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Act not ap-
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in the rented premises be destroyed by fire or other elements, the lien shall extend to any money that may be received by the tenant as indemnity for the destruction of said property, nor shall the lien be lost by the sale of the said property, except merchandise sold in the usual course of trade or to purchasers without notice of the tenancy. The provisions of this act shall not apply to, nor shall it be enforced against, the property of tenants in dwelling houses or apartments or any other place that is used exclusively as a home or residence of the tenant and his family.

Passed the Senate February 2, 1927.

Passed the House January 31, 1927.

Approved by the Governor February 8, 1927.

CHAPTER 109.

[S. B. 54.]

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

AN ACT relating to local improvements in cities and towns, and amending and repealing certain acts and parts of acts in relation thereto.

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

§ 12, Ch. 98,
L. 1911;
§ 9363, Rem.
Stats.;
§ 1000,
Pierce's
1919 Code.

SECTION 1. That section 12 of chapter 98 of the Laws of 1911, pages 445-446, (section 9363 of Remington's Compiled Statutes; section 1000 of Pierce's 1919 Code) be amended to read as follows:

Limit of
assessment.

Section 12. The council or other legislative body shall have jurisdiction to proceed with any such improvement initiated by petition or resolution: *Provided*, That in any city of the first class it appears from the certificate of the board, officer, or authority designated by charter or ordinance to determine the same that the proportion of the estimated cost and

expense thereof to be assessed against the property in the proposed improvement district does not exceed the assessed valuation of the real estate, exclusive of improvements thereon, within such district, according to the valuation last placed upon it for the purposes of general taxation: *Provided*, That this limit may be exceeded when any such improvement shall be petitioned for in the manner provided in section 9 of this act (9360 Remington's Compiled Statutes; 997 Pierce's 1919 Code) and such petition shall be signed by the owners of sixty (60%) per cent of the lineal frontage upon the improvement to be made and three-fourths of the area within the limits of the proposed improvement district, and shall specify a certain higher percentage up to which the property within such proposed improvement district may be assessed: *Provided, further*, That the jurisdiction of the council or other legislative authority to proceed with any such improvement initiated by resolution shall be divested by a protest filed with the council prior to the awarding of the contract for such improvement signed by the owners of property within the proposed district subject to at least sixty per cent (60%) of the cost of such improvement as shown and determined by the preliminary estimates and assessment roll of the proposed improvement district: *Provided, further*, That the jurisdiction of the city commission in cities organized under the commission form of government pursuant to chapter 116 of the Laws of 1911 to proceed with any such improvement initiated by resolution shall be divested by a protest filed with the commission prior to the awarding of the contract for such improvement signed by the owners of one-half of the area within the limits of the proposed improvement district. In the absence of fraud or gross mistake, such certificate of such board, officer or other authority shall be final and conclusive.

When may exceed limit.

When jurisdiction to proceed may be divested.

Jurisdiction of city commission.

How divested.

Computing
valuation.

In computing the valuation of such property any non-assessable property owned by the United States, state, county, city, town, school district or other public corporation, shall be valued at the same rate as assessed property similarly situated.

Statutes
repealed.

SEC. 2. That section 1 of chapter 168 of the Laws of 1915, pages 526-527; chapter 128 of the Laws of 1921, pages 420-421 and chapter 135 of the Laws of 1923, pages 371-373, are hereby repealed: *Provided*, That such repeal shall not operate to affect the validity of any act done under and by virtue of either of said acts repealed or the levy and collection of any assessments made thereunder.

Saving
clause.

Passed the Senate January 19, 1927.

Passed the House January 31, 1927.

Approved by the Governor February 8, 1927.

CHAPTER 110.

[H. B. 65.]

JOINT BOARD OF HIGHER CURRICULA.

AN ACT relating to higher education and repealing certain acts in relation thereto.

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

Statutes
repealed.

SECTION 1. That section 12 of chapter 10 of the Laws of 1917, page 36-37; chapter 85 of the Laws of 1921, page 227, and section 4745 of Pierce's 1919 Code, are hereby repealed.

Passed the House January 20, 1927.

Passed the Senate January 26, 1927.

Approved by the Governor February 8, 1927.