

CHAPTER 220.

[S. B. 345.]

WASHINGTON TOLL BRIDGE AUTHORITY—TOLL ROADS.

AN Act defining toll roads; changing membership of Washington toll bridge authority; setting forth rights, powers, duties and limitations thereof in regard to toll facilities; relating to revenue bonds, authority revolving fund, and retention of tolls; prohibiting concessions on toll roads; amending sections 47.56.010, 47.56.020, 47.56.070, 47.60.070 and 47.60.180, RCW; adding new sections to chapter 47.56, RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

Amendment. SECTION 1. Section 47.56.010, RCW, derived from section 1, paragraph (c), chapter 173, Laws of 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Toll bridge” defined. “Toll bridge” means a bridge constructed or acquired under this chapter, upon which tolls are charged, together with all appurtenances, additions, alterations, improvements, and replacements thereof, and the approaches thereto, and all lands and interests therein used therefor, and buildings and improvements thereon;

“Toll road” defined. “Toll road” means any express highway, super-highway or motorway at such locations and between such termini as may hereafter be established by law, and constructed or to be constructed as a limited access highway under the provisions of this act by the authority, and shall include, but not be limited to all bridges, tunnels, overpasses, underpasses, interchanges, entrance plazas, approaches, toll houses, service areas, service facilities, communications facilities, and administration, storage and other buildings which the authority may deem necessary for the operation of such project, together with all property, rights, easements and interests which may be acquired by the authority for the construction or the operation of such project, all of which shall be conducted in the same manner and under the same

procedure as provided for the establishing, constructing, operating, and maintaining of toll bridges by the authority, insofar as reasonably consistent and applicable.

SEC. 2. Section 47.56.020, RCW, derived from section 2, chapter 173, Laws of 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows: Amendment.

There is hereby created the Washington toll bridge authority composed of the governor, state auditor, chairman of the public service commission, chairman of the Washington state highway commission, and the director of public institutions. The director of highways shall be an ex officio member of said authority but without a vote. Members shall serve without compensation other than that received in the office by virtue of which they are members. Any expenses incurred for clerical or other assistance and necessary supplies shall be paid for in the manner and from funds as provided herein. A majority of the members of the authority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Washington toll bridge authority; creation and composition.
Compensation of members.
Expenses of authority.
Quorum.

SEC. 3. Section 47.56.070, RCW, derived from section 3½, chapter 173, Laws of 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows: Amendment.

The authority may provide for the establishment, construction, and operation of toll tunnels, toll roads and other facilities necessary for their construction and connection with public highways of the state. It may cause surveys to be made to determine the propriety of their establishment, construction, and operation, and may acquire rights-of-way and other facilities necessary to carry out the provisions hereof, and may issue, sell, and redeem bonds, and deposit and expend them; secure and remit financial and other assistance in the construction thereof; carry insurance thereon; and handle any other matters pertaining thereto, all of which shall be conducted in the same manner and under Toll bridges, tunnels and ferries; powers and duties of authority.

the same procedure as provided for the establishing, constructing, operating, and maintaining of toll bridges by the authority, insofar as reasonably consistent and applicable. No toll facility, toll bridge, toll road or toll tunnel, shall be combined with any other toll facility for the purpose of financing unless such facilities form a continuous project, to the end that each such facility or project be self-liquidating and self-sustaining: *Provided, however,* That no toll road shall be constructed, obligations for the construction thereof entered into, or right-of-way acquired without prior approval of the location, plans and specifications by the Washington state highway commission.

Amendment.

SEC. 4. Section 47.60.070, RCW, derived from section 5, chapter 179, Laws of 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Puget Sound ferry and toll bridge system: bond resolution to provide for setting aside funds.

Each such resolution providing for the issuance of revenue bonds shall provide for setting aside the necessary amounts for the reasonable and proper operation, maintenance, and repair expenses, and shall fix and determine the amounts to be set apart and applied to the payment of the interest on and retirement of the revenue bonds, and the amounts to be set apart and paid into any special funds for renewals, replacements, rebuilding, enlarging, or improving the system. Each such resolution made hereafter shall provide for one per cent of the proceeds of the sale of revenue bonds to be placed in the "authority revolving fund," as established by section 47.60.180, RCW.

Amendment.

SEC. 5. Section 47.60.180, RCW, derived from section 14, chapter 259, Laws of 1951, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Authority revolving fund.

There is hereby established a permanent fund in the state treasury to be known as the "authority revolving fund," which fund shall be available to the Washington toll bridge authority in lieu of any

allocation from any other appropriation from the motor vehicle fund [. Said] said authority shall use said fund firstly to pay its investigation, management, maintenance and operation costs, unless otherwise provided for; secondly to reimburse for past and future advances from the motor vehicle fund, at such times and in such amounts as the authority shall in its discretion deem feasible. The projects to be investigated must propose facilities to be financed by revenue bonds of the authority to be repaid by tolls or charges.

SEC. 6. There shall be added a new section to chapter 47.56, RCW, as follows: New section.

The authority shall retain toll charges on all existing and future facilities until all costs of investigation, financing, acquisition of property, construction, maintenance, management, operation, repayment of past advances from the motor vehicle fund, and obligations incurred under section 47.56-.250, RCW, and chapter 16, Laws of 1945, have been fully paid. With respect to every future facility, costs of maintenance, management and operation shall be paid periodically out of the revenues of the facility in which such costs were incurred. With respect to each existing facility, costs of maintenance, management and operation together with an amortized payment upon advances from the motor vehicle fund in an amount reasonably anticipated to retire such advances during the toll life of the facility shall be similarly paid to the extent that such payments shall not breach the obligation of any contract. Duration of toll charges on toll facilities.

SEC. 7. The authority shall approve for construction only such toll roads as the legislature shall specifically authorize or such toll facilities as shall be specifically sponsored by a city, town or county. Approval for construction of toll roads.
Sponsorship of toll facilities.

Concessions on toll road rights-of-way.

SEC. 8. The authority shall not grant concessions for the operation or establishment of any privately owned business upon toll road rights-of-way.

Emergency.

SEC. 9. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1953.

Passed the House March 9, 1953.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1953.

CHAPTER 221.

[S. B. 371.]

MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS' LICENSES.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle license and license examination fees; and amending sections 46.20.090, 46.20.120 and 46.20.180, RCW.

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

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section 46.20.090, RCW, as derived from section 16, chapter 164, Laws of 1947, is amended to read as follows:

Application; form.

Every application for a vehicle operator's license shall be made upon the form prescribed and furnished by the director and shall be verified by the applicant before a person authorized to administer oaths or before an officer of the Washington state patrol or other person authorized by the director to certify to the signature on such application, and shall be forwarded to the director. A fee of three dollars shall be paid by each applicant. Whenever applications are received by the Washington state patrol, a county auditor or other agent of the director, the application together with the fee shall be forwarded to the director, who shall transmit the

Verification.

Fee.

Transmittal to director.