

CHAPTER XXIII.

[S. B. No. 152.]

TO PROHIBIT "BLACKLISTING"—PENALTIES.

AN ACT for the protection of employes, and to prohibit the practice of "blacklisting," and providing penalties for its violation.

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

Blacklisting
prohibited.

SECTION 1. Every person in this state who shall wilfully and maliciously, send or deliver, or make or cause to be made, for the purpose of being delivered or sent or part with the possession of any paper, letter or writing, with or without name signed thereto, or signed with a fictitious name, or with any letter, mark or other designation, or publish or cause to be published any statement for the purpose of preventing any other person from obtaining employment in this state or elsewhere, and every person who shall wilfully and maliciously "blacklist" or cause to be "blacklisted" any person or persons, by writing, printing or publishing, or causing the same to be done, the name, or mark, or designation representing the name of any person in any paper, pamphlet, circular or book, together with any statement concerning persons so named, or publish or cause to be published that any person is a member of any secret organization, for the purpose of preventing such person from securing employment, or who shall wilfully and maliciously make or issue any statement or paper that will tend to influence or prejudice the mind of any employer against the person of such person seeking employment, or any person who shall do any of the things mentioned in this section for the purpose of causing the discharge of any person employed by any railroad or other company, corporation, individual or individuals, shall, on conviction thereof, be adjudged guilty of misdemeanor and punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, or by imprison-

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ment in the county jail for not less than ninety days nor more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Passed the Senate February 27, 1899.

Passed the House February 27, 1899.

Approved March 3, 1899.

CHAPTER XXIV.

[S. B. No. 11.]

COMPETENCY OF JURORS.

AN ACT to amend section 55 of Volume 2 of Hill's Codes of Washington, relating to the competency of jurors.

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

SECTION 1. Section 55 of Volume 2, Hill's Code of Washington, is hereby amended to read as follows :

Section 55. A person is not competent to act as a juror unless he be—

1. An elector of the State of Washington.
2. A male inhabitant of the county in which he is returned and who has been an inhabitant thereof for the year next preceding the time he is drawn or called.
3. Over twenty-one years of age.
4. In possession of his natural faculties and of sound mind.
5. Able to read and write the English language.
6. A person who has been convicted of a felony is not competent to act as juror.

Passed the Senate January 28, 1899.

Passed the House March 1, 1899.

Approved March 3, 1899.