

CHAPTER 165.

[S. B. 142.]

DISSOLUTION OF DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to the dissolution of drainage districts, and declaring an emergency.

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

Petition. SECTION 1. That any drainage district in the State of Washington may be dissolved by the order of the superior court of the county wherein the same is organized, upon a hearing had upon a verified petition praying for such dissolution, signed by not less than two-thirds of the adult land owners of such district, who own in the aggregate not less than three-fourths in area of the land contained in said drainage district, when it shall be determined by the court, that not less than four weeks' notice of such hearing has been given by posting notices in five of the most public places of the district sought to be dissolved, and by the insertion in a weekly newspaper of such county for four successive weeks next prior to such hearing, and the costs of dissolution have been advanced and that it is for the best interest of the land owners in said district that the same be dissolved: *Provided*, The ditches, drains, dikes and other improvements of dissolved districts, shall be and remain for the common use of the land owners in said district so dissolved.

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Sale of property. SEC. 2. If said dissolved district owns any property, either real or personal, other than such ditches, drains, dikes or other improvements, it may be sold by an order of the superior court, directed to the sheriff of said county, whose duty it shall be to advertise and sell such property in manner otherwise provided by law for the sale of real and personal property, and the proceeds of such sale, after the costs are paid, shall be used to pay any indebtedness of such dissolved district. If the indebtedness of any such district exceeds the amount received from the sale of such property the amount of such excess shall be certified to

Payment of indebtedness.

the auditor of the county in which such district is located and the amount thereof shall be levied against and apportioned to the lands in such district in proportion to and upon the basis of the value of such lands as fixed by the last preceding equalized assessment roll of said county and said amount shall be added to the general taxes against said lands and collected therewith. If the amount received from the sale of any property in such district exceeds the indebtedness of such district the excess shall be distributed to the land owners of such district in proportion to the value of their respective holdings therein.

SEC. 3. An emergency exists, and this act shall go into Emergency. effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 1st, 1907.

Passed the House March 11th, 1907.

Approved by the Governor March 13th, 1907.

CHAPTER 166.

[H. B. 186.]

GOVERNMENT, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF THE PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND CAPITOL BUILDING OF THE STATE.

AN ACT relating to the government, management and control of the state's public institutions and educational institutions and its capitol building and grounds, and amending sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 13, of an act entitled "An act to create a State Board of Control, and to provide for the government, control and maintenance of the Western Washington Hospital for the Insane, the Eastern Washington Hospital for the Insane, the State Penitentiary, the State Reform School, the State Soldiers' Home and the State School for Defective Youth; repealing all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency," approved March 16, 1901.

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

SECTION 1. That section (1) of said act be amended to read as follows: Section 1. The Governor of the State shall, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint a bi-partisan board consisting of three citizens of the State, not more than two of whom shall belong to the

Governor shall appoint State Board of Control.