

## CHAPTER LXXXIV.

[H. B. No. 499.]

GIVING HONORABLY DISCHARGED UNION SOLDIERS  
PREFERENCE IN PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND AP-  
POINTMENTS.

AN ACT giving honorably discharged union soldiers and sailors a preference to all public employment and appointments in this state.

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

SECTION 1. In every public department, and upon all public works of the State of Washington, and of any county thereof, honorably discharged union soldiers and sailors shall be preferred for appointment and employment; age, loss of limb, or other physical impairment which does not, in fact, incapacitate, shall not be deemed to disqualify them, provided they possess the business capacity necessary to discharge the duties of the position involved.

SEC. 2. And all officials or other persons having power to appoint to or employment in the public service set forth in the first section of this act, are charged with a faithful compliance with its terms, both in letter and in spirit, and a failure therein shall be a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars.

Passed the house March 11, 1895.

Passed the senate March 14, 1895.

Approved March 19, 1895.