

CHAPTER 50.

[S. B. 102.]

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

AN ACT relating to the powers and duties of the Attorney General; providing for the legal representation of the State of Washington and departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and administrative tribunals thereof and providing for the appointment of certain personnel therein, excepting certain state agencies; repealing all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency.

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

Additional powers for Attorney General.

Duties.

Represent State and officials.

All legal matters.

Exception.

To employ or discharge attorneys.

Fix compensation.

SECTION 1. In addition to the powers and duties now given the Attorney General of the State of Washington by law, he shall also have the power, and it shall be his duty, to represent the State of Washington and all officials, departments, boards, commissions and agencies of the State of Washington in the courts and before all administrative tribunals or bodies of any nature in all legal or quasi legal matters, hearings or proceedings, and to advise all officials, departments, boards, commissions or agencies of the State of Washington in all matters involving legal or quasi legal questions, except where it is otherwise provided by law to be the duty of the Prosecuting Attorney of any county; and it shall be the duty of the Attorney General of the State of Washington, and he shall have the power, to employ or discharge sufficient attorneys and clerks to transact for the State of Washington, its departments, officials, boards, commissions and agencies, all business of a legal or quasi legal nature, except where it is provided by law to be the duty of the judge of any court, or the Prosecuting Attorney of any county, and the Attorney General shall fix the salary and compensation for all such attorneys and employees, and in the event such attorneys or employees are assigned to any department, board

or commission, such department, board or commission shall pay the salary or compensation of such persons, as fixed by the Attorney General, not exceeding the funds made available to the department by law for legal services.

Department attorneys assigned.

Compensation from department.

SEC. 2. No officer, official, director, administrative agency, board or commission of the State of Washington, other than the Attorney General, shall employ, appoint, or retain in employment any attorney for any administrative body, department, commission, agency, or tribunal or any other person to act as attorney in any legal or quasi legal capacity in the exercise of any of the powers or performance of any of the duties set forth in this act, except where it is provided by law to be the duty of the judge of any court or the Prosecuting Attorney of any county to employ or appoint such persons.

No other official to appoint attorney.

Exception.

SEC. 3. The Attorney General shall have the power to employ from time to time such skilled experts, scientists, technicians or other specially qualified persons as he may deem necessary to aid him in preparing for the trial of actions.

May employ experts.

SEC. 4. This act shall not apply to the administration of the Judicial Council, the State Law Library, the law school of the University of Washington, or the administration of the state bar act by the Washington State Bar Association, as provided in chapter 126, Laws of 1921 and chapter 94, Laws of 1933.

Exceptions.

SEC. 5. If any section, clause, sentence or phrase of this act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this act, and the Legislature hereby declares it would have enacted this act if such section, clause, sentence or phrase were omitted.

Partial invalidity.

SEC. 6. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the state government and its existing

Effective immediately.

public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate February 25, 1941.

Passed the House March 1, 1941.

Approved by the Governor March 8, 1941.

CHAPTER 51.

[S. B. 137.]

OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK.

AN ACT relating to the Olympic National Park; saving to the state the right to control certain highways therein; and amending section 1, chapter 170, Laws of 1939 (section 8110-1, Remington's Revised Statutes (Supp.); section 7121-31 of Pierce's Code); and declaring an emergency.

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

Amendments. SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 170, Laws of 1939 (section 8110-1, Remington's Revised Statutes (Supp.); section 7121-31 of Pierce's Code), is amended to read as follows:

Olympic National Park ceded to U. S. SECTION 1. Exclusive jurisdiction shall be, and the same is hereby ceded to the United States over and within all the territory that is now included in that tract of land in the State of Washington, set aside for the purposes of a national park, and known as the Olympic National Park; saving, however, to the said state, the right to serve civil and criminal process within the limits of the aforesaid park, in suits or prosecutions for or on account of rights acquired, obligations incurred or crimes committed in said state, but outside of said park; and saving further to the said state the right to tax persons and corporations, their franchises and property on the lands included in said park: *Provided, however,* This jurisdiction shall not vest until the United States, through the proper officer, notifies the Gov-

Rights reserved.

Right to tax.

Notification of acceptance.