

CHAPTER 200.

[S. B. 30.]

CORPORATIONS—SEAL.

AN ACT relating to corporate seals.

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

SECTION 1. The absence of a corporate seal on any deed, mortgage, lease, bond or other instrument or contract in writing shall not affect its validity, legality or character in any respect.

Effect of absence of corporate seal.

Passed the Senate February 8, 1957.

Passed the House March 12, 1957.

Approved by the Governor March 22, 1957.

CHAPTER 201.

[S. B. 72.]

COUNTY CLERK—DESTRUCTION, USE OF RECORDS.

AN ACT relating to court records, exhibits and other records; adding two new sections to chapter 36.23 RCW and amending section 1, chapter 277, Laws of 1947 and RCW 36.23.070.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 36.23 RCW a new section to read as follows:

New section.

Notwithstanding any other law relating to the destruction of court records, the county clerk may cause to be destroyed all documents, records, instruments, books, papers, depositions, and transcripts, in any action or proceeding in the superior court, or otherwise filed in his office pursuant to law, if all of the following conditions exist:

Destruction of court records—Conditions requisite to.

(1) Ten years have elapsed since the filing of any paper in the action or proceeding and the records of the county clerk do not show that the