CHAPTER 120.

[S. B. 175.]

STATE FOOD PROCESSING PLANTS.

An Act authorizing the Department of Finance, Budget and Business to build, equip and operate food processing plants, declaring the policy of such operation, creating a cannery revolving fund, making appropriations, providing that it shall be a misdemeanor to sell the products of such plants and declaring that this act shall take effect immediately.

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

Food processing plants established.

Section 1. The State Department of Finance, Budget and Business, hereinafter called "the Department," is authorized and directed to establish, during the next biennium, not less than two (2) nor more than four (4) new food processing plants, in addition to those now established, assisted or operated for the purpose of canning, drying, smoking and otherwise preserving foodstuffs. The plants herein provided for may be established and operated by the Department in co-operation with and may receive aid and assistance from the United States Works Progress Administration, boards of county commissioners or other public bodies, political subdivisions or municipal corporations desiring to sponsor, assist or co-operate with the Department in establishing such plants, or the plants may, in the discretion of the Department, be established and operated by the Department without such co-operation, sponsorship and assistance.

Location.

SEC. 2. In determining the location, character and cost of each plant established under the terms of this act the Department shall take into consideration the needs of the various communities of the state, the volume of unused foodstuffs being raised therein, the requests of residents and the probable extent of official aid, community co-operation and

donations or matching funds available, and shall set up such plants in those communities which, in the judgment of the Department, afford the greatest opportunity for successful operation.

SEC. 3. The Department is hereby empowered Acquisition to acquire, by lease, purchase or gift, the requisite land, buildings, machinery, equipment, supplies, transportation facilities and any and all other things necessary or convenient for the establishment and operation of the plants herein referred to: Provided. however, That the Department shall not expend more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in establishing each plant and acquiring the necessary machinery and equipment therefor. This section shall not be construed as a limitation upon the Department's expenditures for supplies and operating expenses after the plants have been established and equipped.

of lands, buildings equipment.

SEC. 4. Such food processing plants, when built operation of plants. and equipped, shall be operated by the Department for the benefit of needy persons, public institutions, schools and school aid groups and organizations, educational, cooperative and charitable institutions and other organizations working for the public good, under such rules and regulations and subject to such limitations and quotas per person, family, organization or institution as the Department shall establish.

SEC. 5. The Department shall employ such supervisors, technical experts and other employees as are necessary for the efficient operation of the plants. and may permit or require the patrons of the plants to assist in the work, preparing and processing their own food products under such rules and regulations as may be established by the Department.

The Department may furnish cans and Department other supplies for the preserving and processing of supplies. food products as provided in this act and may re-

quire those patronizing the plants to pay, as compensation for services rendered and supplies furnished by the plants, a toll of not less than one-third nor more than one-half of their own raw materials: *Provided, however*, That in cases where the value of the raw materials would be disproportionate to the value of the services rendered and supplies furnished by the plants, the Department may, in its discretion, permit patrons to pay for such services and supplies in cash, at a reasonable rate to be established by the Department, in lieu of paying a commodity toll.

Distribution.

SEC. 7. Products received as toll for services rendered and supplies furnished by the plants shall be distributed to public institutions and needy persons in such manner and under such regulations as shall be determined by the Department.

Sale prohibited.

Penalty.

No product of such food processing Sec. 8. plants may be sold by any person, firm or corporation. Each finished article shall be plainly stamped, "Not to be Sold," and the sale thereof by any person, firm or corporation shall be a misdemeanor. It is the intent and purpose of this act that the food processing plants so set up shall not be commercial and that their products shall not be released upon the open market to compete with the products of · private industry and business, but that the act shall be so administered as to encourage individuals to grow and preserve a greater portion of their own food; afford a means of conserving surplus and unmarketable food products; aid the state and its subdivisions in caring for the indigent poor; furnish food supplies for public institutions within the state: and assist needy persons to become and remain selfsustaining through their own labor and thrift.

SEC. 9. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, the following sums or so much

thereof as may be necessary are hereby appropriated Appropriation. from funds indicated and for purposes stated:

FROM THE GENERAL FUND

For construction, equipment, materials and rentals..... \$40,000.00 For cannery revolving fund which is hereby created in the State Treasury 20.000.00

FROM THE CANNERY REVOLVING FUND For Salaries, Wages and Operations 60,000.00

SEC. 10. This act is necessary for the preser- Effective immediately. vation of peace, health and safety and the support of the state government and its existing institutions and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1939. Passed the House March 7, 1939. Approved by the Governor March 15, 1939.

CHAPTER 121.

[S. B. 178.]

CHATTEL MORTGAGES.

An Acr providing for the filing of chattel mortgages in the county to which mortgaged chattels are removed, defining the effect of failure so to do, and amending section 1988 of chapter CXLI of the Code of 1881.

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

Section 1. That section 1988 of chapter CXLI Amends of the Code of 1881 (section 3788 of Remington's Revised Statutes; section 9748 of Pierce's Code) be amended to read as follows:

Section 1988. When the personal property described in a mortgage which has been filed in accordance with the provisions of sections 3780, 3781,