

CHAPTER 26.

[H. B. 38.]

CIVIL RIGHTS OF CONVICTED PERSONS.

AN ACT relating to the restoration of civil rights to persons convicted of infamous crimes.

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

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the superintendent of any penal institution of this state in which any person, heretofore or hereafter convicted of an infamous crime in any superior court of this state, is imprisoned, or shall have been imprisoned and released upon parole as provided by law, to certify to the governor, at any time, upon the written demand of the governor, and not more than sixty nor less than thirty days prior to the time when the maximum term of imprisonment, for which such person was committed, is to expire, a complete transcript of the commitment and of the record of the conduct of such person while imprisoned and on parole: *Provided*, That when any such person imprisoned in the Washington state reformatory or the Washington state reformatory for women shall have been granted an absolute release by the governor as provided by law, such transcript shall not be required prior to the expiration of the maximum term of imprisonment as above provided.

Superintendents of penal institutions to furnish record.

SEC. 2. Whenever the governor shall grant a pardon to a person convicted of an infamous crime, or shall grant an absolute release to any such person imprisoned in the Washington state reformatory as provided by law, and whenever the maximum term of imprisonment for which any such person was committed to the state penitentiary, the Washington state reformatory, or the Washington state reformatory for women, is about to expire or has

Governor may restore civil rights.

expired, the governor shall have the power, in his discretion, to restore to such person his civil rights in the manner as in this act provided.

Form of certificate for restoration of civil rights.

SEC. 3. Whenever the governor shall determine to restore his civil rights to any person convicted of an infamous crime in any superior court of this state, he shall execute and file in the office of the secretary of state an instrument in writing in substantially the following form:

“To the People of the State of Washington Greeting:

I, the undersigned Governor of the State of Washington, by virtue of the power vested in my office by the constitution and laws of the State of Washington, do by these presents restore to his civil rights forfeited by him (or her) by reason of his (or her) conviction of the crime of (naming it) in the Superior Court for the County of on, to-wit: the.....day of....., 19.....

Dated the day of, 19.....

(Signed)

Governor of Washington.”

Secretary of State to transmit copy to clerk superior court.

SEC. 4. Upon the filing of an instrument restoring civil rights in his office, it shall be the duty of the secretary of state to transmit a duly certified copy thereof to the clerk of the superior court named therein, who shall record the same in the journal of the court and index the same in the execution docket of the cause in which the conviction was had.

Certified copies to be issued by Secretary of State and clerk of superior court.

SEC. 5. The secretary of state and the clerk of the superior court, shall, upon demand and the payment of the fee required by law, issue a certified copy of any such instrument restoring civil rights filed in their respective offices, and every such certified copy shall be received in evidence as proof of

the fact therein stated, in any court and by all election officers.

Passed the House January 24, 1929.

Passed the Senate February 4, 1929.

Approved by the Governor February 13, 1929.

CHAPTER 27.

[H. B. 41.]

PASSENGER CARRIERS ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

AN ACT relating to actions for damages resulting from careless, negligent and unlawful acts of common carriers of passengers upon public highways or their agents or employes, and amending and repealing certain acts relating thereto.

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

SECTION 1. That section 3 of chapter 57 of the Laws of 1915, pages 228 to 229, (section 6384 of Remington's Compiled Statutes; section 237 of Pierce's Code) be amended to read as follows:

Amends
§ 6384 Rem.
Comp. Stat.;
§ 237
Pierce's
Code.

Section 3. Every person having a cause of action for damages against any person, firm, or corporation receiving a permit under the provisions of this act, for injury, damages or wrongful death caused by any careless, negligent or unlawful act of any such person, firm, or corporation or his, their, or its agents or employes in conducting or carrying on said business or in operating any motor propelled vehicle for the carrying and transporting of passengers over and along any public street, road or highway shall have a cause of action against the principal and surety upon the bond provided for in the preceding section for all damages sustained, and in any such action the full amount of damages sustained may be recovered against the principal, but the recovery against the surety shall be limited to the amount of the bond.

Action
against
passenger
carrier, and
surety on
bond.