the construction, maintenance and operation of fish
cultural stations, sub-stations, laboratory or fish con-
servation devices or for any other purpose deemed
necessary by the Director of Fisheries and/or the
State Game Commission for the rehabilitation and
conservation of the fisheries resources of the Colum-
bria River Basin.

Sec. 5. After the construction and installation
of any such fish cultural station, sub-station, labora-
tory or fish conservation devices, the Department
of Fisheries and/or the State Game Commission may
maintain and operate the same in accordance with
the terms of the agreement entered into with the
United States in regard thereto.

Passed the House February 6, 1947.
Passed the Senate March 7, 1947.
Approved by the Governor March 17, 1947.

CHAPTER 154.
[H. B. 263.]

RELEASE OF STATE CLAIM AGAINST TACOMA.

An Act releasing and cancelling a certain claim of the state
against the City of Tacoma.

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

SECTION 1. The claim of the state in the amount
of one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight and
nineteen one-hundredths dollars ($1,878.19) which
has been assessed by the Department of Licenses
against the City of Tacoma in connection with the
operation of its Belt Line Division, representing
penalty and interest assessed under the "use fuel
tax" act, being chapter 127, Laws of 1941, for the
period January 1, 1943 to September 30, 1945 is
hereby released and cancelled, it appearing that the
CHAPTER 155.
[ H. B. 258. ]
LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

AN ACT relating to local improvements in cities and towns, and amending section 13, chapter 98, Laws of 1911, as last amended by section 1, chapter 90, Laws of 1941 (sec. 9365, Rem. Rev. Stat.; sec. 401-25, PPC) to provide an additional method for creating a local improvement district and making assessments therefor.

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

SECTION 1. Section 13, chapter 98, Laws of 1911, as last amended by section 1, chapter 90, Laws of 1941 (sec. 9365, Rem. Rev. Stat.; sec. 401-25, PPC) is amended to read as follows:

Section 13. Every ordinance ordering any improvement mentioned in this act, payment for which shall be made in whole or in part by special assessments, shall establish a local improvement district to be called “Local Improvement District No. ......................” which district shall embrace as near as may be all the property specially benefited by such improvement.

Except in the cases herein otherwise specifically provided for, and unless otherwise provided in the ordinance ordering such improvement, such district shall include all the property between the termini of said improvement abutting upon, adjacent, vicinal or proximate to the street, avenue, lane, alley, boulevard, park drive, parkway, public place or square proposed to be improved to a distance back