CHAPTER 49.

[S. B. 76.]

CONSTRUCTION OF RESIDENCE FOR THE GOVERNOR.

An Act providing for the purchase of site, construction and furnishing of a residence for the Governor of the State of Washington, appropriating the sum of $35,000 therefor.

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

Section 1. That for the purpose of erecting and completing a residence for the use of the Governor of the State of Washington at the city of Olympia, in said state, there is hereby created a board, to be known as the “State Building Commission.” Said commission shall consist of three members, to be composed of the Governor, State Treasurer and State Auditor, said officers to serve without compensation other than their official salaries now provided by law. The Governor shall be chairman of said commission.

Section 2. The purchase of a suitable site, construction and erection of said residence, the letting of the contracts therefor, and the expenditure of all moneys for the construction and furnishing thereof, shall be under the control and direction of said commission: Provided, That if the title of the State of Washington to that tract of land known as the “old capitol site” in Olympia is confirmed by the Supreme Court in the case now pending therein, then and in that event, the Governor’s residence shall be erected upon some portion of said tract to be selected by the State Building Commission.

Section 3. The said Commission shall let contracts for the erection of the Governor’s residence, and the furnishing of the same, and shall pay all expenses incident thereto. It may employ a superintendent of construction, clerk or other necessary employes, at salaries to be fixed by the Commission, to be paid out of the appropriation herein provided, and approved by them. It may offer prizes for competitive plans, and the Commission shall be allowed the necessary contingent expenses incurred in the prosecution of its duties, but such salaries, prizes and expenses, to-
gether with the cost of site, construction and furnishing of said building shall not in the aggregate exceed the amount herein appropriated.

Sec. 4. The Governor's residence herein provided for shall be of stone, or other permanent material; and it shall be completed and ready for occupancy on or before the first day of June, A. D. nineteen hundred and nine.

Warrants.

Sec. 5. The said Commission shall not proceed herein in the purchase of site, construction or completion of said Governor's residence until the warrants upon the state capitol building fund for the entire amount herein appropriated in the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, are sold at not less than par, and the proceeds thereof placed with the Treasurer of the state.

Report.

Sec. 6. Upon the erection, completion and furnishing of said Governor's residence, said Commission shall make a full report of their acts and expenditures to the next session of the Legislature of the State of Washington.

Sec. 7. There is hereby appropriated out of the state capitol fund, for the purchase of site, construction and completion of said Governor's residence, and furnishing of same, and all expenses incident thereto the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Sec. 8. In order to facilitate the sale of warrants and prevent the sacrifice of state lands donated by the general government for the purpose of erecting public buildings at the state capital, the State of Washington hereby guarantees the interest on warrants hereafter issued under the provisions of this act: Provided, however, That said interest shall not exceed five per cent. per annum and be due and payable annually upon the first day of April of each year, upon the presentation of the warrants at the office of the State Treasurer.

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