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Sec. 4. All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

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CHAPTER LVIII.

[H. B. No. 217.]

AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF INDEBTEDNESS IN CASES OF CONSOLIDATION OF CITIES OR TOWNS.

An Act authorizing cities and towns, in cases where any such city or town has been or may hereafter be formed by the consolidation of two or more former cities or towns, or has annexed or may hereafter annex any new territory, and where the corporate authorities of either such former city or town, or of such city or town prior to such annexation, attempted to incur indebtedness on its part in excess of their legal authority, to submit to the voters of such consolidated or existing city or town propositions to fund indebtedness thereof by the issuing of bonds therefor, at the same election at which said previous attempted incurring of such indebtedness or any [part] thereof, on the part of either such former city or town or of such city or town prior to such annexation, may be ratified, or at a separate election; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. If, in any case where any city or town in this state has been or may hereafter be formed by the consolidation of two or more cities or towns, or has annexed or may hereafter annex any new territory, an election shall be held, in accordance with the constitution and laws of this state, for the purpose of submitting to the voters residing within the former corporate limits of either such former city or town, or of such city or town prior to such annexation, for ratification or disapproval, the attempted incurring on the part of such former city or town or of such city or town prior to such annexation by the corporate authorities thereof, of any indebtedness thereof, such consolidated or existing city or town may submit to all the voters therein, at the same or a separate election, any prop-
osition to fund such indebtedness so sought to be ratified or any part thereof or any existing indebtedness of such consolidated or existing city or town, or both. The proposition to ratify any such indebtedness so previously attempted to be incurred on the part of either such former city or town, or on the part of such city or town prior to such annexation, and the proposition to fund the same may be submitted, respectively, to the voters residing within the corporate limits of such former city or town or in such city or town prior to such annexation, and to all the voters in such consolidated city or town, respectively, in the same or in separate ordinances, as may be required or permitted by law; but the proposition to fund shall be the subject of a distinct vote in favor of or against the same, separate from the vote upon the proposition to ratify; and separate from the vote upon a proposition to fund any part of such indebtedness as to which a proposition to ratify is not submitted.

Sec. 2. If at any such election any such indebtedness so proposed to be ratified shall be validated in accordance with the requirements of the constitution and laws of this state, any vote cast at the same or a separate election in accordance with the requirements of section one of this act, upon a proposition to fund such indebtedness so validated, by the issuing of bonds therefor, shall have the same effect as an assent to or dissent from the funding of such indebtedness, as if such indebtedness had been validated previously to the passage of the ordinance submitting such proposition to fund the same.

Sec. 3. Any alteration or division of any existing election precinct or precincts in such consolidated or existing city or town, and any segregation of the names of voters registered for the current year in the existing registration lists in such consolidated or existing city or town, and any new poll books of registration, and any further registration in such new poll books, which may be made for the purposes of any such election held to submit a question of ratification, as aforesaid, in accordance with any law authorizing such election to submit such question of ratification, shall so far as applicable govern the holding of the
election herein authorized to submit a proposition or propositions to fund. The city council or other legislative body of such consolidated or existing city or town shall, in the ordinance providing for the election herein authorized, or in a separate ordinance or ordinances, appoint inspectors and judges of such election for the several precincts in said city or town, and prescribe the form of the ballot to be used at such election, and the mode of the voter's indicating thereon his vote for or against each proposition submitted. Said provisions shall be made in conformity with the existing registration and election laws of the state as nearly as may be, but the provisions hereof shall prevail over existing laws so far as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act; and the election herein authorized shall be conducted and the result thereof canvassed and declared in accordance with the general laws of the state as modified by this act, and in accordance with said provisions to be made in pursuance hereof.

SEC. 4. An emergency exists for the immediate operation of this act; therefore, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

Approved March 8, 1893.

CHAPTER LIX.

[H. B. No. 263.]

TO PREVENT MAKING OF DEFICIENCIES IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

AN ACT to prevent the making of deficiencies in the public institutions and departments of the State of Washington, and providing for an emergency board.

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

SECTION 1. That in case of an emergency requiring the expenditure of a greater sum of money than the amount appropriated by the legislature for any institution or department established by the laws of this state, or requiring