

CHAPTER 285.

[S. B. 489.]

STATE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.

AN ACT relating to state government; establishing a department of general administration; creating the office of director of general administration; defining powers and duties; adding a new section to chapter 43.19 RCW; amending section 2, chapter 209, Laws of 1919, sections 37 and 42, chapter 7, Laws of 1921, section 1, chapter 111, Laws of 1937, sections 1, 2, 11, 13, 16, 17, 18 and 21, chapter 176, Laws of 1935, section 1, chapter 123, Laws of 1945, sections 2 and 3, chapter 217, Laws of 1945, section 1, chapter 267, Laws of 1945, section 1, chapter 114, Laws of 1947 and RCW 43.17.010, 43.17.020, 43.19.010, 43.19.020, 43.19.040, 43.19-.100, 43.19.110, 43.19.180, 43.19.190, 43.19.200, 43.19.220, 43.19.230, 73.12.020 and repealing section 10, chapter 119, Laws of 1901 and section 8, chapter 160, Laws of 1907 and RCW 72.04.070 and 72.04.080 and amending section 2, chapter 220, Laws of 1953 and RCW 47.56.020, and section 1, chapter 11, Laws of 1947 and RCW 46.08.150.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 111, Laws of 1937, sections 1 and 2, chapter 176, Laws of 1935, section 1, chapter 267, Laws of 1945 and section 5, chapter 114, Laws of 1947 (heretofore combined, divided and codified as RCW 43.17.010 and 43.17.020) are divided and amended to read as set forth in sections 2 and 3 of this act.

Division and amendment.

SEC. 2. (RCW 43.17.010) There shall be departments of the state government which shall be known as (1) the department of public assistance, (2) the department of institutions, (3) the department of health, (4) the department of conservation and development, (5) the department of labor and industries, (6) the department of agriculture, (7) the department of licenses, (8) the department of fisheries, (9) the department of game, (10) the department of highways and (11) the department of general administration, which shall be charged with the execution, enforcement, and administration of such laws,

Departments of state governments.

and invested with such powers and required to perform such duties, as the legislature may provide.

Chief executive officers of departments.

SEC. 3. There shall be a chief executive officer of each department to be known as: (1) The director of social security, (2) the director of institutions, (3) the director of health, (4) the director of conservation and development, (5) the director of labor and industries, (6) the director of agriculture, (7) the director of licenses, (8) the director of fisheries, (9) the director of game, (10) the director of highways, and (11) the director of general administration.

Appointment.

They shall be appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate, and hold office at the pleasure of the governor. If a vacancy occurs while the senate

Vacancy.

is not in session, the governor shall make a temporary appointment until the next meeting of the senate, when he shall present to that body his nomination for the office.

Amendment.

SEC. 4. Section 11, chapter 176, Laws of 1935 and RCW 43.19.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Divisions of department of general administration.

The department of general administration shall be organized into five divisions, to be known as, (1) the division of banking, (2) the division of savings and loan associations, (3) the division of capitol buildings, (4) the division of purchasing, and (5) the division of veterans' loan insurance.

The director of general administration shall have charge and general supervision of the department. He may appoint and deputize such clerical and other assistants as may be necessary for the general administration of the department. The director of general administration shall receive a salary in an amount fixed by the governor.

This section repealed by sec. 6, chap. 195, Laws of 1955.

Amendment.

SEC. 5. Section 2, chapter 209, Laws of 1919 and section 1, chapter 123, Laws of 1945 (heretofore com-

bined and codified as RCW 43.19.020) are combined and amended to read as follows:

The director of general administration shall appoint and deputize an assistant director to be known as the supervisor of banking, who shall have charge and supervision of the division of banking. With the approval of the director, he may appoint and employ bank examiners and such other assistants and personnel as may be necessary to carry on the work of the division.

Supervisor
of banking.

No person shall be eligible for appointment as supervisor of banking unless he is, and for the last two years prior to his appointment has been, a citizen of the United States and a resident of this state; nor if he is interested in any bank or trust company as director, officer, or stockholder.

Qualifications
for appoint-
ment as
supervisor of
banking.

SEC. 6. Section 17, chapter 176, Laws of 1935 and RCW 43.19.040 are each amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

The director of general administration, through the division of banking, shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties prescribed by law with respect to banks and trust companies, mutual savings banks, loan agencies and other similar institutions.

Duties director
exercises—
division of
banking.

