# CHAPTER 112.

[ H. B. 549.]

#### CHILD WELFARE.

An Act relating to child welfare; repealing sections 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of chapter 172, Laws of 1933, and repealing sections 74.12.140, 74.12.150, 74.12.160, 74.12.170, 74.12.180, 74.12.190 and 74.12.200, RCW.

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

Section 1. Sections 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of chapter 172, Repealing Laws of 1933, and sections 74.12.140, 74.12.150, 74.12-.160, 74.12.170, 74.12.180, 74.12.190 and 74.12.200, RCW, are repealed.

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# CHAPTER 113.

[ H. B. 550. ]

ELECTIONS—RECALL OF ELECTIVE PUBLIC OFFICERS.

An Act making effective the constitutional provisions relating to the recall of elective public officers, to prevent fraud, and providing penalties; repealing section 16, chapter 146, Laws of 1913; repealing and reenacting section 29.82.210, RCW; and amending section 29.82.220, RCW.

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

Section 1. Section 16, chapter 146, Laws of 1913, Repealing is repealed, and section 29.82.210, RCW, presently reenacting derived therefrom and henceforth derived from this act, is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

29.82.210 Violation by Officers. Every officer who Penalty. wilfully violates any of the provisions of this chapter, for the violation of which no penalty is herein prescribed or who wilfully fails to comply with the proCH. 113.]

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visions of this chapter shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. Section 29.82.220, RCW, presently derived from section 16, chapter 146, Laws of 1913, and henceforth derived from this act, is amended to read as follows:

Penalty for corrupt practices—what are.

Every person shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor, who:

Accepting payment.

(1) For any consideration, compensation, gratuity, reward or thing of value or promise thereof, signs or declines to sign any recall petition; or

Advertises to circulate, etc., petition or influence signers. (2) Advertises in any newspaper, magazine or other periodical publication or in any book, pamphlet, circular or letter or by means of any sign, signboard, bill, poster, handbill or card or in any manner whatsoever, that he will either for or without compensation or consideration circulate, or solicit, procure or obtain signatures upon, or influence or induce or attempt to influence or induce persons to sign or not to sign any recall petition or vote for or against any recall; or

Solicitor, etc., accepting payment. (3) For pay or any consideration, compensation, gratuity, reward or thing of value or promise thereof, circulates, or solicits, procures or obtains or attempts to procure or obtain signatures upon any recall petition; or

Payment to signers or solicitors, etc.

(4) Pays or offers or promises to pay, or gives or offers or promises to give any consideration, compensation, gratuity, reward or thing of value to any person to induce him to sign or not to sign, or to circulate or solicit, procure or attempt to procure or obtain signatures upon any recall petition, or to vote for or against any recall; or

Use of threats or intimidation.

(5) By any other corrupt means or practice or by threats or intimidation interferes with or attempts to interfere with the right of any legal voter to sign or not to sign any recall petition or to vote for or against any recall; or

(6) Receives, accepts, handles, distributes, pays Accepting out or gives away, directly or indirectly, any money, consideration, compensation, gratuity, reward or nonresident thing of value contributed by or received from any person, firm, association, or corporation whose residence or principal office is, or the majority of whose stockholders are non-residents of the state of Washington, for any service, work or assistance of any kind done or rendered for the purpose of aiding in procuring signatures upon any recall petition or the adoption or rejection of any recall.

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# CHAPTER 114.

[ H. B. 551.]

UNINCORPORATED TOWNS-VACATION OF PLATS.

An Act relating to the vacation of plats of unincorporated towns; repealing section 2333, Code of 1881, and amending section 58.12.090, RCW.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2333, Code of 1881, is repealed, Repealing and section 58.12.090, RCW, presently derived there-amendment from and henceforth derived from this act, is amended to read as follows:

Any person interested in any town not incorpo- Petition to rated, who may desire to vacate any lot, street, alley, common, or any part thereof, or any public square, or part thereof, in any such town, may petition the board of county commissioners for the proper county. The petition shall set forth the facts pertinent there- Contents. to, with a description of the property to be vacated, and shall be filed in the office of the county auditor. The auditor shall give notice of the time and place