

government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate February 27, 1917.

Passed the House March 5, 1917.

Approved by the Governor March 10, 1917.

CHAPTER 77.

[S. B. 278.]

EXPENDITURE OF COUNTY FUNDS ON STATE ROADS.

AN ACT relating to public highways, providing for the expending of certain funds of counties on such highways, and amending section 5878-6 of Remington & Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That section 5878-6 of Rem. & Bal. Code be amended to read as follows:

Section 5878-6. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the authorities of any county or road district from expending the road funds of such county or road district or funds obtained from the sale of bonds upon primary or secondary highways either for construction, maintenance or right-of-way, and they are hereby empowered so to do, the only exception being that when any section of the primary highway has been constructed by the state any expenditures made upon said portion of said primary highway shall be under the direction of the state highway commissioner: *Provided*, That the county commissioners may, when the estimated cost of such expenditure exceeds the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), place the construction or improvement of such highway under the supervision and control of the state highway commissioner, who shall take full charge of the same, the actual expenses of said highway commissioner in the supervision of said construction to become a part of the expenses of the county in constructing said

County and district expenditures on state roads.

Expenditure under state supervision.

highway, and shall be audited and paid out of such county funds.

Passed the Senate March 3, 1917.

Passed the House March 7, 1917.

Approved by the Governor March 10, 1917.

CHAPTER 78.

[S. B. 227.]

GUIDE POSTS ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

AN ACT relating to public highways, providing for the construction and maintenance of uniform signboards or guide posts thereon, prohibiting the defacing, destruction or counterfeiting of same, and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

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

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the state highway commissioner to prepare plans and specifications for signboards or guide posts, making them uniform and of standard style, to be used on the public highways, with a plan of proper and suitable inscription thereon, furnishing suitable information as to ways and distances to travelers, using such colors and designs as the commissioner may deem advisable, and to at once furnish said plans and specifications to the board of county commissioners of each county and the governing body of each incorporated city or town within the state.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county to construct and maintain on the public highways outside of incorporated cities and towns, at all crossroads or forks of roads, signboards or guide posts according to the plans, specifications and locations furnished by the state highway commissioner.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the governing body of incorporated cities and towns throughout the state to construct and maintain signboards or guide posts on the state

Standard style to be prepared.

Counties to maintain.

Cities to maintain on state highways.