

SENATE BILL NO. 113

State of Washington
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By Senators Gissberg,
Sandison and Hess

Read first time January 18, 1961 and referred to Committee on State Government, Military Affairs and Civil Defense.

1 AN ACT Relating to Indian affairs; and adding a new section to chapter
2 20, pages 627-629, Laws of 1889-90 and to chapter 43.06 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 Section 1. There is added to chapter 20, pages 627-629, Laws
5 of 1889-90 and to chapter 43.06 RCW a new section to read as follows:

6 There is hereby created within the office of the governor the
7 office of Indian affairs. The governor shall appoint a director of
8 Indian affairs to serve at the governor's pleasure which director may
9 be an employee or official of the governor's.

10 The director shall: (1) Maintain files and records for the
11 purpose of information, surveying, and cataloguing of Indian affairs
12 including therein a record of all transactions, records, documents,
13 receipts, and all other materials obtained or created by any state,
14 county or municipal department, agency or official;

15 (2) Gather and disseminate information on all phases of Indian
16 affairs and current practices, procedures and laws applicable thereto;

17 (3) Act as the state's official liaison agency between state
18 and local agencies and officials and shall advise and counsel with the
19 citizens of this state as required.

20 For the purposes of this section the director shall have access
21 to all public records wherever kept: PROVIDED, That nothing in this
22 section shall be construed to permit the disclosure of materials re-
23 quired by state or federal law to be kept confidential.

24 The director shall report to the governor from time to time his
25 recommendations as to the improvement of the laws relating to Indian
26 affairs.

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