CHAPTER 55.

[S. B. 200.]

HIGHWAYS-EMINENT DOMAIN-ACQUISITION AND EXCHANGE OF LANDS.

An Act authorizing the state highway commission to acquire by condemnation or otherwise real property to exchange with a governmental agency or a utility for highway right-ofwav.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever the state highway depart- Land of U.S. ment shall need for highway purposes land or propstafe political subdivisions erty rights belonging to the United States govern- or public utility ment or any municipality or political subdivision of right-of-way. the state, or which shall be a part of the right-of-way of any public utility having authority to exercise powers of eminent domain, when the acquisition of such property by the state will result in the displacement of any existing right-of-way or facility, the state highway commission is authorized to acquire by condemnation or otherwise such lands and property rights as shall be needed to relocate such rightof-way or facility so displaced and to exchange lands or property rights so acquired in consideration or partial consideration for the land or property rights needed for highway purposes. The governor, at the Governor request of the state highway commission, shall execute all conveyances necessary to accomplish such exchange.

Passed the Senate February 14, 1953.

Passed the House February 25, 1953.

Approved by the Governor March 3, 1953.