CHAPTER 31
[House Bill No. 288]
CORPORATIONS—VENUE

AN ACT Relating to corporations; and amending section 1, chapter 173, Laws of 1927 as amended by section 168, chapter 53, Laws of 1965 and RCW 4.12.025.

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

Sec. 1. Section 1, chapter 173, Laws of 1927 as amended by section 168, chapter 53, Laws of 1965 and RCW 4.12.025 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) An action may be brought in any county in which the defendant resides, or, if there be more than one defendant, where some one of the defendants resides at the time of the commencement of the action. For the purpose of this section, RCW ((4.12.025,)) 4.12.026, and 4.12.027, the residence of a corporation defendant shall be deemed to be in any county where the corporation: (a) Transacts business ((or)); (b) has an office for the transaction of business ((or)); (c) transacted business at the time the cause of action arose; or (d) where any person resides upon whom process may be served upon the corporation((, unless hereinafter otherwise provided)).

(2) The venue of any action brought against a corporation, at the option of the plaintiff, shall be (((1))) (a) In the county where the tort was committed; (((2))) (b) in the county where the work was performed for said corporation; (((3))) (c) in the county where the agreement entered into with the corporation was made; or (((4))) (d) in the county where the corporation has its (principal place of business) residence.

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CHAPTER 32
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CORPORATIONS—ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION