CHAPTER 12.

[S. B. 41.1

LIMITATION ON CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS.

AN ACT prescribing the limitations on criminal prosecutions and amending section 2005, Remington's Revised Statutes.

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

Amends § 2005, Rem. Rev. Stat. (§ 9340 P. C.).

Limitation on criminal actions other than murder. Section 1. That section 2005 of Remington's Revised Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 2005. Prosecutions for the offenses of murder and arson, where death ensues, may be commenced at any period after the commission of the offense; for offenses the punishment of which may be imprisonment in the penitentiary, committed by any public officer in connection with the duties of his office or constituting a breach of his public duty or a violation of his oath of office, within ten years after their commission; for all other offenses the punishment of which may be imprisonment in the penitentiary, within three years after their commission; and for all other offenses, within one year after their commission: Provided, That any length of time during which the party charged was not usually and publicly resident within this state shall not be reckoned within the one, three and ten years respectively: And further provided, That where an indictment has been found, or an information filed, within the time limited for the commencement of a criminal action, if the indictment or information be set aside, the time of limitation shall be computed from the setting aside of such indictment or information.

Passed the Senate January 28, 1937.

Passed the House February 10, 1937.

Approved by the Governor February 19, 1937.