

CHAPTER 357.

[H. B. 510.]

MINING CLAIMS.

AN ACT relating to the manner of locating and holding of lode mining claims; amending section 3, chapter 45, Laws of 1899 and RCW 78.08.070; and repealing section 9, chapter 45, Laws of 1899 and RCW 78.08.130; and amending section 6, chapter 45, Laws of 1899 and RCW 78.08.081.

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

Amendment. SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 45, Laws of 1899 and RCW 78.08.070 are each amended to read as follows:

Any open cut, excavation or tunnel which cuts or exposes a lode and from which a total of two hundred cubic feet of material has been removed or in lieu thereof a test hole drilled on the lode to a minimum depth of twenty feet from the collar, shall hold the lode the same as if a discovery shaft were sunk thereon, and shall be equivalent thereto.

Repeal. SEC. 2. Section 9, chapter 45, Laws of 1899 and RCW 78.08.130 are each repealed.

Amendment. SEC. 3. Section 6, chapter 45, Laws of 1899 and RCW 78.08.081 are each amended to read as follows:

Within thirty days after the expiration of the period of time fixed for the performance of annual labor or the making of improvements upon any quartz or lode mining claim or premises, the person in whose behalf such work or improvement was made or some person for him knowing the facts, shall make and record in the office of the county auditor of the county wherein such claims are situate an affidavit or oath of labor performed on such claim. Such affidavit shall state the exact amount and kind of labor, including the number of feet of shaft, tunnel or open cut made on such claim, or any other kind of improvements allowed by law or by rules of mining districts made thereon. Such

Affidavit of labor performed; recording and contents of.

affidavit shall contain the section, township and range in which such lode is located if the location be in a surveyed area.

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Approved by the Governor March 21, 1955.

CHAPTER 358.

[H. B. 546.]

WATER DISTRICTS—BOUNDARIES IDENTICAL WITH MUNICIPALITY.

AN ACT relating to water districts and to municipalities; and adding a new section to chapter 57.04 RCW and a new section to chapter 80.40 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 57.04 RCW, New section. a new section to read as follows:

A water district whose boundaries are identical with the boundaries of an incorporated town may be dissolved by summary dissolution proceedings if the water district is free from all debts and liabilities except contractual obligations between the district and the town. Summary dissolution shall take place if the board of commissioners of the water district votes unanimously to dissolve the district and to turn all of its property over to the town within which the district lies, and the council of such town unanimously passes an ordinance accepting the conveyance of the property and assets of the district tendered to the town by the water district. Summary dissolution proceedings.

Prerequisites to dissolution.

SEC. 2. There is added to chapter 80.40 RCW, a New section. new section to read as follows:

A town, whose boundaries are identical with those of a water district which is free from all debts and liabilities except contractual obligations between