CHAPTER 123.
[H. B. No. 309.]

MAKING IT A FELONY FOR A HUSBAND TO CONNIVE AT
THE PROSTITUTION OF HIS WIFE AND PROVIDING
PUNITON THEREFOR.

AN ACT relating to husbands who connive at the prostitution of
their wives and to persons who live off or accept the earnings
of prostitutes, or solicit persons to go to houses of ill-fame
for immoral purposes, or who permit or solicit females under
eighteen years of age to enter any house of ill-fame, or other
houses for immoral purposes, declaring the violation hereof a
felony and fixing a punishment.

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

SECTION 1. Every man who by force, intimidation,
threats, persuasion, promises, or any other means, places
or leaves, or procures any other person or persons, to place
or leave, his wife in a house of prostitution, or connives at,
or consents or permits, the placing or leaving of his wife in
a house of prostitution, or allows or permits her to remain
therein, is guilty of a felony, and shall be punished, upon
conviction thereof, by imprisonment in the penitentiary for
not less than one year or more than ten years; and in all
prosecutions under this section the wife shall be a compe-
tent witness against her husband.

Sec. 2. Any male person who lives with, or who lives
off of, in whole or in part, or accepts any of the earnings of
a prostitute, or connives in or solicits or attempts to solicit
any male person or persons to have sexual intercourse, or
cohabit with a prostitute, or who shall invite, direct or sol-
icit any person to go to a house of ill-fame for any immoral
purpose; or any person who shall entice, decoy, place, take
or receive any female child or person under the age of
eighteen years, into any house of ill-fame or disorderly
house, or any house, for the purpose of prostitution; or any
person who, having in his or her custody or control such
child, shall dispose of it to be so received, or to be received
in or for any obscene, indecent or immoral purpose, exhibi-
tion or practice, shall be deemed guilty of a felony and upon
conviction thereof shall be imprisoned in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than five years, and fined in any sum not less than one thousand dollars nor more than five thousand dollars.

Passed the House March 9, 1903.
Passed the Senate March 11, 1903.
Approved by the Governor March 16, 1903.

CHAPTER 124.
[H. B. No. 140.]
AMENDING BALLINGER'S CODE RELATIVE TO ASSESSMENTS FOR LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS IN CITIES.

AN ACT to amend Section 1 of an act entitled "An act amending Section 943 of Ballinger's Code and Statutes of Washington, relating to assessments to local improvements," approved March 16, 1901.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1 of an act entitled "An act amending section 943 of Ballinger's Codes and Statutes of Washington, relating to local improvements," approved March 16, 1901, be amended to read as follows: 

The city council are hereby authorized and empowered to order any work authorized by this chapter to be done upon the streets, alleys, avenues, highways and public places of such city. The expense or cost of improving and repairing streets, side walks, alleys, squares or other public highways and places within the city, removing obstructions therefrom, grading, planking, paving, macadamizing, graveling and curbing the same and planting, setting out and cultivating of shade trees therein, and constructing gutters, culverts and sidewalks therein, shall be assessed as follows:

The city council shall before grading, paving or other improvement of any street or alley, the cost of which is to be levied and assessed upon the property benefited, first pass