

Emergency.

Sec. 6. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the state government and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate February 13, 1967.

Passed the House February 11, 1967.

Approved by the Governor February 15, 1967.

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CHAPTER 9.

[Senate Bill No. 8.]

COUNTY BOUNDARY ADVISORY COMMISSION.

AN ACT relating to county boundaries; creating a county boundary advisory commission; prescribing powers, duties and functions; and authorizing counties to allocate funds.

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

Counties.  
Boundary ad-  
visory commit-  
tee—Purpose.

Section 1. Whereas many of the county boundaries in this state were defined and described by the territorial legislatures; and whereas many of the remaining boundaries were defined and described fifty or more years ago; and whereas such boundaries are by actual legal description or by actual location in conflict or are obscure or uncertain; and whereas such uncertainty is presenting turmoil and difficulties relating to assessments, legal jurisdiction, and other county and intercounty problems and functions; therefore it is necessary that the legislature enact this law to clarify boundaries and to resolve these uncertainties and conflicts.

Department of  
natural re-  
sources to co-  
operate with  
and assist  
boundary ad-  
visory com-  
mittee.

Sec. 2. The official state agency for surveys and maps in the department of natural resources shall review and examine county boundaries within the state with the cooperation and assistance of the county boundary advisory commission hereinafter created.

Sec. 3. There is hereby created a county boundary advisory commission of three members, composed of a representative of the college of engineering of the University of Washington to be appointed by the dean thereof, a representative of the college of engineering of Washington State University to be appointed by the dean thereof, and a member of the staff of the department of natural resources selected by the administrator of such department who shall serve as chairman of the commission. Members of the commission shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as are other state officials and employees: *Provided*, That such persons shall continue to receive their regular compensation from the state or university and such compensation shall not be affected by a reassignment of duties hereunder. Vacancies shall be filled as in case of original appointment.

Creation,  
members, ex-  
penses, terms.

Sec. 4. The commission may employ such expert, clerical and other assistants as may be necessary for the performance of its duties. The official state agency for surveys and maps and the two universities may supply such personnel, facilities, and supplies as they are able to do, and such agency through the administrator may supply such quarters as are necessary to carry this act into effect.

Employment of  
experts, cler-  
ical and other  
assistants—  
Quarters.

Sec. 5. The official state agency for surveys and maps together with the advisory commission may establish rules of procedures, conduct conferences and hearings as it deems advisable or necessary, shall seek the participation and cooperation of other state, county, or municipal agencies, and all interested and responsible organizations. All public officials and agencies may make available records, data, facilities, personnel, and information necessary for the purposes of this act.

County bound-  
ary advisory  
committees.  
Rules and reg-  
ulations—  
Access to  
records etc.

Reports and  
recommendations to  
legislature.

Sec. 6. The official state agency for surveys and maps together with the advisory commission shall study laws, facts, trends, make such surveys, appraisals, examinations, and investigate and review any other matters necessary to review, clarify and reestablish county boundaries, and shall make a report and recommendation together with such drafts of proposed legislation as they may deem necessary or desirable to the forty-first session of the legislature. Any dissenting member or members may submit a dissenting report.

Expenses,  
vouchers—  
Funds.

Sec. 7. All expenditures of the commission, and of participants from the official state agency of surveys and maps shall be paid upon vouchers approved by the administrator of the department of natural resources. Vouchers may be drawn upon any funds available or made available by the legislature for the purposes of this act or upon any contributions or gifts made available to the official state agency or the advisory commission from any source. Any governmental agency may provide services or such funds as may be lawfully provided for such purposes.

County  
participation,  
funds.

Sec. 8. Any interested counties are hereby authorized to allocate funds to the boundary advisory commission for the purpose of determining a boundary question involving a particular county.

Expiration.

Sec. 9. This act shall expire June 30, 1969.

Passed the Senate January 24, 1967.

Passed the House February 10, 1967.

Approved by the Governor February 17, 1967.