

CHAPTER 149.

[S. B. No. 138.]

PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN LIENS UPON STEAMSHIPS, VESSELS AND BOATS, BY TUGBOAT COMPANIES, STEVEDORES AND OTHERS.

AN ACT creating a lien upon steamships, vessels and boats in favor of tugboat companies, stevedores and others, and providing for the enforcement thereof.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever the owner, charterer, or any person or corporation operating, managing or controlling any steamship, vessel or boat shall wilfully fail, neglect or refuse to carry out or perform any express contract or portion thereof for the towing, loading, unloading, dunnaging or stevedoring of such steamship, vessel or boat, any person or persons, firm or corporation sustaining thereby any loss or damage which is capable of definite ascertainment shall have a lien upon such steamship, vessel or boat for said loss or damage. The rank and priority of the lien hereby created and the manner of its enforcement shall be fixed, controlled and regulated by the provisions of the existing law pertaining to liens for similar services already performed.

Passed the Senate February 13, 1903.

Passed the House March 10, 1903.

(Note by the Secretary of State).—The above act was filed in this office on the 16th day of March, 1903, without the approval or disapproval of the Governor thereof.

SAM H. NICHOLS,
Secretary of State.