

CHAPTER 45.

[H. B. No. 59.]

DEFINING CRIMINAL ANARCHY AND PRESCRIBING
PENALTY THEREFOR.

AN ACT defining criminal anarchy, and prescribing penalties for those who advocate, advise or teach criminal anarchy, or cause or permit the publication of the doctrines thereof, or who participate in an assemblage of anarchists.

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

Definition of
criminal
anarchy.

SECTION 1. Criminal anarchy is the doctrine that organized government should be overthrown by force or violence, or by assassination of the executive head or of any of the executive officials of government, or by any unlawful means.

Unlawful to
advocate,
teach or
spread
doctrines.

SEC. 2. Any person who, by word of mouth or writing, advocates, advises or teaches the duty, necessity or propriety of overthrowing or overturning organized government by force or violence, or by assassination of the executive head, or any of the executive officials of government, or by any unlawful means; or, prints, publishes, edicts [edits], issues or knowingly circulates, sells, distributes or publicly displays any book, paper, document or written or printed matter in any form, containing or advocating, advising or teaching the doctrine that organized government should be overthrown by force, violence or any unlawful means; or openly, wilfully and deliberately justifies by word of mouth or writing the assassination or unlawful killing or assaulting of any executive or other officer of the United States or of any state or of an [any] civilized nation having an organized government, or the committing of any other crime, with intent to teach, spread or advocate the doctrines of criminal anarchy; or organizes or helps to organize or becomes a member of or voluntarily assembles with any society, group or assembly of persons formed to teach or advocate such doctrines, is guilty of a felony and punishable by imprisonment for not more than ten years, or by a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both.

Unlawful to
organize so-
cieties, etc.

Penalty.

Editor or
publisher of
book or
newspaper.

SEC. 3. Every editor or proprietor of a book, newspaper or serial and every manager of a partnership or incorporated association by which a book, newspaper or serial is

issued, is chargeable with the publication of any matter contained in such book, newspaper or serial. But in every prosecution therefor, the defendant may show in his defense that the matter complained of was published without his knowledge by another who had no authority from him to make the publication and whose act was disavowed by him as soon as known.

SEC. 4. Whenever two or more persons assemble for the purpose of advocating or teaching the doctrines of criminal anarchy, as defined in section 1 of this act, such assembly is unlawful, and every person voluntarily participating therein by his presence, aid or instigation, is guilty of a felony and punishable by imprisonment for not more than ten years, or by a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both.

Passed the House February 19, 1903.

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Approved by the Governor March 7, 1903.

CHAPTER 46.

[H. B. No. 201.]

REQUIRING STATEMENTS OF FACTS AND EVIDENCE IN CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE OF WASHINGTON.

AN ACT to require statements of fact and evidence produced in support of claims made to the Legislature against the State for money or property and to perpetuate the record of the same.

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

SECTION 1. That all claims hereafter made to the Legislature against the State of Washington for money or property, shall be accompanied by a statement of the facts on which such claim is based and such evidence as the claimant intends to offer in support thereof. Legislative committees to whom such claims are referred shall make a transcript or statement of the substance of the evidence given in support of such claim; such statement, together with the