and fifty yards of the mouth of said creek, and the mouth of said creek shall be construed to mean the junction where the fresh and salt waters meet at low tide.

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CHAPTER XXXIX.

[H. B. No. 170.]

ENABLING CHARTERED CITIES TO VALIDATE WAR-RANTS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS.

AN ACT to enable cities that have adopted charters under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the government of cities having a population of twenty thousand (20,000) inhabitants, or more, and declaring an emergency to exist," approved March 24, 1890, to validate warrants and other obligations and evidences of indebtedness on the part of such cities issued by the corporate authorities thereof for salaries of elective officers of such cities, where the only ground of invalidity of such warrants, obligations, and evidences of indebtedness is that the charter of such city did not prescribe the compensation to be received by such officers.

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

SECTION 1. Any city which has adopted a charter Provisionary under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the government of cities having a population of twenty thousand (20,000) or more inhabitants, and declaring an emergency to exist," approved March 24, 1890, may by resolution duly passed, in accordance May raitfy if issued prior to with its charter, ratify any warrants or other obliga-this act. tions and evidences of indebtedness on the part of such city issued prior to the approval of this act by the corporate authorities thereof for the salaries or compensation of its elective officers, where the services of such officers have been fully and regularly rendered and performed and the only ground of invalidity of such war-

rants, obligations, and evidences of indebtedness is that the compensation of such officers was not prescribed in the charter of such city at the time the services were performed for which such warrants, obligations or evidences of indebtedness were issued.

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CHAPTER XL.

[H. B. No. 253.]

RELATING TO MARKS AND BRANDS ON LOGS.

AN ACT to prevent and punish the destruction of marks or brands upon logs and other timber.

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

SECTION 1. Every person who shall cut out, alter or destroy any mark or brand made or caused to have been made by the owner upon any log, spar, pile, boom stick, shingle bolt or other timber of value, lying or being in any of the waters of this state, or upon the beach or bank adjacent to such waters, without the consent of the owner thereof, shall, on conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail of not more than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Penalty

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