CHAPTER 118.

[H. B. 158.]

AUTHORITY TO SUPREME COURT TO MAKE RULES.

An Acr to promote the speedy determination of litigation on the merits and authorizing the Supreme Court to make rules relating to pleading, procedure and practice in the courts of this state.

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

Section 1. The Supreme Court shall have the Rules of power to prescribe, from time to time, the forms of writs and all other process, the mode and manner of framing and filing proceedings and pleadings; of giving notice and serving writs and process of all kinds; of taking and obtaining evidence; of drawing up, entering and enrolling orders and judgments; and generally to regulate and prescribe by rule the forms for and the kind and character of the entire pleading, practice and procedure to be used in all suits, actions, appeals and proceedings of whatever nature by the Supreme Court, Superior Courts and Justices of the Peace of the State of Washington. In prescribing such rules the Supreme Court shall have regard to the simplification of the system of pleading, practice and procedure in said courts to promote the speedy determination of litigation on the merits.

- SEC. 2. When and as the rules of courts herein Effect as authorized shall be promulgated all laws in conflict therewith shall be and become of no further force or effect.
- SEC. 3. This act shall not be construed to de- superior prive the Superior Courts of power to establish province.

rules for their government supplementary to and not in conflict with the rules prescribed by the Supreme Court.

Passed the House December 8, 1925. Passed the Senate January 4, 1926. Approved by the Governor January 12, 1926.

CHAPTER 119.

[H. B. 169.]

HIGHWAYS.

An Act providing for the construction and maintenance of highways by counties outside the boundaries thereof.

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

Section 1. Whenever two counties are separated by an intervening portion of a third county not exceeding one mile in width, and each of said counties has constructed or shall construct a highway to the boundary thereof, and the authorities of the two counties deem it beneficial to such counties to connect said highways by the construction and maintenance of a highway across such intervening portion of the third county, it shall be lawful for the authorities of the two counties to expend jointly the funds of their respective counties in acquiring right of way for and the construction and maintenance of such connecting highway and any necessary bridge thereon, in the manner provided by law for the expenditure of county funds for the construction and maintenance of highways lying within the county.

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Construction and mainte-nance jointly by two counties of connecting highway and bridge not within either county.