

Treasurer
to handle
funds.

of the County Treasurer of the county in which any Rural County Library District is created under this act to receive and disburse all district revenues and to collect all taxes levied under this act.

Public
corporation.

A rural County Library District shall be a public corporation with such powers as are necessary to carry out its functions and for taxation purposes shall have the power vested in municipal corporations for such purposes.

Effective
immediately.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the state government and the existing public institutions of the state and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House February 27, 1943.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 22, 1943.

CHAPTER 252.

[S. B. 47.]

CODIFICATION OF STATUTES RELATING TO COUNTIES.

AN ACT relating to the codification of constitutional and statutory provisions relating to counties and county officers, and to the statutory law of the state in general; providing for the continuous revision and codification of statutes of a general and permanent nature; amending section 5, chapter 149, Laws of 1941; and further amending chapter 149, Laws of 1941 (sections 152-36 to 152-39, Rem. Supp. 1941), by adding thereto three (3) new sections to be known as sections 6, 7 and 8; making appropriation and declaring an emergency.

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

Amendments.

SECTION 1. Section 5, chapter 149, Laws of 1941, is amended to read as follows:

Continuing
committee.

Section 5. The Committee shall be a continuing Code Committee with full power of revision and codification of the laws above referred to, and shall

have the power and duty to assign code numbers to such general laws as shall hereafter be passed at any legislative session; and the said Committee shall certify to the Secretary of State the numbers given to the sections which the Committee has determined shall be incorporated in such code.

Assign code numbers.

SEC. 2. Chapter 149, Laws of 1941 (sections 152-36 to 152-39, Rem. Supp. 1941), is amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 6 and to read as follows:

Amendments.

Section 6. The said Committee shall have authority to employ and fix the compensation of an experienced attorney to make continuous studies of the statutes for the purpose of revising and simplifying the same, reconciling conflicting provisions, and eliminating obsolete statutes. The Committee shall also have authority to provide adequate clerical assistance and supplies, and to incur expenses incident to the work of said Committee. The duties to be performed under this paragraph shall be subject to the direction and supervision of the Committee. All vouchers for payments or expenditures of the Committee of every kind shall be approved by the Committee or by such member or members thereof as the Committee shall designate.

Committee to employ attorney.

Clerks and supplies.

Approve vouchers.

SEC. 3. Chapter 149, Laws of 1941 (sections 152-36 to 152-39, Rem. Supp. 1941), is amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 7 and to read as follows:

Amendments.

Section 7. The Committee shall not adopt any numbering system unless the owner thereof, whether the said system be patented or otherwise, shall first have filed in the office of the Secretary of State a written agreement, running to the State of Washington, and enforceable by any interested person, to the effect that said numbering system, if adopted, shall be available to, and may be used without charge or compensation, by any person who may at any

Agreement for free use.

time hereafter elect to publish the laws of this state, either in whole or in part.

Amendment
by adding
new section.

SEC. 4. Chapter 149, Laws of 1941 (sections 152-36 to 152-39, Rem. Supp. 1941), is amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 8 and to read as follows:

Collaboration
by request.

Section 8. If requested by the Committee, any department or official of the government of the State of Washington shall collaborate with the Committee in the revision and recompilation of the laws relating to or affecting such department official.

Collaborate
on county
code.

SEC. 5. The said Committee as part of its activities in collaboration with a committee of county officials (to be appointed by the Governor for that purpose, the number of which shall be at the discretion of the Governor, and the services of whom on such Committee are hereby declared to be official county business) shall cause to be prepared a compilation of all the constitutional and statutory provisions with respect to counties and county officers together with recommendations as to any revisions, amendments and additions which in the judgment of the Committee should be made to existing statutory provisions with respect to counties and county officers. Said constitutional provisions together with the statutory provisions in substance and form as recommended by said Committee shall be submitted to the 1945 legislature in such form that the legislature upon adoption thereof may cause the same to be printed in pamphlet form for the use of various county officials.

Appropriation.

SEC. 6. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the general fund not otherwise appropriated the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be used in carrying out the provisions of this act.

Effective
immediately.

SEC. 7. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and the support of the state government and its ex-

isting public institutions and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1943.

Passed the House March 11, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 22, 1943.

CHAPTER 253.

[H. B. 139.]

ROADS AND BRIDGES WITHIN STATE PARKS.

AN ACT relating to vehicular roads, highways and bridges within state parks, prescribing the powers and duties of certain officials and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. The Director of Highways is hereby authorized at the request of, and upon plans approved by the State Parks Committee, to construct and maintain vehicular roads, highways and bridges within the limits of the several state parks.

Director of
Highways to
build park
roads.

SEC. 2. There is hereby appropriated from the motor vehicle fund to the Department of Highways the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the maintenance and construction aforesaid, which sum shall be deducted before ascertaining the net tax amount in the motor vehicle fund to be credited to the incorporated cities and towns and to the counties of the State of Washington under the provisions of section 3, chapter 181, Laws of 1939 (section 6600-1e, Remington's Revised Statutes, Volume 7A).

Appropriation.

Passed the House March 4, 1943.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 23, 1943.