SEC. 7. Section 13, chapter 176, Laws of 1935 and RCW 43.19.100 are each amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

The director of general administration, shall appoint and deputize an assistant director to be known as the supervisor of savings and loan associations, who shall have charge and supervision of the division of savings and loan associations.

Supervisor of
savings and
loan associa-
tions.

With the approval of the director, he may appoint and employ such assistants and personnel as may be necessary to carry on the work of the division.

Personnel.

No person shall be eligible for appointment as supervisor of savings and loan associations unless he is, and for at least two years prior to his appointment has been, a citizen of the United States and a resident of this state, and has had at least two years' practical

Qualifications
for appoint-
ment as super-
visor of sav-
ings and loan
associations.

experience in savings and loan employment, examination, or supervision.

Amendment.

SEC. 8. Section 18, chapter 176, Laws of 1935 and RCW 43.19.110 are each amended to read as follows:

Duties director exercises—division of savings and loan associations.

The director of general administration, through the division of savings and loan associations, shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties prescribed by law with respect to savings and loan associations, credit unions, and other similar institutions.

New section.

SEC. 9. There is added to chapter 43.19 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Duties director exercises—division of capitol buildings.

The director of general administration, through the division of capitol buildings, shall:

- (1) Have custody and control of the capitol buildings and grounds, supervise and direct proper care, heating, lighting and repairing thereof, and designate rooms in the capitol buildings to be occupied by various state officials;
- (2) Prepare topographical and architectural plans for the state capitol buildings where not already prepared;
- (3) Establish a systematic building program providing for the grouping of buildings at the state capitol;
- (4) Prepare plans, specifications, and estimates of cost for all necessary repairs or betterments to the state capitol buildings, to accompany the estimates for the biennial budget;
- (5) Supervise the erection, repairing and betterment of all capitol buildings.

Amendment.

SEC. 10. Section 16, chapter 176, Laws of 1935 and RCW 43.19.180 are each amended to read as follows:

Supervisor of purchasing.

The director of general administration shall appoint and depute an assistant director to be known as the supervisor of purchasing, who shall have charge and supervision of the division of purchasing.

With the approval of the director, he may appoint and employ such assistants and personnel as may be necessary to carry on the work of the division.

Personnel.

SEC. 11. Section 21, chapter 176, Laws of 1935 and sections 37 and 42, chapter 7, Laws of 1921 (heretofore divided, combined, and codified as RCW 43.19.190 and 43.19.200) are divided and amended to read as set forth in sections 12 and 13 of this act.

Division and amendment.

SEC. 12. (RCW 43.19.190) The director of general administration, through the division of purchasing, shall:

Duties director exercises—
division of purchasing.

(1) Purchase all supplies for the support and maintenance of the state institutions under the control of the department of institutions, and all supplies needed for the support, maintenance, and use of the state's educational institutions, the offices of the elective state officers, the supreme court, the administrative and other departments of the state government, and the offices of all appointive officers of the state;

(2) Administer the "central stores" system and all of its affiliated activities;

(3) Purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire and dispose of federal surplus property for the use of any state department or political subdivision of the state;

(4) Sell or exchange personal property belonging to the state for which the office, department, or institution having custody thereof has no further use, at public or private sale and with or without notice, and cause the moneys realized from the sale of any such property to be paid into the state treasury, accompanied by a statement showing the fund from which the property sold was purchased, to which fund the state treasurer shall credit such moneys: *Provided*, That if such fund is not in existence at the time of the sale, the moneys shall be credited to the general fund.

Enacted without amendment.

SEC. 13. (RCW 43.19.200) The governing authorities of the state's educational institutions, the elective state officers, the supreme court, the administrative and other departments of the state government, and all appointive officers of the state, shall prepare estimates of the supplies required for the proper conduct and maintenance of their respective institutions, offices, and departments, covering periods to be fixed by the director, and forward them to the director in accordance with his directions. No such authorities, officers, or departments, or any officer or employee thereof, may purchase any article for the use of their institutions, offices, or departments, except in case of extreme and immediate necessity. All persons making emergency purchases, shall immediately report the same, with the reasons therefore, to the director.

Estimates of supplies to be sent director.

Prohibition on purchase of articles.

Emergency purchases.

Payment for purchases.

Purchases made for the state's educational institutions, the offices of the elective state officers, the supreme court, the administrative and other departments of the state government, and the offices of all appointive officers of the state, shall be paid for out of the moneys appropriated for supplies, material, and service of the respective institutions, offices, and departments.

