

CHAPTER 214.

[H. B. 501.]

APPROPRIATION FOR LEGISLATIVE PRINTING.

AN ACT appropriating the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay for printing ordered, or which may be ordered by the Tenth Legislature or either branch thereof.

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

Appropriation \$3,500.

SECTION 1. That there be and there is hereby appropriated out of the funds of the State of Washington not otherwise appropriated the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars to pay for printing ordered, or which may be ordered by the Tenth Legislature, or either branch thereof, such printing to be done under the provisions of the act of the Legislature approved March 11, 1905.

Passed the House March 9th, 1907.

Passed the Senate March 14th, 1907.

Approved by the Governor March 15th, 1907.

CHAPTER 215.

[S. B. 207.]

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

AN ACT to amend sections 1716 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, relating to the board of equalization and defining its duties.

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

Personnel of Board.

SECTION 1. That section 1716 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 1716. The State Auditor, Commissioner of Public Lands, and the State Board of Tax Commissioners shall constitute the State Board of Equalization. The State Auditor shall be president of the Board, and they shall remain in session not to exceed twenty (20) days; may adjourn from

day to day, and employ such clerical assistance as may be deemed necessary to facilitate its labors: *Provided*, That the expense of such Board shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) in any one year. The said Board shall meet annually, on the first Monday in September, at the office of the State Board of Tax Commissioners, and shall examine and compare the returns of the assessment of the property in the several counties of the State, and proceed to equalize the same, so that each county in the State shall pay its due and just proportion of the taxes for State purposes for such assessment year, according to the ratio the valuation of the property in each county bears to the total valuation of all property in the State.

Expenses.

Sessions.

First.—They shall classify all property, real and personal, and shall raise and lower the valuation of any class of property in any county to a value, and shall be equal and uniform, so far as possible, in every part of the State, for the purpose of ascertaining the just amount of tax due from each county for State purposes.

Classification of property.

Second.—The secretary shall keep a full record of the proceedings of the Board, and the same shall be published annually by said State Board of Tax Commissioners and also be published in the biennial report of the said State Board of Tax Commissioners.

Record of proceedings.

Third.—They shall have authority to adopt rules and regulations for the government of the Board, and to enforce obedience to its orders in all matters in relation to the returns of county assessments, and the equalization of values by said Board. The said Board of equalization shall apportion the amount of tax for State purposes as required by law, to be raised in the State among the several counties therein, in proportion to the valuation of the taxable property therein for the year as equalized by the Board, and shall also ascertain the gross amounts justly due from each county for military, State bond interest, and State bond sinking fund taxes, at rates and limitations fixed by law. It shall be the duty of the county auditor in each county when he shall have received the report of

Rules.

Apportionment of tax among counties.

the State Auditor, as provided in section 61 of this act, to determine the rates per cent. necessary to raise the taxes required for State purposes as determined by the State Board of Equalization, and place the same on the tax rolls of the county as provided by law.

Passed the Senate February 26th, 1907.

Passed the House March 9th, 1907.

Approved by the Governor March 16th, 1907.

CHAPTER 216.

[S. B. 228.]

GRANTING RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR LAKE WASHINGTON CANAL.

AN ACT granting to the United States of America a right of way for Lake Washington Canal in King county through lands and shore lands belonging to the state of Washington or the University of Washington and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That a right-of-way of not exceeding five hundred (500) feet in width is hereby granted to the United States of America through any lands or shore lands belonging to the State of Washington, or to the University of Washington, and lying in King county between Lakes Union and Washington, or in or adjoining either of them, the southern boundary of such right-of-way on the upland to be coincident with the southern boundary of the lands now occupied by the University of Washington adjacent to the present right-of-way of said canal; the width and definite location of such right-of-way before the same is taken possession of by said United States shall be plainly and completely platted and a plat thereof approved by the Secretary of War of the United States filed in the office of the State Land Commissioner: *Provided*, That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to repeal or impair any right, interest, privilege or grant expressed or intended in the act of the Legislature of the State of Washington approved February 8, 1901, entitled,

Grant to
United
States of
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