

New section.

SEC. 2. There is added to chapter 79, Laws of 1947 and to chapter 48.28 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Bond pre-
miums as costs.

(RCW 48.28.030) In any proceeding the party entitled to recover costs may include therein such reasonable sum as was paid to such surety insurer as premium for any bond or undertaking required therein, and as may be allowed by the court having having jurisdiction of such proceeding.

New section.

SEC. 3. There is added to chapter 79, Laws of 1947 and to chapter 48.28 RCW a new section as follows:

Official bond
premiums;
payment.

(RCW 48.28.040) The premium for bonds given by such surety insurers for appointive or elective public officers and for such of their deputies or employees as are required to give bond shall be paid by the state, political subdivision, or public body so served.

Passed the Senate February 2, 1955.

Passed the House February 16, 1955.

Approved by the Governor February 23, 1955.

CHAPTER 31.

[S. B. 212.]

INSURANCE—CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORITY.

AN ACT relating to insurance; providing for expiration of certificates of authority of insurers; amending section .05.12, chapter 79, Laws of 1947 and RCW 48.05.120; and declaring an emergency.

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

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section .05.12, chapter 79, Laws of 1947 and RCW 48.05.120 are each amended to read as follows:

Certificates of
authority; ex-
piration dates.

(1) All certificates of authority issued or renewed within the period of April 1, 1954, to June 30, 1955, both dates inclusive, shall expire on July 1, 1955,

notwithstanding the date of expiration shown by such certificates. All certificates of authority issued or renewed on and subsequent to July 1, 1955, shall expire on July 1st next succeeding date of issue or renewal. If the insurer qualifies therefor its certificate shall be renewed annually for a period of not more than one year. Renewal.

(2) The commissioner may amend a certificate of authority at any time in accordance with changes in the insurer's charter or insuring powers. Amendment of certificate.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act are necessary for the immediate support of the state government and its existing public institutions and shall take effect immediately. Emergency.

Passed the Senate February 4, 1955.

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