

ton state patrol retirement fund, and said contributions shall be dealt with in the same manner as other state patrol retirement funds and subject to the terms of the contribution.

Average final salary of members now retired recomputed.

SEC. 5. The average final salary of members now retired shall be recomputed in accordance with subsection (14) of section 1 and from the effective date of this act the retirement allowance of such members shall be paid under section 2 of this act upon the basis of the average final salary as recomputed.

Passed the Senate February 26, 1955.

Passed the House March 8, 1955.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1955.

CHAPTER 245.

[S. B. 188.]

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS—TRANSFER OF PRISONERS.

AN ACT relating to public institutions; providing for the transfer of prisoners; amending section 5, chapter 114, Laws of 1935 and RCW 9.95.180; and adding a new section to chapter 9.95, RCW.

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

New section.

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 9.95, RCW, a new section to read as follows:

Superintendent of public institutions transports prisoners under guard.

(1) The superintendent of public institutions shall transport prisoners under guard

(a) to and between the state penitentiary, the state reformatory and all other institutions under his supervision;

(b) from a county, city, or municipal jail to an institution mentioned in paragraph (a) of this subsection and to a county, city or municipal jail from an institution mentioned in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

May employ necessary persons.

(2) The superintendent of public institutions may employ necessary persons for such purpose.

(3) All equipment acquired and used by, and all funds appropriated to, the board of prison terms and paroles for such purpose shall be transferred to the superintendent of public institutions upon the taking effect of this section.

Equipment and funds transferred.

SEC. 2. Section 5, chapter 114, Laws of 1935 and RCW 9.95.180 are each amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

Whenever in its judgment the best interests of the state or the welfare of any prisoner confined in any penal institution will be better served by his transfer to another institution the superintendent of public institutions may effect such transfer.

Superintendent of public institutions may effect transfer.

Passed the Senate February 17, 1955.

Passed the House March 8, 1955.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1955.

CHAPTER 246.

[S. B. 191.]

CRIMES—COMMITMENT TO STATE REFORMATORY.

AN ACT relating to punishment for crimes and amending section 25, chapter 249, Laws of 1909 and RCW 9.92.050.

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

SECTION 1. Section 25, chapter 249, Laws of 1909 and RCW 9.92.050 are each amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

Whenever any male person, between the ages of sixteen and thirty years, is convicted of any felony the court may, in its discretion, order such person to be committed to and confined in the Washington state reformatory.

Discretion of court to order confinement in Washington state reformatory.

Passed the Senate February 3, 1955.

Passed the House March 8, 1955.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1955.