CHAPTER 80.

[H. B. 93.]

PUBLIC PRINTING FOR MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

An Act regulating the procuring of printing, binding and stationery work by counties, cities, towns, port districts and school districts, requiring that such work shall be executed within the state, except in certain instances.

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

Section 1. All printing, binding and stationery work to be done for or on behalf of any county, city, town, port district or school district in this state shall be executed within the state, except as hereinafter provided, and all proposals, requests or invitations to submit bids, prices, or contracts for, and all contracts for such work shall so stipulate: Provided, that whenever it shall be established that any such work can not be executed within the state or that the lowest charge for which it can be procured within the state, exceeds the charge usually and customarily made to private individuals and corporations for work of similar character and quality, or that all bids for such work or any part thereof are excessive and not reasonably competitive, the officer or officers of any such municipal corporation shall have power to have said work to be executed outside the state.

Sec. 2. No bill or claim for any such work shall be allowed by any officer or officers of any such municipal corporation or be paid out of the funds thereof, unless it shall appear that such work was executed within the state or that the execution thereof within the state could not have been procured, or procured at reasonable and competitive rates, and no action shall be maintained against any such municipal corporation or its officers upon any
contract for any such work unless it shall be alleged and proven that such work was executed within the state or that the bids received therefor were unreasonable or not truly competitive.

Sec. 3. All contracts for such work to be executed outside the state as herein above provided, shall provide and require that such work shall be executed under conditions of labor and employment which shall substantially conform to the laws of this state respecting hours of labor and the minimum wage scale for women and minors, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Industrial Welfare Commission of the State of Washington regarding conditions of employment, hours of labor and minimum wages, and the violation of such provision of any contract shall be ground for cancellation thereof.

Sec. 4. Nothing in this act shall be construed as requiring any public official to accept any such work of inferior quality or workmanship.

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Passed the Senate, February 19, 1919.

Allowed to become law without the Governor's signature.

I. M. Howell, Secretary of State.