CHAPTER 227.

[W. H. 430.]

WATER SUPPLY OF CITIES AND TOWNS.

AN ACT to amend an act entitled "An act to preserve from pollution the water supplied to the inhabitants of cities and towns in the state of Washington; to declare what are nuisances in the vicinity of the source of such water supply; providing for the abatement thereof, and for the punishment of the violations of this act, approved March 13, 1899," and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1 of an act entitled "An Act to preserve from pollution the water supplied to the inhabitants of cities and towns in the State of Washington; to declare what are nuisances in the vicinity of the source of such water supply; providing for the abatement thereof, and for the punishment of the violations of this act, approved March 13, 1899," is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1. That for the purpose of protecting the water furnished to the inhabitants of towns and cities within this State from pollution, the said towns and cities are hereby given jurisdiction over all property occupied by the works, reservoirs, systems, springs, branches and pipes, by means of which, and of all the lakes, rivers, springs, streams, creeks or tributaries constituting the sources of supply from which such cities or towns or the companies or individuals furnishing water to the inhabitants of such cities or towns obtain their supply of water, or store or conduct the same, and over all property acquired for any of the foregoing works or purposes or for the preservation and protection of the purity of the water supply, and over all property within the areas draining into the lakes, rivers, springs, streams, creeks or tributaries constituting such sources of supply whether the same, or any thereof, be within the corporate limits of such town or city or outside thereof; and authority is hereby conferred upon such towns and cities to prescribe by ordinance what acts shall constitute offenses against the purity of such water.
supply and the punishment or penalties therefor and to enforce said ordinances; and the mayor of such town or city is hereby authorized to appoint special policemen, with such compensation as the proper authorities of said town or city may fix, who shall, after taking oath, have the powers of constables under the laws of this state, and who may arrest with or without warrant any person committing, within the territory over which such town or city is given jurisdiction by this act, any offense declared by law of this State, or by any ordinance of such town or city, against the purity of such water supply, or any violation of any rule or regulation lawfully promulgated by the State Board of Health for the protection of the purity of such water supply. Such policeman shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to forthwith take any such person arrested for any such offense or violation aforesaid, before any court having jurisdiction thereof to be proceeded with according to law. Every such special policeman shall, when on duty, wear in plain view a badge or shield bearing the words "Special Police" and the name of the town or city for which he shall be appointed as aforesaid.

Sec. 2. An emergency exists and this act shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House March 5th, 1907.
Passed the Senate March 14th, 1907.
Approved by the Governor March 16th, 1907.