

license plates used in connection with such violation.

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CHAPTER 98.

[H. B. 133.]

DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED PERSONAL PROPERTY AND MONEY BY PUBLIC OFFICERS.

AN ACT relating to unclaimed personal property and money in the hands of public officers; amending section 1, chapter 70, Laws of 1891 (sec. 8435, Rem. Rev. Stat.; sec. 730-39, PPC), and amending chapter 70, Laws of 1891, by adding thereto four new sections to be designated as sections 3, 4, 5 and 6, respectively.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 70, Laws of 1891 (sec. 8435, Rem. Rev. Stat.; sec. 730-39, PPC), is amended to read as follows:

Unclaimed
money
payable
to State
Treasurer
—when.

Section 1. When unclaimed money is in the possession of a public officer to which his office has no claim, and no other provision exists for its disposition, he shall pay it to the State Treasurer and take his receipt therefor. The receipt shall be a full release of the officer from all further liability therefor. The provisions of this section shall not apply to county or precinct officers.

SEC. 2. Chapter 70, Laws of 1891, is amended by adding thereto four new sections to be known as sections 3, 4, 5 and 6, respectively, reading as follows:

Section 3. When unclaimed money or any kind of personal property is in the possession of a county or precinct officer to which his office has no claim, and no other provision exists for its disposition, he shall

Unclaimed
money and
personal
property de-
livered to
county
treasurer
—when.

pay the money or deliver the property to the County Treasurer and take his receipt therefor. Unclaimed property shall include exhibits introduced as evidence in any cause which have been held by a justice of the peace or by the clerk of superior court for more than five years since the final judgment entered in the cause.

Publication
of notice.

Section 4. The County Treasurer shall publish a notice once each week for two successive weeks in a legal newspaper of the county and post copies thereof in three public places therein describing the character of the money or other personal property delivered to him as unclaimed and a short statement of the circumstances connected therewith so far as known. Any person proving to the treasurer his right to the possession thereof may have any such money or property delivered to him upon paying the cost of publication of the notice and a fee of five dollars (\$5).

Delivery of
property.

Sale of
personal
property.

Section 5. At any time subsequent to ten days after the last publication of notice by the County Treasurer of the facts and of the circumstances relating to unclaimed personal property in his possession other than money, if no claim has been made by any one therefor, he shall sell it at public auction for cash pursuant to a notice published by him in a legal newspaper at least ten days before the sale. The notice shall state the day, hour and place of sale and contain a description of the property to be sold.

Proceeds of
sale to cur-
rent expense
fund.

Section 6. The proceeds of all property so sold less the expenses of advertising and sale and all unclaimed money so paid to the treasurer shall by him be placed in the county treasury and credited to the county current expense fund.

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