expenses, there is hereby appropriated from the state game fund the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000.00), or so much thereof as is necessary.

Sec. 18. The provisions of this act shall apply exclusively to game and game fish and the same shall be enforced regardless of any conflicting provisions of any food fish laws of the State of Washington now in existence or hereafter passed, and no act done under the provisions of this act shall be deemed unlawful in the event that such act conflicts with any provisions of such food fish laws.


Passed the Senate March 1, 1915.
Passed the House March 10, 1915.
Sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 approved by the Governor March 18, 1915.
Sections 2, 7 and 19 vetoed by the Governor March 18, 1915.

CHAPTER 152.
[S. B. 201.]
LEASING STATE MINERAL LANDS.

AN ACT relating to the leasing of lands and tide and shore lands of the state, validating certain leases and contracts entered into thereunder and amending section 6782, Remington & Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That section 6782 of Remington & Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington be amended to read as follows:

Section 6782. The commissioner of public lands of the State of Washington is hereby authorized to execute leases and contracts for the mining of gold, silver, copper, lead, cinnabar or other valuable minerals except coal, from any
land or tide and shore lands belonging to the state or from any lands or tide and shore lands to which the state may hereafter acquire title, subject to the conditions hereinafter provided: Provided, however, If said lands are not used for mining and are used for other purposes the lease or contract shall be immediately cancelled.

SEC. 2. That leases and contracts heretofore entered into and executed by the commissioner of public lands for the mining of gold, silver, copper, lead, cinnabar or other valuable minerals except coal, from tide or shore lands be and the same are hereby validated.

Passed the Senate February 18, 1915.
Passed the House March 8, 1915.
Approved by the Governor March 18, 1915.

CHAPTER 153.
[H. B. 172.]
EMPOWERING DIKING DISTRICTS TO CONSTRUCT DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

AN ACT relating to dikes and drains enlarging the powers of diking districts, providing a method for the construction of a drainage system therein and amending section 4097 of Remington & Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That section 4097 of Rem. & Bal. Code be amended to read as follows:

Section 4097. All diking districts organized under the provisions of this act shall have the right of eminent domain with the power by and through its board or commissioners to cause to be condemned and appropriated private property for the use of said organization, in the construction and maintenance of a system of dikes and make just compensation therefor; that the property of private corporations may be subjected to the same rights of eminent