

CHAPTER 1

[House Bill No. 356]

MEMORIAL DAY--VETERANS'
DAY--CELEBRATION DATES

AN ACT Relating to legal holidays; and amending section 1, chapter 51, Laws of 1927 as last amended by section 1, chapter 11, Laws of 1969 and RCW 1.16.050; and amending section 3, chapter 9, Laws of 1955 1st ex. sess. and RCW 42.04.060.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 51, Laws of 1927, as last amended by section 1, chapter 11, Laws of 1969 and RCW 1.16.050 are each amended to read as follows:

The following are legal holidays: Sunday; the first day of January, commonly called New Year's Day; the twelfth day of February, being the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln; the third Monday of February, being celebrated as the anniversary of the birth of George Washington; the ~~((last Monday of May))~~ thirtieth day of May, commonly known as Memorial Day; the fourth day of July, being the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence; the first Monday in September, to be known as Labor Day; the second Monday of October, to be known as Columbus Day; the ~~((fourth Monday of October))~~ eleventh day of November, to be known as Veterans' Day; the fourth Thursday in November, to be known as Thanksgiving Day; the twenty-fifth day of December, commonly called Christmas Day; the day on which any general election is held throughout the state; and any day designated by public proclamation of the chief executive of the state as a legal holiday.

If any of the above specified state legal holidays are also federal legal holidays but observed on different dates, only the state legal holidays shall be recognized as a paid legal holiday for employees of the state and its political subdivisions.

Whenever any legal holiday, other than Sunday, falls upon a Sunday, the following Monday shall be a legal holiday.

Sec. 2. Section 3, chapter 9, Laws of 1955 1st ex. sess. and RCW 42.04.060 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

All state elective and appointive officers shall keep their offices open for the transaction of business from eight o'clock a.m. to five o'clock p.m. of each business day from Monday through Friday, state legal holidays excepted. On Saturday, such offices may be closed.

This section shall not apply to the courts of record of this state or to their officers nor to the office of the attorney general and the lieutenant governor.

Passed the Senate April 11, 1973.

Passed the House April 13, 1973.

Vetoed by the Governor April 26, 1973.

Veto overridden by the Senate September 14, 1973.

Veto overridden by the House September 14, 1973.

Filed in Office of Secretary of State September 18, 1973.

Note: Governor's explanation of veto is as follows:

"I return herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 356 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to legal holidays."

This bill provides that state employees will observe Memorial Day on the 30th of May, instead of the last Monday in May, and Veteran's Day on the 11th day of November instead of the fourth Monday in October.

If approved, House Bill 356 would create a situation where state and federal agencies would be unable to conduct business with each other on either the state or federal holiday. The private sector would also be disrupted because some firms would close on the federal holiday, others would close on the state holiday. The disruptive impact on the functions of both government and private industry would be tremendous. In addition, many families would not be able to observe these two holidays together. I have already signed into law House Bill 117, Chapter 32 of the 1973 Regular Session, which sets school holidays to comply with federal legal holidays. Since House Bill 356 would require state employees to work on these federal holidays, many state employees would not be able to be with their families. Also there are many families where both the mother and father work, and it is very possible that their employers may not give them the same day off.

While it is recognized that many of our citizens desire to observe these holidays on the same day as they were observed in the past, such observance is in conflict with the Congressional determination that these holidays be observed on Mondays, thus giving many workers a three-day weekend. I believe it is important that we conform our

observance of these holidays with that of the federal government. Without such conformity, there would be confusion and frustration among employees and employers alike."

The Honorable A. Ludlow Kramer
Secretary of State
State of Washington

Dear Mr. Secretary:

"I am returning herewith House Bill No. 356 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to legal holidays"

This bill was vetoed by Governor Evans on April 26, 1973. The veto was overridden by the Legislature on September 14, 1973.

Respectfully submitted,

DEAN R. FOSTER
Chief Clerk

CHAPTER 2
[Substitute House Bill No. 323]
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES--
MANDATORY SENTENCES

AN ACT Relating to controlled substances; defining crimes; providing for mandatory sentencing; amending section 69.50.401, chapter 308, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 69.50.401; adding a new section to chapter 308, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and to chapter 69.50 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

Section 1. Section 69.50.401, chapter 308, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 69.50.401 are each amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as authorized by this chapter, it is unlawful for any person to manufacture, deliver, or possess with intent to manufacture or deliver, a controlled substance.

(1) Any person who violates this subsection with respect to:

(i) a controlled substance classified in Schedule I or II