

employee shall be discharged for making such a complaint. Any employee so discharged shall have a right of action in a civil suit against his employer and shall recover damages not to exceed the amount of wages he would have earned but for the discharge.

SEC. 34. Should any employer operate any tool, equipment or machinery, or provide a working place in violation of this act or of a safety regulation, the employees shall have the right to refuse to work until the defect or condition is remedied, and there shall be no reduction of wages for the time lost, nor shall an employee or employees be discharged because of such refusal to continue working.

Vetoed.

Passed the House March 12, 1941.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1941.

Approved by the Governor March 24, 1941, with the exception of sections 33 and 34, which are vetoed.

CHAPTER 195.

[H. B. 422.]

COOPERATIVE MARKETING ASSOCIATIONS.

AN ACT relating to cooperative marketing associations, and amending sections 1 and 20 of chapter 115 of the Laws of 1921, section 6 of chapter 115 of the Laws of 1921, as amended by chapter 102 of the Laws of 1925, and section 17 of chapter 115 of the Laws of 1921, as amended by chapter 285 of the Laws of 1927.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1 of chapter 115 of the Laws of 1921 (section 2878 of Remington's Revised Statutes of Washington) be amended to read as follows:

Amendments.

Section 1. (a) The term "agricultural products" whenever used in this act shall include horticultural,

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viticultural, forestry, dairy, livestock, poultry, bee and farm products.

(b) The term "members" wherever used in this act shall include actual members of associations without capital stock and holders of common stock in associations organized with capital stock.

(c) The term "association" wherever used in this act means any corporation organized under this act.

(d) The term "person" wherever used in this act shall include individuals, firms, partnerships, corporations and associations.

Deemed non-profit.

Associations organized hereunder shall be deemed nonprofit, inasmuch as they are not organized to make profits for themselves as such, or for their members as stockholders, but only for their members as producers of agricultural products.

Amendments.

SEC. 2. That section 6 of chapter 115 of the Laws of 1921 as amended by chapter 102 of the Laws of 1925 (section 2883 of Remington's Revised Statutes of Washington) be amended to read as follows:

Only persons in production of product admitted as members.

Section 6. (a) Under the terms and conditions prescribed in its by-laws, any association may admit as members, or issue common stock only to persons engaged in the production of the agricultural products to be handled by or through the association, including the lessees and tenants of land used for the production of such products and any lessors and landlords who receive as rent part of the crop raised on the leased premises.

(b) If a member of a non-stock association be other than a natural person, such member may be represented by any individual, officer or member thereof, duly authorized in writing.

(c) Any association organized hereunder may become a member or stockholder of any other association or associations organized hereunder.

(d) Any member of an association organized under the provisions of this act who ceases to be actively engaged in the production for such association of any of the agricultural products, for the marketing of or dealing in which such association is organized, shall, upon the expiration of thirty days from the date he ceases the production of such agricultural products for the association and/or resigns his membership, be classified as an associate member.

Cessation of production forfeits membership.

Preferred stockholders engaged in the production of agricultural products shall have all the rights and privileges of active members except that of voting.

(e) Any association organized under the provisions of this act may purchase the stock or the membership of any associate member with any available funds of the association, whether surplus or not.

Association may purchase own stock.

SEC. 3. That section 17 of chapter 115 of the Laws of 1921 as amended by chapter 285 of the Laws of 1927 (section 2894 of Remington's Revised Statutes of Washington) be amended to read as follows:

Amendments.

Section 17. Each association formed under this act shall cause an annual audit to be made of its books by a certified public accountant or by a public accountant not continuously employed by such association. Copies of the report of such auditor shall be available to the members of said association and to the Director of Agriculture. In the event that one-tenth or more of the members of an association organized under this act made written demand upon the Director of Finance, Budget and Business for an audit by his department, said director is authorized, empowered and directed to cause an examination and audit to be made of the affairs and books of such association and in such event a charge of not more than ten dollars (\$10) per day and expenses for each examiner of said department shall be made to the association to pay the actual expense of making such examination and audit.

Annual audit

Audit may be made upon demand.

Fee of Director.

Amend-
ments.

SEC. 4. That section 20 of chapter 115 of the Laws of 1921 (section 2897 of Remington's Revised Statutes of Washington) be amended to read as follows:

May join
other agency
or association
for co-
operative
purpose.

Section 20. Any association may, upon resolution adopted by its board of directors, enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements and make all necessary and proper stipulations, agreements and contracts and arrangements with any other cooperative corporation, association or associations, formed in this or in any other state, for the cooperative and more economical carrying on of its business, or any part or parts thereof. Any two or more associations may, by agreement between them, unite in employing and using, or may separately employ and use the same methods, means and agencies for carrying on and conducting their respective businesses.

Passed the House March 12, 1941.

Passed the Senate March 12, 1941.

Approved by the Governor March 24, 1941.