

vide for this purpose.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 26. Any weed district formed under chapter 17-.04 or 17.06 RCW prior to the enactment of this act, shall continue to operate under the provisions of the chapter under which it was formed: PROVIDED, That if ten percent of the landowners subject to any such weed district, and the county weed board upon its own motion, petition the county commissioners for a dissolution of the weed district, the county commissioners shall provide for an election to be conducted in the same manner as required for the election of directors under the provisions of chapter 17.04 RCW, to determine by majority vote of those casting votes, if such weed district shall continue to operate under the act it was formed. The land area of any dissolved weed district shall forthwith become subject to the provisions of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 27. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 28. The administrative powers granted under this act to the director of the department of agriculture and to the state noxious weed control board shall be exercised in conformity with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, chapter 34.04 RCW, as now or hereafter amended. The use of any substance to control noxious weeds shall be subject to the provisions of the Water Pollution Control Act, chapter 90.48 RCW, as now or hereafter amended.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 29. Sections 1 through 28 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 17 RCW.

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CHAPTER 114  
[Substitute House Bill No. 415]  
LOCAL HEALTH OFFICERS--  
QUALIFICATIONS--APPOINTMENT

AN ACT Relating to public health; creating new sections; and amending section 9, chapter 51, Laws of 1967 ex.sess. and RCW 70.05.050.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Section 1. Section 9, chapter 51, Laws of 1967 ex.sess. and RCW 70.05.050 are each amended to read as follows:

Each local board of health shall appoint a local health officer who shall be an experienced physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathy and surgery in this state and who is qualified or provisionally qualified in accordance with the standards prescribed in sections 2 through 5 of this 1969 amendatory act to hold the office of local health officer. (~~He shall also hold the degree of master of public health or its equivalent, and shall have had at least two years experience in public health.~~) No term of office shall be established for the local health officer but he shall not be removed until after notice is given him, and an opportunity for a hearing before the board as to the reason for his removal (~~(--PROVIDED, That the local board of health may, with the approval of the state director of health, appoint a physician without such qualifications as local health officer for a period not to exceed two years. PROVIDED FURTHER, That such physician may be appointed as local health officer for an additional period in the event of an emergency where the local board of health is unable to obtain the services of a physician possessing the qualifications set forth above. He shall not engage in the private practice of his profession during his tenure of office).~~). He shall act as executive secretary to, and administrative officer for the local board of health. He shall also be empowered to employ such technical and other personnel as approved by the local board of health. The local health officer shall be paid such salary and allowed such expenses as shall be determined by the local board of health.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The following persons holding licenses as required by RCW 70.05.050 shall be deemed qualified to hold the position of local health officer:

(1) Persons holding the degree of master of public health or its equivalent;

(2) Persons not meeting the requirements of subsection (1) of this section, who upon the effective date of this 1969 amendatory act are currently employed in this state as a local health officer and whom the state director of health recommends in writing to the local board of health as qualified; and

(3) Persons qualified by virtue of completing three years of service as a provisionally qualified officer pursuant to sections 3 through 5 of this 1969 amendatory act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. Persons holding licenses required by RCW 70.05.050 but not meeting any of the requirements for qualification prescribed by section 2 of this 1969 amendatory act may be appointed by local health boards as provisionally qualified local health officers for a maximum period of three years upon the following conditions and in accordance with the following procedure:

(1) He shall participate in an in-service orientation to the field of public health as provided in section 4 of this 1969 amendatory act, and

(2) He shall satisfy the director pursuant to the periodic interviews prescribed by section 5 of this 1969 amendatory act that he has successfully completed such in-service orientation and is conducting such program of good health practices as may be required by the jurisdictional area concerned.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The director of health shall provide an in-service public health orientation program for the benefit of provisionally qualified local health officers.

Such program shall consist of --

(1) A three months course in public health training conducted by the director either in the state department of health, in a county and/or city health department, in a local health district, or in an institution of higher education; or

(2) An on-the-job, self-training program pursuant to a standardized syllabus setting forth the major duties of a local health officer including the techniques and practices of public health prin-

principles expected of qualified local health officers:

PROVIDED, That each provisionally qualified local health officer may choose which type of training he shall pursue.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Each year, on a date which shall be as near as possible to the anniversary date of appointment as provisional local health officer, the state director of health or his designee shall personally visit such provisional officer's office for a personal review and discussion of the activity, plans, and study being carried on relative to the provisional officer's jurisdictional area: PROVIDED, That the third such interview shall occur three months prior to the end of the three year provisional term. A standardized checklist shall be used for all such interviews, but such checklist shall not constitute a grading sheet or evaluation form for use in the ultimate decision of qualification of the provisional appointee as a public health officer.

Copies of the results of each interview shall be supplied to the provisional officer within two weeks following each such interview.

Following the third such interview, the state director of health shall evaluate the provisional local health officer's in-service performance and shall notify such officer by certified mail of his decision whether or not to qualify such officer as a local public health officer. Such notice shall be mailed at least sixty days prior to the third anniversary date of provisional appointment. Failure to so mail such notice shall constitute a decision that such provisional officer is qualified.

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WASHINGTON NONPROFIT  
CORPORATION ACT--AMENDMENTS

AN ACT Relating to nonprofit associations; amending section 17, chapter 235, Laws of 1967 and RCW 24.03.080; amending section 18,