

treasurer for the amounts found due thereon in favor of the treasurer of Snohomish county, and the sum of two hundred ninety-five and $\frac{70}{100}$ (\$295.70) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to pay the amounts found to be due by the state auditor.

Passed the House February 10, 1897.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1897.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1897.

CHAPTER CV.

[H. B. No. 318.]

RELATING TO ROAD DISTRICT FUNDS.

AN ACT providing for the disposition of certain funds collected for road purposes from the property subsequently included within the corporate limits of any city or town, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That in all cases where the treasurer of any county in this state has heretofore collected, or may hereafter collect, taxes, penalty and interest levied and assessed for road purposes on the taxable property of any road district, or any portion thereof, which has been included within the limits of any municipal corporation organized subsequently to said road district, said funds realized from said taxes, penalty and interest so collected, or so much thereof as has been collected, from the taxable property within the territory subsequently included in a city or town, which funds shall not have been paid out or expended before the organization of said city or town shall, upon demand of said city or town, be paid over to said municipal corporation, and shall be applied by the authorities of the same for street purposes.

SEC. 2. There being certain funds in many cases so collected heretofore and now being in the hands of the treas-

Disposition
of certain
road taxes.

urers of the various counties of this state, which said funds were collected for road purposes in certain road districts that have subsequently been abandoned by virtue of the incorporation of the territory of said road districts within the corporate limits of certain cities and towns of this state, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act shall be enforced from and after its passage.

Passed the House March 1, 1897.

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CHAPTER CVI.

[H. B. No. 393.]

AUTHORIZING CITIES AND TOWNS TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PUBLIC PROPERTY.

AN ACT to authorize cities and towns which have purchased or constructed water works, or gas or electric light works, to lease or sell the same, and to ratify and confirm leases or sales of the same heretofore made by such cities and towns.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever any city or town in this state shall have purchased or constructed a system of water works, or a gas or electric light works, it shall be lawful for such city or town to sell such water works, or gas or electric light works, or to lease the same for a term of years, in the manner hereinafter prescribed.

Municipality
may sell or
lease water or
light plant.

SEC. 2. The council of such city or town shall ascertain, and by resolution declare, that the system of water works, or gas or electric light works, which it is proposed to sell or lease, cannot be operated by such city or town, so as to repay the cost and expense of operation, and interest on the capital invested therein, and the necessary depreciation thereof, and that the same is, or threatens to become, a burdensome charge upon the taxpayers of such city or town.