

Laws of 1897 (sections 7528 to 7530, both inclusive, of Remington's Revised Statutes).

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CHAPTER 150.

[H. B. 343.]

INCLUSION OF LANDS BY IRRIGATION DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to irrigation districts comprising within their boundaries two hundred thousand (200,000) or more acres of land; authorizing the inclusion of lands within the operation of such districts; outlining certain procedure, and prescribing official duties and powers with respect thereto.

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

Petition for inclusion.

SECTION 1. Whenever five or a majority of the holders of title to or evidence of title to any land susceptible of irrigation from the water supply and system of works of any irrigation district in this state, comprising within its boundaries two hundred thousand (200,000) or more acres of land now existing or hereafter organized, desire to have such land included in said irrigation district, they may file a petition, in writing, with the board of directors thereof praying that such land be included in such district.

Notice of hearing.

SEC. 2. Upon the filing of the petition, the board shall fix a time and place for the hearing of the same which shall not be less than thirty (30) days and not more than forty-five (45) days from the date of said filing; and the board shall cause a notice of such hearing to be published prior to said hearing in three consecutive weekly issues of the official newspaper of each county in which any of said land prayed to be included is situated.

SEC. 3. Said notice shall state the filing of the petition, describe generally the lands petitioned to be included within the operation of the district and the prayer of the petition and shall notify all persons interested in or that may be affected by such inclusion to appear at the time and place named in the notice, and show cause in writing, if any they have, why such lands or any part of the same should not be included within operation of the district. Such notice shall have the name of the secretary and of the district either subscribed or sub-printed thereto.

SEC. 4. The board of directors of the district shall meet at the time and place specified in the notice and shall have full authority to determine all matters pertaining to the petition, including the denial as well as the granting of said petition or any part thereof; and if it appears at said hearing, or at any adjournment thereof which may be had not to exceed in all thirty (30) days, that the land or any portion thereof petitioned to be included within the district, is susceptible of irrigation from the water supply and system of works of the said district and will be benefited by such irrigation; and if at said hearing or at any adjournment thereof as aforesaid, not more than fifty per cent (50%) of the holders of title or evidence of title to the lands described in the petition and proposed to be included file their objections in writing to the inclusion of such land within the time and as in this act provided, the said board shall make and enter in the records of their proceedings an order including said land, or such portion thereof as in their judgment is susceptible of irrigation and will be benefited as aforesaid, within the operation of said district.

SEC. 5. If at said hearing or at any adjournment thereof, the board of directors shall determine that said land is not susceptible of irrigation and will not be benefited as aforesaid by inclusion in the district,

or if more than fifty per cent (50%) of the holders of title to or evidence of title to the land described in the petition file their objections in writing within the time and as aforesaid, then the board of directors shall deny said petition and shall make and enter in the records of their proceedings an order to that effect.

Certified
copy of order
filed.

SEC. 6. A certified copy of the order of the board of directors including any lands within the operation of the district under the provisions of this act shall be filed with the county assessor and with the county auditor of each county in which any part of such included lands is situated, and from and after the date of such filing such land shall be subject to all the obligations and entitled to all the privileges of lands within the operation of the district.

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Approved by the Governor March 15, 1939.

CHAPTER 151.

[H. B. 401.]

SALT CREEK STATE PARK.

AN ACT relating to state parks and establishing the Salt Creek State Park in Clallam County.

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

SECTION 1. That lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of section 21, and lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of section 20, containing in all 310.20 acres, in township 31, north of range 8, west of the Willamette Meridian, in Clallam County, Washington, together with the tidelands bordering on said lots, are hereby set aside as a state park to be known as the Salt Creek State Park and to be