains or ditches in said district, and when abandoned or discontinued, the right-of-way may be held or disposed of by said district in the discretion of the commissioners;

(b) Dig or construct any additional and auxiliary drains or ditches therein;

(c) Obtain, improve, or alter any existing reservoirs, spillways or outlets;

(d) Lease, acquire, build, or construct additional, new, or better reservoirs, spillways, and outlets;

(e) Lease, acquire, erect, build, or construct and operate any pumping plant and acquire equipment necessary therefor;

(f) Divert, dam, or carry off the waters of any stream or water endangering or damaging said district and protect against damage or flood from any waters whatsoever.

Provided, That in carrying out such powers, said Commissioners shall not be authorized under this act to tap new sources of water which have other outlets and do not endanger the system or property of such district. Restrictions.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the state government and of the existing institutions of the state and shall take effect immediately. Effective immediately.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1941.

Passed the House March 12, 1941.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1941.

CHAPTER 134.

[S. B. 400.]

HIGHWAY ADVISORY COMMISSION.

AN ACT relating to state government; creating the Highway Advisory Commission and defining the powers and duties thereof.

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

SECTION 1. The performance of the functions of the Department of Highways requires not only continuous supervision of the details of administration, but also the determination, from time to time, of broad general policies. For the purpose of providing the Governor a means of obtaining the views and advice of representative citizens from various parts of the state on such broad general policies, there is hereby created a Highway Advisory Commission, hereinafter called the Commission, consisting of five members to be appointed by the Governor. Duties of Department of Highways.
Advisory Commission created.
Appointment by Governor.