

CHAPTER 9.

[S. B. 225.]

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S RELIEF AND PENSIONS.

AN ACT relating to volunteer firemen's relief and pensions; providing that the payment for disability or retirement shall be computed in accordance with the last act enacted; adding a new section to chapter 41.24 RCW, and declaring an emergency.

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

New section.

SECTION 1. A new section is hereby added to chapter 41.24 RCW to read as follows:

Computing payments under chapter 41.24 RCW.

Payments to persons who are now receiving, or who may hereafter receive any disability or retirement payments under the provisions of chapter 41.24 RCW shall be computed in accordance with the last act enacted by the legislature relative thereto: *Provided however,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed as reducing the amount of any pension to which any fireman shall have been eligible to receive under the provisions of section 1, chapter 103, Laws of 1951.

Construction.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act are intended to be remedial and procedural and any benefits heretofore paid to recipients hereunder pursuant to any previous act are retroactively included and authorized as part of this act.

Emergency.

SEC. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and welfare, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate January 28, 1959.

Passed the House January 29, 1959.

Approved by the Governor January 30, 1959.