

CHAPTER 238.

[ H. B. 253. ]

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS—COMMISSIONERS.

AN ACT relating to fire protection districts; and amending section 22, chapter 34, Laws of 1939 as amended by section 3, chapter 162, Laws of 1945, and RCW 52.12.010.

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

RCW 52.12.010 amended.

SECTION 1. Section 22, chapter 34, Laws of 1939 as amended by section 3, chapter 162, Laws of 1945, and RCW 52.12.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Fire protection districts. Commissioners. Number—Qualifications—Compensation—Duties.

The affairs of the district shall be managed by a board of fire commissioners composed of three resident electors of the district. The members shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall receive necessary expenses in attending meetings of the board or when otherwise engaged on district business: *Provided*, That in any district which has a fire department employing personnel on a full time, fully paid basis, fire commissioners, in addition to expenses as aforesaid, may each receive not to exceed ten dollars per day or thirty dollars per month for attendance at board meetings and for performance of other services in behalf of the district, to be fixed by resolution and entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the board.

Proviso.

The board shall fix the compensation to be paid the secretary and all other agents and employees of the district. The first commissioners shall serve until after the next general election for the selection of commissioners and until their successors have been elected or appointed and have qualified. When a district includes one or more cities of the fourth class the board shall have authority over all matters relating to fire prevention and fire protection and elimination of fire hazards and such authority shall

supersede all authority of the councils of such cities as to such matters.

Passed the House February 15, 1957.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1957.

Approved by the Governor March 23, 1957.

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## CHAPTER 239.

[ H. B. 295. ]

### CITIES AND TOWNS—ANNEXATION.

AN ACT relating to the annexation of unincorporated areas to cities and towns; amending section 5, chapter 245, Laws of 1907 and RCW 35.13.100 and 35.13.110; and amending sections 4 and 5, chapter 128, Laws of 1945 and RCW 35.13.150 and 35.13.160; and adding a new section to chapter 13, Laws of 1915 and to chapter 35.13 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. Section 5, chapter 245, Laws of 1907 (heretofore divided and codified as RCW 35.13.100 and 35.13.110) is divided and amended as set forth in sections 2 and 3 of this act.

Division and amendment.

SEC. 2. (RCW 35.13.100) Upon filing of the certified copy of the finding of the board of county commissioners, the clerk shall transmit it to the city or town council at the next regular meeting or as soon thereafter as practicable. If the council deems it wise or expedient to annex the proposed area, it shall adopt an ordinance providing for the annexation.

RCW 35.13.100 enacted without amendment.

SEC. 3. (RCW 35.13.110) Upon the date fixed in the ordinance of annexation, the area annexed shall become a part of the city or town. All property within the territory hereafter annexed shall, if the proposition approved by the people so provides after the effective date of this act, be assessed and taxed at the same rate and on the same basis as the property of such annexing city is assessed and taxed to

RCW 35.13.110 amended.

Unincorporated areas—Annexation. Election method. Effective date of annexation.