

for such purposes and upon which a state inheritance tax is claimed or is owing is hereby declared to be exempt from the payment for such tax.

Passed the House February 24, 1921.

Passed the Senate March 2, 1921.

Approved by the Governor March 8, 1921.

CHAPTER 52.

[H. B. 42.]

DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to drainage districts, the election and terms of office of commissioners thereof, and amending section 1947-6 Pierce's Code.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1947-6 Pierce's Code (section 4142 Rem. & Bal. Code) be amended to read as follows:

Section 1947-6. A general election for the election of a board of drainage commissioners of such district shall be held upon the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March, 1922, and annually thereafter. The term of office of commissioners shall be for three years and until their successors are elected and qualified, but of the commissioners elected at the first election held under the provisions of this act the commissioner receiving the highest number of votes shall hold office for three years. The commissioner receiving the second highest number of votes shall hold office for two years, and the commissioner receiving the third highest number of votes shall hold office for one year. The term of office shall begin on the first Monday of the following April, and such election shall be held in accordance with the general election laws of the state of Washington for the election of county

General election.

and state officers, and the expenses thereof shall be defrayed by said district, and the judges, clerks and inspectors of said election shall each receive as compensation for the services rendered at such election the sum of two dollars per day: *Provided*, That at least thirty days' notice immediately preceding any such general election shall be given thereof by the board of commissioners of such drainage district, by posting the same in four public places within said district. Said notice shall contain the names of two electors of said district as judges of said election and the name of one elector of said district as inspector thereof, the same to be chosen by said board of commissioners. Said board of commissioners shall be a canvassing board to canvass the vote of each election, and they shall meet the day following such election and canvass said votes and declare the result thereof and issue certificates of election.

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CHAPTER 53.

[H. B. 190.]

PREVENTION OF PROCREATION.

AN ACT to prevent the procreation of feeble minded, insane, epileptic, habitual criminals, moral degenerates and sexual perverts, who may be inmates of institutions maintained by the State, authorizing and providing for the sterilization of persons with inferior hereditary potentialities and providing for appeals to the Superior Courts in certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. It shall be and is hereby declared the duty of the superintendents of all state institutions having the care of individuals held in restraint to re-

Superintendents of institutions to make reports.