

arterial trust account moneys are to be expended is delayed by any unforeseen condition beyond the control of the contractor and the reservation of moneys earned as required herein shall work undue hardship on the contractor, then the highway commission, city or county, as appropriate, thirty days after completion of all work required under the contract other than that delayed by such unforeseen condition and no taxes having been certified as due or to become due by the department of revenue and no claims filed by any materialman or laborer, may at its discretion order funds reserved for the work actually completed paid to the contractor upon the contractor's delivering good and sufficient bond, with two or more sureties, or with a surety company, in the amount of the reserved funds then paid to the contractor, to the effect that no taxes shall be certified or claims filed for work done other than that delayed by the unforeseen condition within a period of thirty days following final acceptance of said improvement or work as completed; and if such taxes are certified or claims filed, recovery may be had on such bond by the department of revenue and the materialmen and laborers filing claims.

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CHAPTER 152  
[House Bill No. 345]  
STATE PERSONNEL--ADMINISTRATION--  
EMPLOYEES SUGGESTION AWARDS

AN ACT Relating to state personnel; authorizing the receipt and expenditure of federal funds, and authorizing the department of personnel to make its services available to the exempt service; providing that agencies shall reimburse the department of personnel for services rendered in administering the employees suggestions awards program; amending section 8, chapter 1, Laws of 1961 as amended by section 5, chapter 45, Laws of 1969, and RCW 41.06.080; amending section 1, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 41.60.010; amending section 2, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 41.60.020; amend-

ing section 4, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 41.60.040; amending section 5, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 41.60.050; amending section 6, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess., and RCW 41.60.060; adding a new section to chapter 1, Laws of 1961 and to chapter 41.06 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess., and to chapter 41.60 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 1, Laws of 1961 and to chapter 41.06 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The state personnel board is authorized to receive federal funds now available or hereafter made available for the assistance and improvement of public personnel administration, which may be expended in addition to the department of personnel service fund established by RCW 41.06.280.

Sec. 2. Section 8, chapter 1, Laws of 1961 as amended by section 5, chapter 45, Laws of 1969, and RCW 41.06.080 are each amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the department of personnel may make its services available on request, on a reimbursable basis, to:

- (1) Either the legislative or the judicial branch of the state government;
- (2) Any county, city, town, or other municipal subdivision of the state;
- (3) The institutions of higher learning;
- (4) (~~The department of highways~~) Any agency, class, or position set forth in RCW 41.06.070.

Sec. 3. Section 1, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess., and RCW 41.60.010 are each amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Board" means the employee suggestion awards board.
- (2) "Employee suggestion program" means the program developed

by the board under RCW 41.60.020(2).

(3) "Secretary" means the secretary of the employee suggestion program.

(4) "Institutions of higher learning" are the University of Washington, Washington State University, Central Washington State College, Eastern Washington State College, Western Washington State College, The Evergreen State College, and the various state community college districts.

Sec. 4. Section 2, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess., and RCW 41.60.020 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) There is ~~((hereby))~~ established the employee suggestion awards board. The board shall consist of the director of personnel or his designee who shall serve as its chairman and ~~((three))~~ two state officers or state employees appointed by the governor, to serve at his pleasure. ~~((The members of the board shall elect one member as chairman.))~~ The governor shall appoint a state officer or state employee to serve as secretary of the employee suggestion program.

(2) The board shall formulate, establish and maintain an employee suggestion program to encourage and reward meritorious suggestions by state employees that will promote efficiency and economy in the performance of any function of state government: PROVIDED, That this 1969 amendatory act shall not apply to the institutions of higher learning or to their employees.

(3) The secretary, with the approval of the employee suggestion awards board, shall prepare rules and regulations necessary or appropriate for the proper administration and for the accomplishment of the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 5. Section 4, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess., and RCW 41.60.040 are each amended to read as follows:

Cash awards ~~((not to exceed a total of five thousand dollars during any fiscal year.))~~ may be paid from the department of personnel service fund not to exceed a total of five thousand dollars during any fiscal year from sources provided in this 1969 amendatory act, togeth-

er with such other funds as may be available from donations, grants, and other sources: PROVIDED, That no award or awards in any fiscal year to any one employee shall exceed three hundred dollars.

Sec. 6. Section 5, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess., and RCW 41.60.050 are each amended to read as follows:

Administrative expenses of the board in administering this chapter (~~((shall-be-limited-to-two-hundred-dollars-per-biennium-and))~~) shall be paid from the department of personnel service fund and shall be limited to five thousand dollars per biennium from sources provided in this 1969 amendatory act together with such other funds as may be available from donations, grants and other sources.

Sec. 7. Section 6, chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess., and RCW 41.60.060 are each amended to read as follows:

~~((1))~~) The estimated annual amount of the cash awards and administrative expenses under this chapter which are to be paid from the department of personnel service fund shall be in addition to the administrative expenses and costs of operating the personnel departments established under the provisions of RCW 41.06.030 (~~((,41,06,050))~~) and 41.06.060, as now or hereafter amended, and shall be added to and collected with the administrative expenses and costs of operating ~~((these-agencies))~~ the department of personnel under RCW 41.06.280.

~~((2)--Vouchers-for-the-payment-of-cash-awards-and-administrative-expenses-shall-be-prepared-by-the-directors-of-the-personnel-boards-established-by-RCW-41,06,030,41,06,050-and-41,06,060-payable-from-the-department-of-personnel-service-fund-upon-certification-of-the-chairman-or-secretary-of-the-employee-suggestion-awards-board-of-the-amount-of-the-cash-award-and-the-person-to-whom-the-award-has-been-made-or-the-amount-of-the-administrative-expenses,))~~

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. There is added to chapter 142, Laws of 1965 ex. sess., and to chapter 41.60 RCW a new section to read as follows:

An amount may be charged against the agencies allotments subject to chapter 41.60 RCW pro rata, at a rate to be fixed by the

chairman of the employees suggestion awards board from time to time which will provide the employees suggestion awards board with funds to pay the administrative expenses and cash awards provided in this 1969 amendatory act during the allotment period. Funds made available from other sources for expenditure under this 1969 amendatory act shall be paid into and disbursed from the department of personnel service fund.

The moneys for employees suggestion awards shall be disbursed by the state treasurer by warrant on vouchers duly authorized by the chairman of the employees suggestion awards board or his designee.

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CHAPTER 153  
[Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 421]  
SCHOOL BUSES--LEASES--  
DRIVER QUALIFICATIONS

AN ACT Relating to education; authorizing school districts to lease school buses to any other school districts; amending section 2, chapter 68, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 1, chapter 12, Laws of 1967 and section 1, chapter 29, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 28.58.100; adding a new section to chapter 28.04 RCW; amending section 28A.24.055, chapter ..., Laws of 1969 (HB 58) and RCW 28A.24.055; adding a new section to chapter 28A.04 RCW; and providing sections to effect the correlative and pari materia construction of this act with the provisions of Title 28 RCW, or of Title 28A RCW if such title shall be enacted; and declaring an emergency.

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

Part I. Sections affecting current law.

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 68, Laws of 1955 as last amended by section 1, chapter 12, Laws of 1967 and section 1, chapter 29, Laws of 1967 ex. sess., and RCW 28.58.100 are each amended to read as follows:

Every board of directors, unless otherwise specially provided