precinct in which he resides, all others shall vote in
the precinct nearest their residence. No director shall
be qualified to take office unless at the time of
his election as such director he was the owner of
five acres or more of land within the district subject
to assessments by the irrigation district: Provided,
That this additional qualification for the office of
director shall not apply in any irrigation district
where more than fifty percent of the total acreage of
the district subject to assessment is owned in indi-
vidual ownerships of less than five acres.

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CHAPTER 123.
[ S. B. 217. ]

BOOM COMPANIES.

AN ACT relating to boom companies; increasing the maximum
rates which may be charged for certain services thereof;
and amending section 76.28.040, RCW.

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

SECTION 1. Section 76.28.040, RCW, as derived
from section 4, of an act approved March 17, 1890,
entitled, “An Act to declare and regulate the powers,
rights and duties of corporations organized to build
booms and to catch logs and timber products there-
in”, is amended to read as follows:

After such works have been constructed, the cor-
poration shall catch, hold, and assort the logs and
timber products of all persons requesting such ser-
vice, upon the same terms and without discrimina-
tion. It shall have the right, in consideration of the
convenience and security afforded to the public in
the handling of logs and timber products, to charge
and collect tolls on all logs or other timber products caught within its works and upon the order or request of the owner or owners thereof, and there assorted, boomed, or rafted. The tolls should not exceed one dollar and fifty cents per thousand feet on logs, spars, or other large timber, and reasonable rates on all other timber products. A corporation operating a boom at the mouth of any river, shall catch and hold, assort, boom, and raft all logs and timber products, except such as may be already in charge of the owner or his agents, without request of the owner, and it shall have the right to charge and collect tolls not to exceed one dollar and fifty cents per thousand feet for such service. The amount of logs or timber is to be board measure, to be ascertained by the usual legal method of scaling. The corporation shall have a lien upon the logs and timber products for the driving, floating, booming, sorting, and rafting thereof, and the right to enforce such lien in any manner provided by law for the enforcement of liens upon personal property. The corporation shall, as soon as practicable, deliver logs or other timber products caught within its booms, sorted and rafted ready for towing, to the owner thereof, and if required to hold such property for more than thirty days, shall have the right to charge a reasonable rate for such storage for the excess period.

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