CHAPTER 146.

[H. B. 299.]

STATE DEPOSITARIES.

An Act relating to depositaries of public funds, and amending section 2 of chapter 139 of the Laws of 1935 (section 5549 of Remington's Revised Statutes.)

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

Amends § 5549, Rem. Rev. Stat. Section 1. That section 2 of chapter 139 of the Laws of 1935 (section 5549 of Remington's Revised Statutes) be amended to read as follows:

State depositaries.

Collateral enumerated.

Section 2. Every state depositary, before it shall be entitled to receive any state moneys, shall deposit with the State Treasurer securities hereinafter enumerated as collateral and pledge for the payment on demand or at a specified future date, to him or his order, free of exchange at any place designated by him, of all such moneys deposited with it and of interest thereon at the rate fixed by the State Finance Committee, if there has been no default in the payment of principal or interest thereon; (1) bonds, notes or other obligations constituting a general obligation of the United States, or any state thereof, or of the Home Owners Loan Corporation, a corporation organized under and by virtue of authority created in H. R. 5240, designated the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933, passed by the Congress of the United States, or for the bond of any other corporation which is or may be created by the United States as a governmental agency or instrumentality, or any other bond issued by the State of Washington; (2) direct and general obligation bonds, notes or warrants issued by any county, city, school district or port district of the State of Washington or of any other state of the United States having the power to levy taxes for the payment of principal and interest thereof; (3) bonds of any

municipality of the State of Washington for the payment of which the entire revenues of the city's water system, power and light system, or both, less maintenance and operating costs, are irrevocably pledged, even though such bonds are not general obligations of such city; (4) domestic railway, industrial and public utility bonds currently quoted on the New York stock exchange; and (5) local improvement bonds and warrants issued under chapter 26 of title 60 of this code (Rem. 1927, Supp. 9351-1, et seq.): Provided, however, That the state finance committee Bond. may accept from any depositary a good and sufficient bond of a surety company authorized to do business in the state, to be approved by said finance committee, as security and pledge for the payment on demand or at a specified future date to the State Treasurer or his order, free of exchange, at any place in this state designated by said Treasurer, of all such moneys deposited with it, and of interest thereon at the rate fixed by said state finance committee, which bond shall be at least equal to the amount of the moneys to be received by said depositary of said state.

The finance committee may require the State Investigation and report. Auditor or the Supervisor of Banking to thoroughly investigate and report to it concerning the condition of any bank which makes application to become a state depositary, and may also as often as it deems necessary require such investigation and report concerning the condition of any bank which may have been designated as such depositary, the expense of such investigation to be borne by the depositary examined.

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Passed the Senate March 9, 1939.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1939.