

cilmen, other than councilman-at-large, shall be elected in the year 1916 and biennially thereafter for terms of four years. All such elections shall be by the qualified electors of such city at a general municipal election to be held therein on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in December, except in class A counties and counties of the first class. All elective officers shall hold office from and after the first Tuesday in January next succeeding the date of election and until their successors are elected and qualified. The mayor shall appoint and at his pleasure may remove a chief of police, police judge, city engineer, street superintendent, health officer and such other officers as shall be provided by ordinance, and any such appointment or removal must be in writing, signed by the mayor, and filed with the city clerk.

Elections.

Appointive officers.

Passed the House March 14, 1929.

Passed the Senate March 14, 1929.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1929.

CHAPTER 183.

[H. B. 250.]

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENTS.

AN ACT relating to local improvement assessments; requiring cities and towns to include in their annual tax levies an amount sufficient to pay all unpaid assessments upon certain publicly owned lands, and amending Sections 9344 and 9345 of Remington's Compiled Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That section 9344 of Remington's Compiled Statutes of Washington be amended to read as follows:

Amends
§ 9344, Rem.
Comp. Stat.

Section 9344. Every city of the first, second and third class and town shall include in its annual tax levy an amount sufficient to pay all unpaid assess-

Annual tax
levy.

ments, with all interest, penalties and charges thereon levied against all lands of such city or town.

Amends
§ 9345, Rem.
Comp. Stat.

SEC. 2. That section 9345 of Remington's Compiled Statutes of Washington be amended to read as follows:

City
treasurer
to certify.

Section 9345. On or before the fifteenth day of August of each year, the city or town treasurer of each such city or town shall certify to the city or town council thereof a detailed statement showing the proceedings authorizing and confirming such assessments, the city's or town's lots, tracts and parcels of land so assessed, the several assessments against each, the interest, penalties and charges thereon, together with the estimated interest, penalties and charges which will accrue upon such assessments to date of payment and the total of all such assessments, interest, penalty and charges. The proceeds of such portion of the tax levy shall be placed by such city or town treasurer in a separate fund to be known as the "City (or town) Property Assessments Redemption Fund" and by him inviolably applied in payment of any unpaid assessment liens on any lands belonging to such city or town. The longest outstanding liens shall be paid first, but if the moneys in such fund shall at any time be insufficient to discharge all such liens against such lands upon a given assessment roll, such city or town treasurer may pay such portion thereof as may be possible from the funds available therefor: *Provided*, That the city or town council of such city or town may, if it be deemed necessary, transfer any sum or sums to such fund from the general fund of such city or town as a loan, such transfer to be repaid when moneys shall be available therefor in the fund hereby created.

"City Property Assessments Redemption Fund."

Passed the House March 13, 1929.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1929.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1929.