CHAPTER 123.

[H. B. No. 309.]

MAKING IT A FELONY FOR A HUSBAND TO CONNIVE AT THE PROSTITUTION OF HIS WIFE AND PROVIDING PUNISHMENT THEREFOR.

AN ACT relating to husbands who connive at the prostitution of their wives and to persons who live off or accept the earnings of prostitutes, or solicit persons to go to houses of ill-fame for immoral purposes, or who permit or solicit females under eighteen years of age to enter any house of ill-fame, or other houses for immoral purposes, declaring the violation hereof a felony and fixing a punishment.

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

SECTION 1. Every man who by force, intimidation, threats, persuasion, promises, or any other means, places or leaves, or procures any other person or persons, to place or leave, his wife in a house of prostitution, or connives at, or consents or permits, the placing or leaving of his wife in a house of prostitution, or allows or permits her to remain therein, is guilty of a felony, and shall be punished, upon conviction thereof, by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one year or more than ten years; and in all prosecutions under this section the wife shall be a competent witness against her husband.

SEC. 2. Any male person who lives with, or who lives off of, in whole or in part, or accepts any of the earnings of a prostitute, or connives in or solicits or attempts to solicit any male person or persons to have sexual intercourse, or cohabit with a prostitute, or who shall invite, direct or solicit any person to go to a house of ill-fame for any immoral purpose; or any person who shall entice, decoy, place, take or receive any female child or person under the age of eighteen years, into any house of ill-fame or disorderly house, or any house, for the purpose of prostitution; or any person who, having in his or her custody or control such child, shall dispose of it to be so received, or to be received in or for any obscene, indecent or immoral purpose, exhibition or practice, shall be deemed guilty of a felony and upon

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conviction thereof shall be imprisoned in the penitentiary Penalty. not less than one year nor more than five years, and fined in any sum not less than one thousand dollars nor more than five thousand dollars.

Passed the House March 9, 1903.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1903.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1903.

CHAPTER 124.

[H. B. No. 140.]

AMENDING BALLINGER'S CODE RELATIVE TO ASSESS-MENTS FOR LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS IN CITIES.

AN ACT to amend Section 1 of an act entitled "An act amending Section 943 of Ballinger's Code and Statutes of Washington, relating to assessments to local improvements," approved March 16, 1901.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1 of an act entitled "An act amending section 943 of Ballinger's Codes and Statutes of Sec. 943 Ballinger's Washington, relating to local improvements," approved March 16, 1901, be amended to read as follows: Section 1. That [section] 943 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, relating to assessments for local improvements be amended to read as follows: Section 943. The city council are hereby authorized and empowered to City council order any work authorized by this chapter to be done upon work done. the streets, alleys, avenues, highways and public places of such city. The expense or cost of improving and repairing streets, side walks, alleys, squares or other public highways and places within the city, removing obstructions therefrom, grading, planking, paving, macademizing, graveling and curbing the same and planting, setting out and cultivating of shade trees therein, and constructing gutters, culverts and sidewalks therein, shall be assessed as follows: The city council shall before grading, paving or other im-Assessment -how made. provement of any street or alley, the cost of which is to be levied and assessed upon the property benefited, first pass