

library is essentially defective and insufficient: therefore, an Emergency. emergency is declared to exist, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

Approved March 8, 1893.

CHAPTER LXIV.

[S. B. No. 117.]

TO SECURE SECRECY IN THE TRANSMISSION OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE MESSAGES.

AN ACT to secure secrecy in the transmission of telegraph and telephone messages.

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

SECTION 1. That whoever shall willfully and maliciously cut, break, tap, or make any connection with, or read, or copy, by the use of telegraph or telephone instruments or otherwise, in any unauthorized manner, any message, either social or business, sporting, commercial or other news reports, from any telegraph or telephone line, wire, or cable, so unlawfully cut or tapped, in this state, or make unauthorized use of the same, or who shall willfully and maliciously prevent, obstruct or delay by any means or contrivance whatsoever, the sending, conveyance or delivery, in this state, of any authorized communication, sporting, commercial or other news reports, by or through any telegraph or telephone line, cable or wire under the control of any telegraph or telephone company doing business in this state, or who shall willfully and maliciously aid, agree with, employ or conspire with any other person or persons to do any of the aforementioned unlawful acts, shall be deemed guilty of felony, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than three thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for a period of not less than one nor more than five years; or by Penalty.

both fine and imprisonment within the limits hereinbefore specified, at the discretion of the court.

SEC. 2. Prosecutions under this act shall be by information or indictment in any court having criminal jurisdiction.

Approved March 8, 1893.

CHAPTER LXV.

[H. B. No. 94.]

RELATING TO FORMATION OF NEW SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

AN ACT concerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another.

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

SECTION 1. In forming new districts or transferring territory from one district to another or changing boundaries of districts, no school district shall be cut down to less than four sections of land unless said district can support six months' school per year after deduction of territory. All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved March 9, 1893.