such contract as the fair pro rata share due from such owners upon and for such contracted water or sewer facilities.

Passed the House March 5, 1959.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1959.

Approved by the Governor March 23, 1959.

CHAPTER 262. [H.B.414.]

NONHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS—FINANCING FACILITIES.

AN ACT relating to school districts; providing for participation by nonhigh school districts in financing school facilities or for annexation of such nonhigh school districts; amending sections 1 through 7, chapter 229, Laws of 1953 as amended by sections 1 through 7, chapter 344, Laws of 1955, and RCW 28.56.010 through 28.56.070; repealing sections 8 through 16, chapter 344, Laws of 1955 and RCW 28.56.080 through 28.56.160; and adding three new sections to chapter 28.56 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 229, Laws of 1953 RCW 28.56.010 as amended by section 1, chapter 344, Laws of 1955, and RCW 28.56.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Upon receipt of a written request from the board Plan for nonof directors of a high school district or a union high school district or a nonhigh school district that presents to the county committee on school district organization satisfactory evidence of a need for high school facilities located therein and of intent and ability to provide such facilities within a period of two years, the county committee shall prepare a plan for participation by the nonhigh school districts in providing capital funds to pay the cost of school facilities and equipment to be provided for the education of students residing in the school districts.

amended.

high district to provide capital funds in aid of high school facilities.

New section.

"High school facilities"

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Prior to submission of the aforesaid request the board of directors of the school district concerned therewith shall determine the nature and extent of the high school facilities proposed to be provided, the approximate amount of local capital funds required to pay the cost thereof, and the site or sites upon which the proposed facilities are to be located, and shall submit a report thereon to the county committee along with the aforesaid request.

SEC. 2. There is added to chapter 28.56 RCW a new section to read as follows:

High school facilities shall mean buildings for occupancy by grades nine through twelve and equipment and furniture for such buildings and shall include acquisition of new sites and of additions to existing sites, and improvement of sites but only when included as a part of a general plan for the construction, equipping and furnishing of a building or of an addition to a building. The term shall also (a) include that portion of any building, equipment, furniture, site and improvement of site allocated to grade nine when included in a plan for facilities to be occupied by grades seven through nine and (b) include such facilities for grades seven and eight when included in a plan as aforesaid, if the county committee finds that students of these grades who reside in any nonhigh school districts involved are now attending school in the high school district involved under an arrangement which likely will be continued.

RCW 28.56.020 amended. SEC. 3. Section 2, chapter 229, Laws of 1953 as amended by section 2, chapter 344, Laws of 1955, and RCW 28.56.020 are each amended to read as follows:

The said county committee shall give consideration to:

(1) The report submitted by the board of directors as stated above;

(2) The exclusion from the plan of nonhigh Factors considered school districts because of remoteness or isolation or of plan.

because they are so situated with respect to location, present and/or clearly foreseeable future population, and other pertinent factors as to warrant the establishment of a high school therein within a period of two years or the inclusion of their territory in some other nonhigh school district within which the establishment of a high school within a period of two years is warranted;

(3) The assessed valuation of the school districts involved in each case and the ability of each district to issue bonds within the limit of indebtedness prescribed by law;

(4) The cash balance, if any, in the building fund of the district submitting the request which is designated for high school building construction purposes, together with the sources of such balance;

(5) Any other factors found by the committee to have a bearing on the preparation of an equitable plan.

SEC. 4. Section 3, chapter 229, Laws of 1953 as RCW 28.56.030 amended by section 3, chapter 344, Laws of 1955, and amended. RCW 28.56.030 are each amended to read as follows:

The said county committee shall also hold a pub- Public hearing lic hearing or hearings on any proposed plan: Provided. That three members of the committee or two members of the committee and the county superindent may be designated by the committee to hold such public hearing or hearings and to submit a report thereof to the county committee. The county committee shall cause to be posted, at least ten days prior to the date appointed for any such hearing, a written or printed notice thereof in at least three prominent and public places in the territory of the school districts involved or affected, on the schoolhouse door of each such district, and at the place or places of holding the hearing.

-Notice.

RCW 28.56.040 amended.

Review by state board —Approval —Revised plan. SEC. 5. Section 4, chapter 229, Laws of 1953 as amended by section 4, chapter 344, Laws of 1955, and RCW 28.56.040 are each amended to read as follows:

Subsequent to the holding of a hearing or hearings as aforesaid, the county committee shall determine the nonhigh school districts to be included in the plan and the amount of capital funds to be provided by every district included therein, and shall submit the proposed plan to the state board of education together with such maps and other materials pertaining thereto as the state board may require. The state board shall review such plan, shall approve any plan which in its judgment makes adequate and satisfactory provision for participation by the nonhigh school districts in providing capital funds to be used for the purpose above stated, and shall notify the county committee of such action. Upon receipt by the county committee of such notification, the county superintendent shall notify the board of directors of each school district included in the plan, supplying each board with complete details of the plan and shall state the total amount of funds to be provided and the amount to be provided by each district.

If any such plan submitted by a county committee is not approved by the state board, the county committee shall be so notified, which notification shall contain a statement of reasons therefor and suggestions for revision. Within sixty days thereafter the county committee shall submit to the state board a revised plan which revision shall be subject to the procedural requirements and provisions of law applicable to an original plan submitted to said board.

