

providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency," approved March 27th, 1890, the same being section 508 of Vol. 1 of Hill's Code, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 16. When a petition signed by one hundred freeholders of a town, or two hundred freeholders of a city of the third class, is presented to the council of the corporation in which the signers reside, setting forth that they desire such town to be advanced to a city of the third class, or such city of the third class to a city of the second class, and that they have the population requisite for such advancement, the council shall cause notice to be given by the mayor as in other cases, that at the next annual election for officers of such city or town, or at a special election to be called for that purpose, the electors may vote for or against the advancement, their ballots to contain the words "For advancement" or the words "Against advancement."

Passed the Senate March 4, 1899.

Passed the House March 9, 1899.

Approved March 13, 1899.

CHAPTER LXI.

[S. B. No. 124.]

TO VALIDATE MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

AN ACT to establish the validity of the organization of municipal corporations incorporated under existing laws of the state, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Any municipal corporation which has been incorporated under the existing laws of this state shall be a valid municipal corporation notwithstanding a failure to publish the notice of the election held

or to be held for the purpose of determining whether such city should or shall become incorporated, for the length of time required by law governing such incorporation; *Provided*, a notice fulfilling in other respects the requirements of law shall have been published for one week prior to such election in a newspaper printed and published within the boundaries of the corporation.

SEC. 2. An emergency exists and therefore this act shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate February 21, 1899.

Passed the House March 9, 1899.

Approved March 13, 1899.

CHAPTER LXII.

[S. B. No. 138.]

RELIEF OF O. M. HIDDEN.

AN ACT for the relief of O. M. Hidden.

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

SECTION 1. The sum of one hundred and three dollars and fifty cents (\$103.50) is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated to pay O. M. Hidden for services rendered in drawing plans and specifications for water works and fences, and for superintendence and construction of the same, at the Washington school for defective youth, and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the said amount.

Passed the Senate February 17, 1899.

Passed the House March 9, 1899.

Approved March 13, 1899.