CHAPTER 57.

[H. B. 105.]

CONTRACTS OF THIRD AND FOURTH CLASS CITIES.

An Acr relating to third and fourth class cities, and prohibiting officers thereof from having any interest in contracts thereof, or in the doing of any work, or the furnishing of any material or supplies therefor; and amending section 32, chapter 184, Laws of 1915, and section 176, chapter VII, Laws of 1889-90, to make such provisions inapplicable in certain cases.

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

Section 1. That section 32, chapter 184, Laws Amendments. of 1915 (section 9146 of Remington's Revised Statutes; section 815 of Pierce's Code), be amended to read as follows:

Section 32. No officer of such city shall be in- officials not terested, directly or indirectly, in any contract with to contract with etty. such city, or with any of the officers thereof, in their official capacity, or in doing any work or furnishing any supplies for the use of such city or its officers in their official capacity; and any claim for compensation for work done, or supplies or materials furnished, in which any such officer is interested, Claims void. shall be void, and if audited and allowed, shall not be paid by the treasurer. Any person who is resident agent for, or local dealer in, the goods and supplies of any person, firm or corporation furnishing such goods and supplies for the use of such city, or to any officer thereof in his official capacity, or to any contractor for use in the performance of any Contractor contract with such city, shall be ineligible to hold office. office in said city; and any officer of such city who shall be resident agent for, or local dealer in, the goods and supplies of any person, firm or corporation, furnishing such goods and supplies for the use of such city, or to any officer thereof in his official capacity, or to any contractor for use in the per-

Exception.

Penalty.

formance of any contract with such city, shall be deemed to be interested as contemplated herein. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any contract or any work, or the purchase of any material, goods or supplies when the expenditure thereof is one hundred dollars (\$100), or less, in any calendar month. Any willful violation of the provisions of this section shall be a ground for removal from office, and shall be deemed a misdemeanor, and punished as such.

Amendments.

Sec. 2. That section 176, chapter VII, Laws of 1889-90 (section 9194 of Remington's Revised Statutes; section 855 of Pierce's Code), be amended to read as follows:

Official not to perform services or furnish supplies.

Section 176. No officer of such town shall be interested directly or indirectly in any contract with such town or with any of the officers thereof, in their official capacity, nor in doing any work nor furnishing any supplies for the use of such town, or its officers in their official capacity; and any claim for compensation for work done or supplies or material furnished in which any such officer is interested shall be void, and if audited and allowed, shall not be paid by the treasurer. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any contract or the purchase of any material or supplies when the expenditure therefor is fifty dollars (\$50), or less, in any calendar month. Any willful violation of the provisions of this section shall be a ground for removal from office, and shall be deemed a misdemeanor and punished as such.

Claim void.

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Passed the House March 5, 1941.

Passed the Senate March 5, 1941.

Approved by the Governor March 10, 1941.