Promotional examinations. Forces of the United States, the Army Transport Service, and the Merchant Marine and, upon termination of the service, has received an honorable discharge, or a physical discharge with an honorable record, or has been relieved of active services under honorable circumstances. The provisions of this act shall not be applicable to promotional examinations to determine the qualifications of officers or employees for promotion from a lower grade position to a higher grade position: *Provided*, That when such a veteran was employed in public service at the time of his entry into military service and returns to the same employment, he shall be entitled to the preference herein provided for on his first promotional examination.

Passed the Senate February 14, 1947.

Passed the House March 6, 1947.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1947.

CHAPTER 120. (S. B. 110.)

DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES—ACQUISITION OF LAND.

- AN ACT authorizing the Department of Fisheries to acquire land by gift, easement, purchase, lease or condemnation for the use of the department.
- Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. The Director of Fisheries is authorized to acquire by gift or easement, or whenever funds are appropriated for such purpose, by purchase, lease, or condemnation, such lands, water supplies, and rights-of-way therefor as may be deemed necessary for the use of the Department of Fisheries for hatchery sites, eyeing stations, rearing ponds, brood ponds, trap sites, dock and harbor facilities, buildings, fish and shellfish sanctuaries and rights-of-way to the nearest public highway

Director authorized to acquire property.

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Any condemnation action shall be Eminent therefrom. domain. brought in the name of the State of Washington in the manner provided for the acquiring of property for the public uses of the state.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1947. Passed the House March 6, 1947. Approved by the Governor March 17, 1947.

CHAPTER 121. [S. B. 129.]

RELATING TO FOOD FISH AND SHELLFISH RESOURCES.

- AN ACT relating to the food fish and shellfish resources of this state; authorizing the Director of Fisheries to accept real property or money for specific purposes in connection with or in settlement of claims for damage to such resources; and declaring this act shall take effect April 1, 1947.
- Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. The Director of Fisheries is author- Authority ized to accept money or real property from the United States, counties, municipalities or other governmental units, or from any person, firm or corproperty or money for specific purposes in further-used under conditions poration, under conditions requiring the use of such or conservation of the state food fish and shellfish resources or with the advice of the Attorney General, in settlement of any claim for damages to such food fish and/or shellfish resources. Any real property so accepted must be useful for the protection, rehabilitation, preservation or conservation of such fisheries resources.

SEC. 2. The Director of Fisheries is hereby designated the agent of the state to accept and receive all such funds and deposit them with the State Treasurer who shall credit them to the Contingent of funds. Receipts Fund created by chapter 243, Laws of 1945.

gifts, money or property.

specified.

Settlement of claims.

Use of real property.

Director as agent of state.