

CHAPTER LXX.

[S. B. No. 288.]

RELATING TO FEES TO BE COLLECTED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

AN ACT fixing the fees to be paid to the secretary of state by corporations doing business in this state, and declaring an emergency.

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

Fees for filing and recording articles of incorporation.

SECTION 1. Every corporation incorporated under the laws of this state, or of any state or territory of the United States, or of any foreign state, having a capital stock divided into shares, shall pay to the secretary of state, for the use of the state, the following fees: Every corporation having a capital stock, \$10; the said fee to be due and payable upon the filing of the articles of incorporation in the office of the secretary of state, and no such corporation shall have or exercise any corporate powers, or be permitted to do any business in this state, until the said fees shall have been paid, and the secretary of state shall not file any articles of incorporation or their equivalent or give any certificate thereof, until the said fees shall have been paid.

Articles amendatory or supplemental.

SEC. 2. Every corporation desiring to file articles amendatory or supplemental, or certificate of increase or decrease of capital stock, shall pay to the secretary of state, for the use of the state, the fee of ten dollars.

Certified copies.

SEC. 3. The fee for furnishing a certified copy of articles of incorporation, with the seal of the state attached, shall be five dollars, payable to the secretary of state, for the use of the state, upon application therefor.

No folio charge except where there are more than 20 folios.

SEC. 4. There shall be no folio charge for recording articles of incorporation, or for preparing certified copies of the same, the fees herein prescribed covering all charges for filing and recording articles of incorporation, issuing a certificate thereof, and making and certifying to copies of the same: *Provided, however,* That where the articles to be recorded, or copied or certified to, shall exceed

twenty folios, there shall be a further charge of fifteen cents per folio for all such excess.

SEC. 5. Every corporation incorporated under the laws of this state, and every foreign corporation having its articles of incorporation on file in the office of the secretary of state shall, on or before the first day of July of each and every year, pay to the secretary of state, for the use of the state, the following license fees: Every corporation having a capital stock, ten dollars. Every corporation failing to pay the said annual license fee, on or before the first day of July of each and every year, and desiring to pay the same thereafter, and before the first day of January next following, shall pay to the secretary of state, for the use of the state, in addition to the said license fee, the following further fee, as a penalty for such failure: Every corporation, two dollars and fifty cents. Every corporation failing to pay the said license fees and penalties on or before the thirty-first day of December of any year shall forfeit the sum of five dollars for every day which it shall continue to do business as a corporation after said date, to be recovered in an action in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Annual tax
of \$10.00.

Penalty, \$2.50.

Further pen-
alty, \$5.00
per day.

SEC. 6. This act shall not apply to corporations not for pecuniary profit, or to corporations organized for religious, social, fraternal, charitable, benevolent or educational purposes, nor to such insurance companies as are required to pay an annual license under the insurance laws of this state.

Certain
corporations
excepted.

SEC. 7. An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 10, 1897.

Passed the House March 11, 1897.

Approved by the Governor March 13, 1897.