CHAPTER 61.
[ H. B. 127. ]

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS—POWERS AND DUTIES.

An Act relating to counties, promulgation of regulations by County Commissioners, and amending section 2673, Code of 1881, as amended by section 1, chapter 199, Laws of 1943 (sec. 4056, Rem. Rev. Stat.; sec. 480-15, PPC).

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

SECTION 1. Section 2673, Code of 1881, as amended by section 1, chapter 199, Laws of 1943 (sec. 4056, Rem. Rev. Stat.; sec. 480-15, PPC) is amended to read as follows:

Section 2673. General Powers and Duties. The several Boards of County Commissioners are authorized and required:

1. To provide for the erection and repairing of court houses, jails and other necessary public buildings for the use of the county;

2. To lay out, discontinue or alter county roads and highways within their respective counties, and do all other necessary acts relating thereto according to law, except within the limits of incorporated cities and towns, whereby the terms of the acts of incorporation, jurisdiction over the roads in the limits of said incorporations is vested in the corporate authorities thereof;

3. To license and fix the rates of ferriage; to grant grocery and other licenses authorized by law to be by them granted;

4. To fix the amount of county taxes to be assessed according to the provisions of law, and cause the same to be collected as prescribed by law;

5. To allow all accounts legally chargeable against such county not otherwise provided for, and to audit the accounts of all officers having the care, management, collection, or disbursement of any money belonging to the county or appropriated to its benefit;
6. To have the care of the county property and the management of the county funds and business, and in the name of the county to prosecute and defend all actions for and against the county, and such other powers as are or may be conferred by law.

7. To make and enforce, by appropriate resolutions or ordinances, all such police and sanitary regulations as are not in conflict with state law, and provide that any violation of such regulations, ordinances, or resolutions shall constitute a misdemeanor: Provided, No such regulation shall be effective unless before its adoption, a public hearing has been held thereon by the Board of County Commissioners of which at least ten days' notice has been given. The notice must set out a copy of the proposed regulations and the day, hour and place of hearing. The notice must be given by publication in the newspaper in which legal notices of the county are printed.

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