

CHAPTER 134.

[S. B. 211.]

COUNTY ROADS OVER AND ALONG DIKES.

AN ACT relating to the establishment of highways across and along dikes.

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

Power to
establish.

SECTION 1. The board of county commissioners of any county shall have the power to establish county roads over, across or along any dike maintained by any diking, or diking and drainage district, in the manner provided by law for establishing county roads over or across private property, and shall determine and award the damages, if any, to the district and to the owners of the land upon which the dike is constructed and maintained: *Provided*, That every such road shall be so constructed, maintained and used as not to impair the use of the dike.

Proceedings
to procure
right-of-way.

SEC. 2. If any award of damages is not accepted in the manner provided by law, it shall be deemed rejected, and the board, by order, shall direct proceedings to procure the right-of-way to be instituted in the superior court of the county by the prosecuting attorney of the county in the manner provided by law for the taking of private property for public use, and to that end the board is hereby authorized to institute and maintain in the name of the county such proceedings as against the diking, or diking and drainage district, and the owners of any land on which the dike is located that have failed to accept the award of damages made by the board.

Passed the Senate March 3, 1921.

Passed the House March 10, 1921.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1921.