CHAPTER 290. [S. B. 385.]

STATE LANDS-EXCHANGE-FACILITATING MARKETING OF FOREST PRODUCTS.

AN AcT authorizing the exchange of state lands for other lands of equal value for the purpose of facilitating the marketing of forest products of state lands, or consolidating and blocking up of state lands.

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

SECTION 1. For the purpose of facilitating the Exchange of lands to facil-rketing of forest products of state lands, or con- itate market-ing of marketing of forest products of state lands, or consolidating and blocking up of state lands, the commissioner of public lands may, with the advice and lands. approval of such state board, commission, committee, or agency exercising control over the disposal of the land involved, exchange any state lands with any timber thereon for any other land of equal value, including other state lands, lands of the United States and privately owned lands: Provided, That Proviso. nothing in this act shall be interpreted as changing existing laws with respect to exchanges of lands under the provisions of RCW 76.12.050, 76.12.060, 79.08.070, 79.08.090 and 79.08.108.

SEC. 2. Lands acquired by the state of Washing- $\frac{\text{Lands acquired}}{-\text{How held}}$ ton as the result of any exchange authorized by this and administered. act, shall be held and administered for the benefit of the same fund and subject to the same laws as were the lands exchanged therefor.

SEC. 3. The commissioner of public lands shall, Agreements, deeds. etc. with the advice and approval of the attorney general, execute such agreements, writings, or relinquishments and certify to the governor such deeds as are necessary or proper to execute such exchange authorized by this act.

Passed the Senate March 3, 1957. Passed the House March 12, 1957. Approved by the Governor March 26, 1957 forest products or to con-

CHAPTER 291. [S. B. 396.]

TAX ADVISORY COUNCIL.

An Act creating a tax advisory council to study taxes and make recommendations; and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a tax advisory council to consist of fifteen members to be appointed by the governor. Members shall be chosen who represent the major segments of the state's economy, and at least one member shall be chosen from each congressional district of the state. Members shall serve without pay at the pleasure of the governor but shall be paid necessary traveling expenses incurred in their travel to and from meetings of the council and shall receive fifteen dollars per day as subsistence while attending all meetings of the council.

SEC. 2. The council shall survey and analyze all aspects of existing tax statutes and evaluate the administration, yield and effect thereof and shall make such recommendations to the governor relating to changes in administrative practices and existing laws concerning such taxes as the council shall agree upon. If the recommendations adopted by the council do not receive the unanimous approval of its members, the dissenting members shall have the privilege of submitting minority recommendations.

Examination of public records authorized.

Powers and du-

ties—Minority recommenda-

tions.

SEC. 3. Any member of the council or its staff designated by the chairman shall have the authority to examine, for official purposes, any records maintained by or in the possession of any official or agency which relate to matters of taxation.

SEC. 4. The governor shall designate one member to be chairman of the council. The council at its first meeting shall elect a vice chairman. Meetings

Tax advisory council, membership—Appointment— Expenses, subsistence.

Officers--Meetings.