CHAPTER CXXVI.

[ H. B. No. 533.]

RELATING TO PUBLIC SEWERS AND DRAINS.

AN ACT authorizing cities and towns, other than cities of the first class, to construct sewers and drains within assessment districts, and to levy and collect special assessments and taxes to pay therefor, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That all cities and towns within the state, other than cities of the first class, where such cities are now or may hereafter be empowered to construct sewers or drains, may do so either by the entire city or by assessment districts, as the mayor and council of said city may determine.

SEC. 2. Before letting any contract for the construction of any sewer or drain, or system of sewerage or drainage, the mayor and council shall by ordinance or resolution adopt the plans therefor and shall fix and establish the assessment district, if the same is to be constructed at the expense of a district, and such cities and towns are hereby authorized to charge the expense of such sewer or drain to all the property included within such district which is contiguous or approximate to any street in which any main pipe or lateral pipe of such sewer, drain or sewer system is to be placed, and to levy special taxes upon such property to pay therefor, which assessment and tax shall be levied in accordance with the last general assessment of the property within said district for city purposes.
Sec. 3. That the purpose of providing for constructing and maintaining such sewer, drain or sewer system, and issuing bonds to pay therefor, such cities and towns are hereby authorized to proceed in all ways in accordance with, and apply all the provisions of, an act of the legislature of this state, entitled "An act relating to internal improvements in cities, authorizing the issuance and collection of bonds upon the property benefited by local improvements, and declaring an emergency," approved March 9th, 1893, and of any and all other laws now in force or which may be hereafter enacted relating to the levy and collection of special assessments and taxes.

Sec. 4. Whereas, in many cities and towns no adequate provision is made in the charter or laws providing for the organization and government of such cities and towns for the construction of sewers and drains, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

Passed the House March 8, 1899.
Passed the Senate March 9, 1899.
Approved March 14, 1899.

CHAPTER CXXVII.
[H. B. No. 431.]
RELATING TO HORTICULTURE.

AN ACT to amend sections 4, 12 and 14, Chapter 109, page 308, Session Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to promote and protect the fruit growing and horticultural interests of the State of Washington, to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of horticulture; to repeal certain laws in conflict therewith" approved March 17, 1897, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That section 4 of an act entitled "An act to promote and protect the fruit growing and horticultu-