

cordance therewith, shall not be annulled, modified, set aside, or disregarded.

Effective immediately.

SEC. 3. This act is necessary for the support of the state government and its existing institutions, and shall take effect on May 1, 1945.

Passed the Senate February 25, 1945.

Passed the House March 6, 1945.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1945.

CHAPTER 252.

[S. B. 241.]

AERONAUTICS.

AN ACT relating to airports; creating office and fixing the duties of Director of Aeronautics and State Aeronautics Advisory Committee; providing for the acquisition of property for airport purposes and appropriating monies therefor.

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

Director of Aeronautics.

State Aeronautics Advisory Committee.

SECTION 1. The Governor shall appoint a Director of Aeronautics and a State Aeronautics Advisory Committee, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Advisory Committee shall consist of six (6) members, one of whom shall be appointed from each congressional district of the state. Each member shall serve until the appointment and qualification of his successor. All members of the committee shall be citizens and bona fide residents of the state and of the congressional district they represent.

Qualifications of Director.

SEC. 2. The Director of Aeronautics shall have the following qualifications:

(1) The person selected as Director of Aeronautics shall be appointed with due regard to his fitness, by knowledge and experience in aeronautics, and for the efficient dispatch of the powers and duties vested in and imposed upon him by this act.

(2) The Director of Aeronautics shall not be actively engaged or employed in any other business, vocation or employment nor shall he have any pecuniary interest in or any stock in or any bonds of any civil aeronautics enterprise.

SEC. 3. The Director shall have the following powers and duties: Powers and duties of Director.

(1) To establish a state airport system consistent with the Federal airport program.

(2) To contract with any person, municipality and other sub-division of the state, or the Federal Government, relative to the acquisition, construction, establishment and operation of airports and related facilities.

(3) To acquire property, real and personal, for airport use, by purchase or condemnation in the manner that similar property is acquired by the State Highway Department.

(4) To hold such property in the name of the state and generally manage, rent, lease and dispose of such property and to fix and collect charges for the use of airport facilities.

(5) To sue and be sued and to intervene in the name of the state in all legal actions affecting aeronautics.

(6) To establish standards and issue certificates of approval for airports and to revoke such certificates when the interests of public safety so require.

(7) To maintain offices in Olympia and such other places as may be necessary.

(8) To hire such assistants, technical and clerical employees, as may be required, together with supplies and equipment necessary to perform his duties.

SEC. 4. The actions of the Director of Aeronautics shall be subject to review by the Superior Court in the manner providing for reviews of the orders of the Department of Labor and Industries. Actions subject to review.

Prepare plans and make report.

SEC. 5. The Director of Aeronautics and the State Aeronautics Advisory Committee shall prepare studies on matters relating to aeronautical development in this state and shall report to the Governor on or before the 31st of December, 1946, and annually thereafter, on the progress of such development. It shall study legislation relative to aeronautics and include legislative recommendations in such report.

Penalty.

SEC. 6. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to operate an airport without a certificate of approval. Any person, firm or corporation who commits any act in violation of this section, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Rules and regulations.

SEC. 7. The Director of Aeronautics together with the Advisory Committee shall be empowered to establish rules and regulations pertaining to aeronautics, consistent with established Federal rules and regulations.

Salary.

SEC. 8. The Director of Aeronautics shall be paid a salary of not to exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) per year. The members of the Aeronautics Committee shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties and shall receive ten dollars (\$10) for each day devoted thereto.

Vetoed.

SEC. 9. There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the state the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the purposes of this act.

Partial invalidity.

SEC. 10. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the provisions or application of this act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SEC. 11. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 12. This act may be cited as the "State Aero- Title.
nautic Department Act."

Passed the Senate February 24, 1945.

Passed the House March 6, 1945.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1945, with the exception of section 9, which is vetoed.

CHAPTER 253.

[S. B. 153.]

TAXATION OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.

AN ACT relating to taxation of real and personal property; providing limiting rates of levy; amending section 1, chapter 176, Laws of 1941; and repealing various acts and parts of acts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 176, Laws of 1941 (section 11238-1e, Remington's Revised Statutes, 1941 Supp., also Pierce's Perpetual Code 979-485), is amended to read as follows: Amend-
ment.

Section 1. Except as hereinafter provided, the aggregate of all tax levies upon real and personal property by the state, municipal corporations, taxing districts and governmental agencies, now existing or hereafter created, shall not in any year exceed forty mills on the dollar of assessed valuation, which assessed valuation shall be fifty per centum (50%) of the true and fair value of such property in money; and within and subject to the aforesaid limitation the levy by the state shall not exceed two (2) mills to be used exclusively for the support of the University of Washington, Washington State College and the State College of Education; the levy by any county shall not exceed ten (10) mills including any levy for the county Limit on
tax levy
on real and
personal
property.