

CHAPTER 32.

[H. B. 83.]

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION—POWERS AND DUTIES.

AN ACT relating to education and the state board of education; and amending section 1, chapter 47, Laws of 1961 and RCW 43.63.140.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 47, Laws of 1961 and RCW 43.63.140 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 43.63.140 amended.

The state board of education shall:

(1) Approve the preparatory entrance requirements for the University of Washington, Washington State University, and the state colleges of education;

State board of education — Powers and duties.

(2) Approve courses for the state colleges of education, for the departments of education of the University of Washington, and Washington State University, and for all normal training departments of higher institutions within the state which may be accredited and whose graduates may become entitled to receive teachers' certificates or life diplomas;

(3) Investigate the character of the work required to be performed as a condition of entrance to and graduation from colleges of education, colleges, universities, and other institutions of higher education, and prepare an accredited list of those higher institutions of learning of this and other states whose graduates may be awarded teachers' certificates by the superintendent of public instruction without examination: *Provided*, That the entrance and graduation requirements of all colleges and universities whose diplomas are accredited must be equal to those of the University of Washington and Washington State University; and the requirements for normal schools shall be equal to the ad-

Proviso.

State board
of education
—Powers and
duties.

vanced course of the colleges of education of this state;

(4) Supervise the issuance of normal diplomas and teachers' certificates, and determine the types and kinds of certificates necessary for the several departments of the common schools;

Proviso.

(5) Examine and accredit secondary schools: *Provided*, That no public high school or private academy shall be placed upon the accredited list so long as secret societies are allowed to exist among its students;

(6) Make rules and regulations governing the establishment in any existing nonhigh school district of any secondary program or any new grades in grades nine through twelve. Before any such program or any new grades are established the district must obtain prior approval of the state board;

(7) Prepare an outline course or courses of study for the kindergarten, elementary school, junior high school, and high school departments of the common schools, and prescribe such rules for the general government of the common schools, as shall secure regularity of attendance, prevent truancy, secure efficiency, and promote the true interest of the common schools;

(8) Prepare a uniform series of questions to be used by the county superintendents in the examination of teachers, and determine rules and regulations for conducting the same, and prepare questions for the examination of applicants for state elementary certificates, and life diplomas;

(9) Prepare answers to all examination questions which are prepared under the supervision of the board;

(10) Prepare uniform questions or provide other bases for use in the examination of the pupils completing the course of study in any division of the common schools;

(11) Arrange such courses and adopt and enforce such regulations as will place the state institutions in harmonious relations with the common schools and with each other, and unify the work of the public school system;

(12) Prepare courses of instruction in physical education, and direct and enforce such instruction throughout the state, with the assistance of the school officials, principals, county superintendents, boards of directors of the public schools, boards of trustees of the state colleges, and boards of regents of the University of Washington, and of Washington State University;

(13) Hear and decide appeals as provided by law;

(14) Define the meaning of the word "education" insofar as the state's obligation is concerned, as it appears in article 9, section 1 of the state constitution.

Passed the House February 19, 1963.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1963.

Approved by the Governor March 13, 1963.

CHAPTER 33.

[H. B. 198.]

BLIND STUDENTS—ASSISTANCE.

AN ACT relating to assistance to blind students; and amending section 2, chapter 175, Laws of 1955, and RCW 28.76.140.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 175, Laws of 1955 and RCW 28.76.140 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 28.76.140 amended.

All blind student assistance shall be distributed under the supervision of the state board of education. The moneys or any part thereof allocated in the manner referred to in RCW 28.76.130 shall, for furnishing said books or equipment or supplying said

Administration of funds for blind students.