

sion of law to the contrary, any municipality of the second, third or fourth class may call for bids for garbage collection and disposal for a period of five years or less but in no case for more than five years. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. Nothing in this section is intended to repeal, amend or change chapter 282, Section 1, Session Laws 1957 (RCW 35.13.280).

Passed the Senate February 5, 1963.

Passed the House March 11, 1963.

Approved by the Governor March 25, 1963.

CHAPTER 131.

[S. B. 11.]

CITIES, THIRD CLASS—AMBULANCE SERVICE.

AN ACT relating to third class cities; and adding a new section to chapter 184, Laws of 1915 and to chapter 35.24 RCW.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 184, Laws of 1915 and to chapter 35.24 RCW a new section to read as follows: New section.

In incorporated cities of the third class where commercial ambulance service is not readily available, the city shall have the power: Third class cities—Ambulance service.

(1) To authorize the operation of municipally-owned ambulances which may serve the city and may serve for emergencies surrounding rural areas;

(2) To authorize the operation of other municipally-owned first aid equipment which may serve the city and surrounding rural areas;

(3) To contract with the county or with another municipality for emergency use of city-owned ambulances or other first aid equipment: *Provided*, Proviso.
That the county or other municipality shall contrib-

ute at least the cost of maintenance and operation of the equipment attributable to its use thereof; and

(4) To provide that such ambulance service may be used to transport persons in need of emergency hospital care to hospitals beyond the city limits.

Proviso.

The council may, in its discretion, make a charge for the service authorized by this section: *Provided*, That such ambulance service shall not enter into competition or competitive bidding where private ambulance service is available.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1963.

Passed the House March 10, 1963.

Approved by the Governor March 25, 1963.

CHAPTER 132.

[S. B. 352.]

CORPORATE SECURITIES—TRANSFERS—JOINT TENANCY.

AN ACT relating to corporations and to the transfer of shares of stock and other securities issued by corporations in joint tenancy form; and adding a new section to chapter 23.01 RCW.

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

New section.

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 23.01 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Private business corporations act. Shares owned in joint tenancy, transfer of—Presumptions—Liability.

Whenever certificates for shares or other securities issued by domestic or foreign corporations are or have been issued or transferred to two or more persons in joint tenancy form on the books or records of the corporation, it is presumed in favor of the corporation, its registrar and its transfer agent that the shares or other securities are owned by such persons in joint tenancy and not otherwise. A domestic or foreign corporation or its registrar or transfer agent is not liable for transferring or