

CHAPTER 60.

[S. B. 50.]

RELATIVE TO COMPETENCY AND IMMUNITY OF WITNESSES IN CERTAIN CASES.

AN ACT relating to the competency of witnesses in certain cases, and providing for immunity from indictment, information, prosecution and punishment for such witnesses.

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

SECTION 1. That any person offending against any provisions of the common law or statutes of the State of Washington or any ordinances of any municipality thereof, relating to bribery, grafting or corrupt solicitation, shall be a competent witness against any other person so offending, and may be compelled to attend and testify upon any trial, hearing, proceeding or investigation in the same manner as any other person. But the testimony so given shall not be used in any prosecution or proceeding, civil or criminal, against the person so testifying. A person so testifying shall not thereafter be liable to indictment, information, prosecution, or punishment for such offense.

Competency of witnesses.

Immunity.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall not be applicable to any prosecution or proceeding before a committing magistrate or justice of the peace.

Proceedings before committing magistrate.

Passed the Senate February 14th, 1907.

Passed the House February 27th, 1907.

Approved by the Governor March 4th, 1907.