

CHAPTER 116.

[H. B. 106.]

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES.

An Act relating to tow boats, tugs, scows, barges and lighters,
and amending section 10344 of Remington's Compiled Statutes:

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

SECTION 1. That Section 10344 of Remington's
Compiled Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 10344. The term "commission," when
used in this act, means the public service commis-
sion hereby created.

The term "commissioner," when used in this act,
means one of the members of such commission.

The term "corporation," when used in this act,
includes a corporation, company, association or joint
stock association.

The word "person," when used in this act, in-
cludes an individual, a firm or copartnership.

The term "street railroad," when used in this
act, includes every railroad by whatsoever power
operated, or any extension or extensions, branch or
branches thereof, for public use in the conveyance
of persons or property for hire, being mainly upon,
along, above or below any street, avenue, road, high-
way, bridge or public place within any one city or
town, and includes all equipment, switches, spurs,
tracks, bridges, right of trackage, subways, tunnels,
stations, terminals and terminal facilities of every
kind used, operated, controlled or owned by or in
connection with any such street railroad, within
this state.

The term "railroad," when used in this act, in-
cludes every railroad, other than a street railroad,
by whatsoever power operated for public use in the
conveyance of persons or property for hire, with all

Amends Rem.
Comp. Stat.
§ 10344;
Pierce's Code
§ 5535.

Definitions.

Commission.

Commissioner.

Corporation.

Person.

Street
railroad.

Railroad.

bridges, ferries, tunnels, equipment, switches, spurs, tracks, stations and terminal facilities of every kind used, operated, controlled or owned by or in connection with any such railroad.

The term "street railroad company," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, and every city or town, owning, controlling, operating or managing any street railroad or any cars or other equipment used thereon or in connection therewith within this state.

Street
railway
company.

The term "railroad company," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership or person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, owning, operating, controlling or managing any railroad or any cars or other equipment used thereon or in connection therewith within this state.

Railroad
company.

The term "express company," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, who shall engage in or transact the business of carrying any freight, merchandise or property for hire on the line of any common carrier operated in this state.

Express
company.

The term "common carrier," when used in this act, includes all railroads, railroad companies, street railroads, street railroad companies, steamboat companies, express companies, car companies, sleeping car companies, freight companies, freight line companies, and every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, and every city or town, owning, operating, managing or controlling any such agency

Common
carrier.

for public use in the conveyance of persons or property for hire within this state.

Gas plant.

The term "gas plant," when used in this act, includes all real estate, fixtures and personal property, owned, leased, controlled, used or to be used for or in connection with or to facilitate the manufacture, distribution, sale or furnishing of gas (natural or manufactured) for light, heat or power.

Gas company.

The term "gas company," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, and every city or town, owning, controlling, operating or managing any gas plant within this state.

Electric plant.

The term "electric plant," when used in this act, includes all real estate, fixtures and personal property operated, owned, used or to be used for or in connection with or to facilitate the generation, transmission, distribution, sale or furnishing of electricity for light, heat, or power for hire; and any conduits, ducts or other devices, materials, apparatus or property for containing, holding or carrying conductors used or to be used for the transmission of electricity for light, heat or power.

Electrical company.

The term "electrical company," when used in this act, includes any corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever (other than a railroad or street railroad company generating electricity solely for railroad or street railroad purposes or for the use of its tenants and not for sale to others), and every city or town owning, operating or managing any electric plant for hire within this state.

Transportation of property.

The term "transportation of property," when used in this act, includes any service in connection with the receiving, delivery, elevation, transfer in

transit, ventilation, refrigeration, icing, storage and handling of the property transported, and the transmission of credit.

The term "transportation of persons," when used in this act, includes any service in connection with the receiving, carriage and delivery of the person transported and his baggage and all facilities used, or necessary to be used in connection with the safety, comfort and convenience of the person transported.

Transportation of persons.

The term "service" is used in this act in its broadest and most inclusive sense.

Service.

The term "telephone company," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, and every city or town owning, operating or managing any telephone line or part of telephone line used in the conduct of the business of affording telephonic communication for hire within this state.

Telephone company.

The term "telephone line," when used in this act, includes conduits, ducts, poles, wires, cables, cross-arms, receivers, transmitters, instruments, machines, appliances, instrumentalities and all devices, real estate, easements, apparatus, property and routes used, operated, owned or controlled by any telephone company to facilitate the business of affording telephonic communication.

Telephone line.

The term "telegraph company," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, owning, operating or managing any telegraph line or part of telegraph line used in the conduct of the business of affording for hire communication by telegraph within this state.

Telegraph company.

Telegraph
line.

The term "telegraph line," when used in this act, includes conduits, poles, wire, cables, cross-arms, instruments, machines, appliances, instrumentalities and all devices, real estate, easements, apparatus, property and routes used, operated or owned by any telegraph company to facilitate the business of affording communication by telegraph.

Water
system.

The term "water system," when used in this act, includes all real estate, easements, fixtures, personal property, dams, dikes, head gates, weirs, canals, reservoirs, flumes or other structures or appliances operated, owned, used or to be used for or in connection with or to facilitate the supply, storage, distribution, sale, furnishing, diversion, carriage, apportionment or measurement of water for power, irrigation, reclamation, manufacturing, municipal, domestic or other beneficial uses for hire.

Water
company.

The term "water company," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, and every city or town owning, controlling, operating or managing any water system for hire within this state.

Vessel.

The term "vessel," when used in this act, includes every species of water craft, by whatsoever power operated, for the public use in the conveyance of persons or property for hire over and upon the waters within this state, including tow boats, tugs, scows, barges and lighters (excepting row boats and sailing boats under twenty gross tons burden, open steam launches of five tons gross and under, and vessels under five tons gross propelled, by gas, fluid, naphtha or electric motors).

Steamboat
company.

The term "steamboat company," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by

any court whatsoever, owning, controlling, leasing, operating or managing any vessel over and upon the waters of this state.

The term "dock" or "wharf," when used in this act, includes any and all structures at which any steamboat, vessel or other water craft lands for the purpose of receiving or discharging freight from or for the public, together with any building or warehouse used for storing such freight for the public for hire.

Dock or wharf.

The term "warehouse," when used in this act, includes any building or structure in which freight is received for storage from the public for hire, intended for shipment or discharged by any water craft.

Warehouse.

The term "wharfinger" or "warehouseman," when used in this act, includes every corporation, company, association, joint stock association, partnership and person, their lessees, trustees or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever, operating or managing any dock, wharf or structure where steamboats, vessels or other water craft land for the purpose of discharging freight for the public, and where such freight is received on such dock, wharf or structure for the public for hire within this state.

Wharfinger, warehouseman.

The term "public service company," when used in this act, includes every common carrier, gas company, electrical company, water company, telephone company, telegraph company, wharfinger and warehouseman as such terms are defined in this section.

Public service company

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