

partment office. All funds herein appropriated must be expended for rehabilitation work only.

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Passed the House March 8, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 18, 1943.

CHAPTER 120.

[S. B. 135.]

SCHOOLS FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN.

AN ACT establishing a division for handicapped children; providing special aid for the same; and making an appropriation therefor.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction a division of special educational aid for handicapped children, to be known as the Division for Handicapped Children.

Division for handicapped children created.

SEC. 2. The following words and phrases, wherever used in this act, shall have the meaning as in this section ascribed to them, unless where used the context thereof shall clearly indicate to the contrary:

Definitions:

(a) "Handicapped children" shall be classified as those children of school age, in school and out of school, who are temporarily or permanently retarded in normal educational processes by reason of defective hearing, defective sight, defective speech, or by reason of other physical handicap.

Handicapped children;

(b) The "Superintendent of Public Instruction" shall mean the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, whenever used in this act.

Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(c) The term "Supervisor" shall mean the Supervisor appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Supervisor.

Superintendent to appoint supervisor.

SEC. 3. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall appoint a Supervisor and fix his salary. The Supervisor shall coordinate and supervise the program of special aid for handicapped children in the school districts of the State. He shall cooperate with County Superintendents of Schools and with school district officers and teachers in the conduct of the program and shall cooperate with the State Director of Health and with county health officers on cases where medical examination or attention is needed.

Duties of supervisor.

Districts to cooperate.

SEC. 4. School district officers and teachers shall cooperate with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and with the Supervisor, and shall give such aid and special attention to handicapped children as their facilities will permit. School districts may severally or jointly purchase and own special aid equipment and materials, with the approval of the Supervisor, and may pay for the same out of their general fund budgets. School districts may severally or jointly employ special teachers for such special aid, with the approval of the Supervisor, and may pay their salaries and compensation out of their general fund budgets. Such expenditures may be partially or wholly reimbursed from funds appropriated under section 6 of this act under rules and regulations established by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Districts may acquire special equipment.

Employ special teachers.

May be reimbursed.

Home aid.

SEC. 5. Any child who is not able to attend school and who is eligible for special aid under this program may be given such aid at his home or other place determined by the Supervisor, and the school district within which such child resides shall be granted regular apportionments of state and county school funds for such days as such aid is given.

Attendance apportionment.

Appropriation.

SEC. 6. To carry out the purpose of this act, there is hereby appropriated from the State Current School Fund to the Superintendent of Public In-

struction the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, for special aid and educational facilities for handi-capped children.

Passed the Senate February 10, 1943.

Passed the House March 9, 1943.

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CHAPTER 121.

[S. B. 157.]

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to fire protection districts; and amending section 1, chapter 34, Laws of 1939, as amended by section 1, chapter 70, Laws of 1941 (section 5654-101, Rem. Supp. 1941).

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 34, Laws of 1939 as amended by section 1, chapter 70, Laws of 1941 (section 5654-101, Rem. Supp. 1941), is amended to read as follows: Amendments.

Section 1. Fire-protection districts for the elimination of fire hazards and for the protection of life and property from fire in territories outside of incorporated cities and towns are hereby authorized to be established as in this act provided. Fire protection districts authorized.

Passed the Senate February 18, 1943.

Passed the House March 9, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 18, 1943.