Amendment.

SEC. 14. Section 2, chapter 217, Laws of 1945 and RCW 43.19.220 are each amended to read as follows:

Supervisor of veterans' loan insurance.

The director of general administration shall appoint and deputize an assistant director to be known as the supervisor of veterans' loan insurance, who shall have charge and supervision of the division of veterans' loan insurance.

Personnel.

With the approval of the director, he may appoint and deputize such clerical and other assistants as may be necessary to carry on the work of the division and provide necessary quarters, supplies, and equipment.

Division and amendment.

SEC. 15. Section 3, chapter 217, Laws of 1945 (heretofore divided and codified as RCW 43.19.230

and 73.12.020) is divided and amended to read as set forth in sections 16 and 17 of this act.

SEC. 16. (RCW 43.19.230) The director of general administration, through the division of veterans' loan insurance, shall have charge and supervision of the guarantee of loans to war veterans as provided in Title 73, and such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by law.

Duties director exercises—
division of
veterans' loan
insurance.

SEC. 17. (RCW 73.12.020) In order to assist the granting of loans to any citizen of the state who is serving or who has served in the army, navy, marine corps, or coast guard during World War II and who applies to any state bank or savings and loan association chartered under the laws of the state for a loan which may be guaranteed by the United States under the provisions of Public Law 346, the director of general administration, through the division of veterans' loan insurance, shall have the power and duty:

(1) To guarantee, under such terms and conditions as he deems advisable, the payment of any federally guaranteed loan made to any such citizen by any such state bank or savings and loan association, to an amount not in excess of twenty-five percent of the face value of such loan, any such guarantee to be in addition to the federal guarantee and to be made solely from and by means of the veterans' loan insurance reserve fund: *Provided*, That in no event shall the total of any guarantee of the United States and any guarantee made under the provisions hereof exceed seventy-five percent of the face value of any such loan: *Provided further*, That the total amount of all guarantees made by the director shall not exceed the total liability of the veterans' loan insurance reserve fund.

Guarantee in
addition to
federal
guarantee.

Restriction on
amount of
guarantee.

(2) To exercise such other powers and perform such other duties in connection with such loans and the veterans' loan insurance reserve fund guarantee

thereof as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes hereof and to protect the interests of the state in connection therewith and to have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by law.

Transfer of moneys.

(3) To transfer such money from the veterans' loan insurance fund to the veterans' loan insurance reserve fund at such times and in such amounts as he deems necessary to accomplish the purposes hereof.

Issue regulations; receive premiums.

(4) To issue regulations concerning the terms and conditions under which the veterans' loan insurance reserve fund guarantee will be extended or paid in connection with any loan guaranteed pursuant to the provisions hereof, and to receive from borrowers and lenders such loan insurance premiums as he may require from time to time to be paid by them.

Duties director exercises—formerly invested in director of public institutions.

SEC. 18. The director of general administration shall have the power and duties of the director of public institutions contained in the following chapters of RCW: Chapter 33.04 concerning savings and loan associations; chapter 39.32 concerning purchase of federal property; chapter 40.08 and 40.12 concerning archives; chapter 43.90 concerning central stores and chapter 73.12 concerning veterans' loan insurance.

Repeal.

SEC. 19. Section 10, chapter 119, Laws of 1901 and section 8, chapter 166, Laws of 1907 and RCW 72.04.070 and 72.04.080 are repealed.

Amendment.

SEC. 20. Section 2, chapter 220, Laws of 1953 and RCW 47.56.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Creation of Washington toll bridge authority.

There is hereby created the Washington toll bridge authority composed of the governor, state auditor, chairman of the public service commission, chairman of the Washington state highway commission, and the director of general administration. The director of highways shall be an ex officio member of said authority but without a vote. Members shall

Ex officio member.

serve without compensation other than that received in the office by virtue of which they are members. Any expenses incurred for clerical or other assistance and necessary supplies shall be paid for in the manner and from funds as provided herein. A majority of the members of the authority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 21. Section 1, chapter 11, Laws of 1947 and RCW 46.08.150 are each amended to read as follows: Amendment.

The director of general administration shall have power to devise and promulgate rules and regulations for the control of vehicular and pedestrian traffic and the parking of motor vehicles on the state capitol grounds. Such rules and regulations shall be promulgated by publication in one issue of a newspaper published at the state capital and shall be given such further publicity as the director may deem proper. Rules and regulations—
pedestrian
and vehicle
control.

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