RCW 28.56.050 amended. SEC. 6. Section 5, chapter 229, Laws of 1953 as amended by section 5, chapter 344, Laws of 1955, and RCW 28.56.050 are each amended to read as follows:

Within sixty days after receipt of the notice of Bond, excess levy, elections approval from the county superintendent, the board $\frac{-Use}{ceeds}$ of directors of each school district included in the plan shall submit to the voters thereof a proposal or proposals for providing, through the issuance of bonds and/or the authorization of an excess tax levy, the amount of capital funds that the district is required to provide under the plan. The proceeds of any such bond issue and/or excess tax levy shall be credited to the building fund of the school district in which the proposed high school facilities are to be located and shall be expended to pay the cost of high school facilities for the education of such students residing in the school districts as are included in the plan and not otherwise.

SEC. 7. Section 6, chapter 229, Laws of 1953 as RCW 28.56.060 amended by section 6, chapter 344, Laws of 1955, and RCW 28.56.060 are each amended to read as follows:

In the event that a proposal or proposals for pro- Rejection by viding capital funds as aforesaid is not approved by the voters of a nonhigh school district a second ation proposal. election thereon shall be held within sixty days thereafter. If the vote of the electors of the nonhigh school district is again in the negative, the high school students residing therein shall not be entitled to admission to the high school or union high school under the provisions of RCW 28.58-.230, following the close of the school year during which the second election is held: Provided, That in any such case the county committee shall determine within thirty days after the date of the aforesaid election the advisibility of initiating a proposal for annexation of such nonhigh school district to the school district in which the proposed facilities are to be located or to some other district where its students can attend high school without undue inconvenience: Provided further, That pending such determination by the county

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committee and action thereon as required by law the board of directors of the high school or union high school district shall continue to admit high school students residing in the nonhigh school district. Any proposal for annexation of a nonhigh school district initiated by a county committee shall be subject to the procedural requirements of this amendatory act respecting a public hearing and submission to and approval by the state board of education. Upon approval by the state board of any such proposal, the county superintendent shall make an order establishing the annexation.

RCW 28.56.070 amended.

Inaction may initiate annexation proceedings. SEC. 8. Section 7, chapter 229, Laws of 1953 as amended by section 7, chapter 344, Laws of 1955, and RCW 28.56.070 are each amended to read as follows:

In case of failure or refusal by a board of directors of a nonhigh school district to submit a proposal or proposals to a vote of the electors within the time limit specified in sections 6 and 7 of this amendatory act, the county committee may initiate a proposal for annexation of such nonhigh school district as provided for in section 7 of this amendatory act.

SEC. 9. There is added to chapter 28.56 RCW a new section to read as follows:

If the voters of a nonhigh school district approve an excess tax levy, the levy shall be made at the earliest time permitted by law. If the voters of a nonhigh school district approve the issuance of bonds, the board of directors of the nonhigh school district shall issue and sell said bonds within ninety days after receiving a copy of a resolution of the board of directors of the high school district that the high school district is ready to proceed with the construction of the high school facilities provided for in the plan and requesting the sale of the bonds.

New section.

Tax levy or bond issue, time of. SEC. 10. Sections 8 through 16, chapter 344, Laws Repeal. of 1955 and RCW 28.56.080 through 28.56.160 are each repealed.

SEC. 11. There is added to chapter 28.56 RCW a ^{New section}. new section to read as follows:

All proceedings had and taken under chapter 344, Validation. Laws of 1955, shall be valid and binding although not in compliance with that act if said proceedings comply with the requirements of this amendatory act.

Passed the House March 3, 1959.

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Approved by the Governor March 23, 1957.

CHAPTER 263. [H. B. 430.]

FEES OF PUBLIC OFFICERS.

AN ACT relating to fees of public officers; amending section 1, chapter 70, Laws of 1937, as last amended by section 1, chapter 198, Laws of 1957, and RCW 23.60.010; amending section 4, chapter 19, Laws of 1913, as last amended by section 1, chapter 214, Laws of 1953, and RCW 23.86.070; amending section 13, chapter 134, Laws of 1907, as last amended by section 1, chapter 122, Laws of 1943, and RCW 24.04.130; amending section 28, chapter 70, Laws of 1937 and RCW 23.60.170; amending and enacting RCW 43.07.120; amending section 4, chapter 51, Laws of 1951, as last amended by section 2, chapter 214, Laws of 1953, and RCW 36.18.010; amending and enacting RCW 36.18.030; amending section 6, chapter 51, Laws of 1951 and RCW 36.18.040; amending section 4, chapter 187, Laws of 1919 and RCW 12-.40.040; adding a new section to chapter 36.18 RCW; amending section 2, chapter 98, Laws of 1899, as last amended by section 3, chapter 214, Laws of 1953, and RCW 61.04.030; amending section 8, chapter 98, Laws of 1899, as last amended by section 4, chapter 214, Laws of 1953, and RCW 61.16.040; enacting RCW 3.16.100; and repealing section 4, chapter 126, Laws of 1913, section 2, chapter 178, Laws of 1939, section 3, chapter 69, Laws of 1943 and RCW 2.32-.320.