

## BILLS FILED IN STATE HOUSE PASS 500 MARK

### CREATION OF FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICTS AUTHORIZED UNDER NEW BILL FILED IN HOUSE

CAPITOL, Olympia, Feb. 12.—(AP) —Bill introductions in the house climbed over the 500 mark to a total of 512 today, or 57 more than were filed on the same day last session.

Chief among proposals offered in 30 bills, two memorials and one resolution were:

- 1—Creating of flood control districts.
- 2—Creation of a Washington toll bridge authority.
- 3—Establishment of a state system of health insurance.
- 4—Authorization for the governor to cause investigation of public officers not subject to impeachment.
- 5—Submission of a constitutional amendment for the California system of legislation.

The committee on flood control introduced the bill authorizing the creation and maintenance of flood control districts. The measure would permit the director of conservation and development to call a special election on petition of 50 per cent of the landowners in a district, and if approved by 60 per cent of the majority of votes cast, he would appoint a commission of three to supervise flood control.

The commission would have the power to set boundaries, fix a levy of assessments, issue bonds and enter into contracts with the United States government for flood control money.

Rep. Z. A. Vane (Pierce) and 32 other members signed a measure creating the Washington toll bridge authority, to be composed of the governor, auditor, director of public service, director of highways and the director of finance, business and budget.

The authority would have the power to issue bonds for construction of toll bridges, and would fix toll charges.