lating to justices of the peace and constables in cities of the first class and fixing their number and salaries and providing for making one of the justices elected in such cities a police justice, and defining his duties, jurisdiction and powers," approved March 13, 1899, being chapter LXXXV of session laws of 1899 and section 2838 of Pierce's code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 6. The police judge of such city shall have power clerk for at any time to appoint a clerk to assist such police judge in clerical work incidental to the performance of his duties, who shall be paid such salary out of the funds of the city as the city council may by ordinance determine.

SEC. 3. That an emergency is declared to exist and this Emergency. act shall be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the House February 9, 1903. Passed the Senate February 25, 1903. Approved by the Governor March 4, 1903.

CHAPTER 31.

[H. B. No. 164.]

AMENDING ACT RELATIVE TO MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

AN ACT to amend section 166 of an act entitled "An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations and declaring an emergency," approved March 27th, 1890.

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

Section 1. Section 166 of an act entitled "An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations and declaring Sec. 1019 Balan emergency," approved March 27th, 1890 (being section linger's Code, Sec. 3533 1019 of Ballinger's code and section 3533 of Pierce's code), Pierce's Code. be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 166. In the erection, improvement and repair of all public buildings and works, in all street and sewer work,

Work to be let by con-tract.

and in all work in or about streams, bays or water fronts, or in or about embankments, or other works for protection against overflow, and in furnishing any supplies or materials for the same, when the expenditure required for the same exceeds the sum of one hundred dollars the same shall be done by contract and shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, after due notice, under such regulations as may be prescribed by ordinance: *Provided*, That the council may reject all bids presented and re-advertise in their discretion or if in the judgment of the council such work can be performed or supplies or materials furnished by the city independent of contract cheaper than under the lowest bid submitted, it may cause such work to be performed or supplies or materials to be furnished independent of contract.

Proviso.

Passed the House February 5, 1903. Passed the Senate February 24, 1903. Approved by the Governor March 4, 1903.

CHAPTER 32.

[H. B. No. 404.]

PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL GROUND FOR SCHOOL FOR DEFECTIVE YOUTH.

AN ACT to provide for the purchase of additional land adjoining the grounds upon which is located the main building of the School for Defective Youth and making an appropriation therefor.

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

Section 1. That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general fund in the State Treasury the sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purchase of forty acres, more or less, of land adjoining the grounds upon which is located the main building of the School for Defective Youth.

SEC. 2. The State Board of Control is hereby author-