

Transcribing. by a person or persons under contract, who shall receive said contract after bids for said work shall have been advertised and the contract given to the best bidder, all records so transcribed shall be certified by the officer of the respective offices from which said records shall be transcribed, under the seal of his office, in the manner following, to wit: Each book of transcribed records shall be certified to be a correct transcript of the records of Stevens county, contained therein, and each officer so certifying shall finally certify to the completeness of all records as transcribed from his office. All expense incurred by the county of Stevens in comparing and certifying the records required to be transcribed under the provisions of this act shall be borne by the county of Pend Oreille. All original volumes of all records of the assessment rolls of Stevens county which include only property in the territory comprising the new county of Pend Oreille shall be transmitted to the county of Pend Oreille.

Expense.

Passed the House February 10, 1911.

Passed the Senate February 20, 1911.

Approved by the Governor March 1, 1911.

CHAPTER 29.

[H. B. 155.]

RELATING TO CRIMINAL ACTIONS AGAINST CORPORATIONS.

AN ACT relating to procedure in criminal actions against corporations.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever an indictment or information shall be filed in any superior court against a corporation charging it with the commission of a crime, a summons shall be issued by the clerk of such court, signed by one of the judges thereof, commanding the sheriff forthwith to notify the accused thereof, and commanding it to appear before

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charged
with crime.

such court at such time as shall be specified in said summons. Such summons and a copy of the indictment or information shall be at once delivered by such clerk to said sheriff and by him forthwith served and returned in the manner provided for service of summons upon such corporation in a civil action. Whenever a complaint against a corporation, charging it with the commission of a crime, shall be made before any justice of the peace or municipal judge, a like summons, signed by such justice of the peace or municipal judge, shall be issued, which, together with a copy of said complaint, shall be delivered to the sheriff at once and by him forthwith served as herein provided.

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SEC. 2. Upon such service being made such corporation shall appear at the time designated, by one of its officers or by counsel; and upon such appearance, and thereafter, the same course shall be pursued, as nearly as may be, as upon the appearance of an individual to indictment, information or complaint and warrant charging him with the same offense. Upon failure of the corporation to make such appearance said court shall cause to be entered a plea of "not guilty," and upon appearance made or plea entered the corporation shall be deemed forthwith continuously present in court until the case shall be finally disposed of.

Failure to appear.

SEC. 3. If the corporation shall be found guilty and a fine imposed, it shall be entered and docketed by the clerk, or justice of the peace or municipal judge as a judgment against the corporation, and it shall be of the same force and effect and be enforced against such corporation in the same manner as a judgment in a civil action.

Same effect as civil action.

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