

CHAPTER 241.

[H. B. 374.]

IRRIGATION DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to irrigation districts and the inclusion or exclusion of lands therein; amending section 52 of that certain act of 1890 entitled "Irrigating Districts; Organization and Government Of," at page 696 and section 55 of the same act as amended by section 42, chapter 129, Laws of 1921 (secs. 7479 and 7493, Rem. Rev. Stat.; secs. 679-357 and 679-363, PPC).

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

SECTION 1. Section 52 of that certain act of 1890 entitled "Irrigating Districts; Organization and Government Of," at page 696 (sec. 7479, Rem. Rev. Stat.; sec. 679-357, PPC) is amended to read as follows:

Change of
boundaries
of districts.

Section 52. The Board of Directors, if they deem it not for the best interests of the district that a change of its boundaries be so made as to include therein the lands mentioned in the petition, shall order that the petition be rejected. But if they deem it for the best interests of the district that the boundaries of said district be changed, and if no person interested in said district, or the proposed change of its boundaries, shows cause in writing why the proposed change should not be made, or if, having shown cause, withdraws the same, the Board may order that the boundaries of the district be so changed as to include therein the lands mentioned in said petition, or some part thereof. The order shall describe the boundaries of lands included, as aforesaid; and for that purpose the Board may cause a survey to be made of such portions of such boundary as is deemed necessary and may at its option redefine the boundaries of the district, or so much of the same as it deems advisable.

SEC. 2. Section 55 of that certain act of 1890 entitled "Irrigating Districts; Organization and Gov-

ernment Of," as amended by section 42, chapter 129, Laws of 1921, is amended to read as follows:

Section 55. If at any such election a majority of all the votes cast shall be against exclusion the Board shall deny and dismiss said petition and proceed no further in said matter; but if in the case of a petition for the exclusion of lands from a district a majority of such votes be in favor of the exclusion of said lands from the district, the Board shall thereupon order that the said lands mentioned in said resolution be excluded from the district; if in the case of a petition for the exclusion of a former district from a consolidated district, a majority of the votes cast in such former district shall be against exclusion, or a majority of the votes cast in the remaining portion of the consolidated district shall be against exclusion, the Board shall deny and dismiss the petition and proceed no further in the matter; but if in the case of a petition for such exclusion of a former district a majority of the votes cast in such former district and a majority of the votes cast in the remaining portion of the consolidated district shall be in favor of the exclusion of such former district, the Board shall thereupon order that the lands comprising such former district be excluded from the consolidated district and that such former district shall be and is re-established as an irrigation district created and established under the provision of this chapter and that the title to all property formerly belonging to, and all property within the boundaries of said former district, shall be and is vested in such re-established district, and shall call an election to be held in such re-established district for the election of a Board of Directors thereof, and direct the publication of notices of such election in the manner provided in

Action of
Board after
election.

Publication
of notices.

this chapter for the publication of notice of special elections. The Board entering such order shall continue to administer the affairs of such re-established district until the directors elected at such election shall have qualified.

Description
of bounda-
ries in order.

The said order excluding land from a district shall describe the boundaries of the lands excluded, should the exclusion change the boundaries of the district, and in case of the exclusion of a former district from a consolidated district, shall describe the boundaries of the re-established district and the boundaries of the district remaining; and for that purpose the Board may cause a survey to be made of such portions of the boundaries as the Board may deem necessary.

Passed the House March 4, 1947.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1947.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1947.

CHAPTER 242.

[H. B. 387.]

VALIDATION—BONDS AND OBLIGATIONS.

AN ACT validating, ratifying, approving, and confirming certain bonds and other instruments or obligations heretofore issued; validating, ratifying, approving, and confirming certain proceedings heretofore taken by public bodies for public works projects; and declaring an emergency.

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

Definition
of "public
body."

SECTION 1. As used in this act, the term "public body" means any city, town, district or other governmental agency created by or under the laws of this state.

SEC. 2. All bonds heretofore issued for the purpose of financing or aiding in the financing of any work, undertaking, or project by any public body, including all proceedings for the authorization and