so conveyed by deed or other instrument of convey- May deed without ance without notice and upon such consideration as notice. shall be determined by the Board of County Commissioners.

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CHAPTER 143.

[H. B. 51.]

FIRE PROTECTION BY IRRIGATION DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to irrigation districts; providing for acquisition, operation and maintenance of water mains and fire hydrants, and amending section 2 of chapter 138 of the Laws of 1923, as amended by section 1 of chapter 31 of the Laws of 1933 (section 7417-2 of Remington's Revised Statutes).

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 138 of the Laws Amendof 1923 (section 7417-2 of Remington's Revised Statutes) be amended to read as follows:

Section 7417-2. Any irrigation district, operating Authority of and maintaining an irrigation system, in addition to other powers conferred by law, shall have authority:

1. To purchase, and sell electric power to the To purchase inhabitants of the irrigation district for the purposes tric power. of irrigation and domestic use, to acquire, construct and lease dams, canals, plants, transmission lines, and other power equipment and the necessary prop- Maintain erty and rights therefor and to operate, improve, repair and maintain the same, for the generation and transmission of electrical energy, used in the operation of pumping plants and irrigation systems of the district and to sell the surplus of any such electrical energy over and above the requirements of the

equipment.

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May sell surplus.

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Limit of contract. vate corporations and individuals, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Directors shall determine: Provided, That no contract, entered into by such Board for the sale of electrical energy to continue for a period longer than ten years shall be binding on the district until ratified by a majority vote of the electors of the district at an election therein, called, held and canvassed for that purpose in the same manner as that provided by law for district bond elections.

To construct and maintain water system.

Drainage.

To assume indebtedness.

To install fire prevention system.

Construction of act.

owners of irrigated lands within the district for domestic purposes. 3. To construct, repair, operate and maintain a

lease a system for the sale or lease of water to the

2. To construct, repair, purchase, maintain or

system of drains, as herein provided.

4. To assume, as principal or guarantor, any indebtedness to the United States under the Federal reclamation laws, on account of district lands.

5. To acquire, install, and maintain as a part of the irrigation district's water system the necessary water mains and fire hydrants to make water available for fire fighting purposes; and in addition any such irrigation district shall have authority to repair, operate and maintain such hydrants and mains.

This section shall not be construed as in any manner abridging any other powers of an irrigation district conferred by law.

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