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CHAPTER 52 [Engrossed House Bill No. 57] LICENSES--RENEWAL--STAGGERING

AN ACT Relating to renewal of licenses; and adding a new section to chapter 43.24 RCW.

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 1. There is added to chapter 43.24 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the director of motor vehicles may, from time to time, extend the duration of a licensing period for the purpose of staggering renewal periods. Such extension of a licensing period shall be by rule or regulation of the department of motor vehicles adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 34.04 RCW. Such rules and regulations may provide a method for imposing and collecting such additional proportional fee as may be required for the extended period.

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CHAPTER 53 [Engrossed House Bill No. 108] SCHOOL BOARDS

AN ACT Relating to education; amending section 9, chapter 176, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.21.090; amending section 28A.57.326, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as amended by section 156, chapter 176, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.57.326; amending section 28A.57.260, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as amended by section 134, chapter 176, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.57.260; adding a new section to chapter 28A.57 RCW; and repealing section 28A.59.130, chapter 223, Laws of 1963 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.59.130.

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

Section 1. Section 9, chapter 176, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.21.090 are each amended to read as follows:

Every intermediate school district board of education shall have the following additional powers and duties:

(1) Advise with and pass upon the recommendations of the intermediate school district superintendent in the preparation of

manuals, courses of study, and rules and regulations for the circulating libraries.

(2) Adopt rules and regulations as it shall deem necessary for the schools of the intermediate school district, not inconsistent with the code of public instruction or with the rules and regulations of the state board of education or the superintendent of public instruction.

(3) Approve the budgets of the intermediate school district, and certify to the board or boards of county commissioners the amount needed from county funds and to the state board of education the estimates of special service funds needed.

(4) Meet regularly according to the schedule adopted at the organization meeting and in special session upon the call of the chairman, or a majority of the board, or the intermediate school district superintendent.

(5) Assist the intermediate school district superintendent in the selection of personnel and clerical staff as provided in RCW 28A.21.100.

(6) Fix the amount of and approve the intermediate school district superintendent's bond.

(7) Exercise careful supervision over the common schools of the district and see that all provisions of the common school laws are observed and followed by teachers, supervisors, superintendents and school officers.

(8) Hear and decide all disputes concerning conflicting or incorrectly described school district boundaries.

(9) ((Appoint school district directors in school districts of the second and third classes to fill vacancies and appoint school directors for any new school districts. When any new school district is organized, such of the school directors of the old school district as reside within the limits of the new one shall be such directors of the new one, and the vacancies of the old one shall be filled by appointmentr

(+0)) Hear and act upon appeals as provided in RCW 28A.88.020.

((<del>(</del>††))) <u>(10)</u> Acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise, property necessary for the operation of the intermediate school district and to the execution of the duties of the board and superintendent thereof, and to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of that property not so necessary.

(({+2})) (11) Adopt such bylaws, rules and regulations for its own government as it deems necessary or appropriate.

(((+13))) (12) Enter into contracts and employ consultants and legal counsel relating to any of the duties, functions and powers of the intermediate school districts.

Sec. 2. Section 28A.57.326, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as amended by section 156, chapter 176, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.57.326 are each amended to read as follows:

(({+) The board of directors of any first class school district shall fill; by appointment after board election; any vacancy which may occur in its body, but the appointment to fill such vacancy shall be valid only until the next regular district election-

(2) In case of a vacancy from any cause in the board of directors of a second class school districty the intermediate school district superintendent in conjunction with the other directors, shall fill such vacancy by appointment until the next regular school district election, at which time a successor shall be elected for the unexpired term. In case the electors of any second class school district shall fail to elect a director at any election and for whatsoever reason; the intermediate school district superintendent shall declare the office vacant upon the expiration of the term of the incumbent director and such vacancy shall be filled as hereinabove in this subsection provided.

(3) In case of a vacancy from any cause in the board of directors of a third class school district; the intermediate school district superintendent shall fill such vacancy by appointment until the next regular school district election, at which time a successor shall be elected for the unexpired term. In case the electors of any third class district shall fail to elect a director at any election end. fer whatsoever reason; the intermediate school district superintendent shall declare the office vacant upon the expiration of the term of the incumbent director and fill such vacancy as hereinabove in this subsection provided.

In the event of there being less than two members on the board of any first or second class district for whatsoever reason the intermediate school district superintendent shall fill such vacancies by appointment; such appointments being valid only until the next regular school district election at which time successors shall be elected for the respective unexpired terms.

Vacancies in second and third class districts may result from vacancies caused by death, resignation, failure of the district to hold elections; failure of an electee to qualify before the day for taking office; absence from the district for a period of ninety days without board sanction or failure to attend four consecutive meetings of the board without a reasonable excuse.))

In case of a vacancy from any cause on the board of directors of a school district other than a reconstituted board resulting from reorganized school districts, a majority of the legally established number of board members shall fill such vacancy by appointment: PROVIDED. That should there exist fewer board members on the board of Ch. 53 WASHINGTON LAWS 1971

directors of a school district than constitutes a majority of the legally established number of board members, the intermediate school <u>district board members of the district in which the school district</u> is located by the vote of a majority of its legally established number of board members shall appoint a sufficient number of board members to constitute a legal majority on the board of directors of such school district; and the remaining vacancies on such board of directors shall be filled by such board of directors in accordance with the provisions of this section: PROVIDED FURTHER, That should any board of directors for whatever reason fail to fill a vacancy within ninety days from the creation of such vacancy, the members of the intermediate school district board of the district in which the school district is located by majority yote shall fill such vacancy.

Appointees to fill vacancies on the board of directors of school districts shall meet the requirements provided by law for school directors and shall serve until the next regular school district election, at which time a successor shall be elected for the unexpired term.

Sec. 3. Section 28A.57.260, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as amended by section 134, chapter 176, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.57.260 are each amended to read as follows:

Every director or superintendent of a joint school district ((shall)), on assuming the duties of ((his)) office, shall file ((his)) a certificate of election or appointment and ((his)) a certified attestment of such person's signature with the intermediate school district superintendent to which the district belongs, which signature shall be placed on file with the appropriate county auditor by the said superintendent. A vacancy in the office of director of a joint district ((of the second or third class shall be filled by the intermediate school district superintendent to which the district belongs, such appointment to be valid only until a director is elected and qualified to fill such vacancy at the next regular district election. In a joint district of the first class, such vacancy)) shall be filled in the manner provided by RCW 28A.57.326 for filling vacancies ((in districts of the first class)), such appointment to be valid only until a director is elected and qualified to fill such vacancy at the next regular district election.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 28A.57 RCW a new section to read as follows:

A majority of all members of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum. Absence of any board member from four consecutive regular meetings of the board, unless on account of sickness or authorized by resolution of the board, shall be sufficient cause for the remaining members of the board to declare by resolution that such board member position is vacated.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Section 28A.59.130, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.59.130 are each hereby repealed.

<u>NEW SECTION</u>. Sec. 6. If any provision of this 1971 amendatory act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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CHAPTER 54 [House Bill No. 109] SCHOOL DISTRICTS--CLASSIFICATION AND NUMBERING

AN ACT Relating to powers and duties of the state board of education; and amending section 28A.04.130, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.04.130.

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

Section 1. Section 28A.04.130, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 28A.04.130 are each amended to read as follows:

The state board of education is hereby empowered, and it shall be the duty of said board, to prescribe rules and regulations governing the classification <u>and numbering system</u> of school districts, except as otherwise provided by law.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. If any provision of this 1971 amendatory act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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