

CHAPTER 113.

[S. B. No. 170.]

AMENDING ACT FOR GOVERNMENT OF CITIES OF THIRD CLASS.

AN ACT relating to the government of cities of the third class, providing for the appointment of officers and for procedure in police courts, and amending sections 6 and 29 of chapter 184 of the Session Laws of 1915.

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

SECTION 1. That section 6 of chapter 184 of the Session Laws of 1915, be amended to read as follows:

Section 6. Any vacancy occurring in any of the offices provided for in this chapter shall be filled by appointment by the mayor, but if such office be elective, such appointee shall hold office only until the next regular election, at which time a person shall be elected to serve for the remainder of such unexpired term. In case a member of the city council shall absent himself for three consecutive regular meetings thereof, unless by permission of the city council, his office may be declared vacant by the city council, and any vacancies in the city council or in the office of mayor shall be filled by a majority vote of such city council. A temporary vacancy in any of the appointive offices provided for in this chapter caused by the illness, absence from the city or other temporary inability to act of the incumbent, may be filled by appointment by the mayor; such appointee to exercise the duties of the office until the said temporary disability is removed.

Vacancies,
how filled.

Temporary
vacancies.

SEC. 2. That section 29 of chapter 184 of the Session Laws of 1915 be amended to read as follows:

Section 29. At the time he shall make his other appointments, the mayor shall appoint a police

Police
judge.

judge who shall be the regular elected justice of the peace in all cities of the third class, having a population of five thousand or more, if there be any such justice of the peace present in the said city and not under any disability. Said police judge shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, give such additional bond to the city for the faithful performance of his duties as the city council may by ordinance direct, and shall receive such salary in addition to his salary as justice of the peace as the council shall by ordinance direct. The police judge so appointed, in addition to his powers as justice of the peace, shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all offenses defined by any ordinance of the city, and all other actions brought to enforce or recover any license, penalty or forfeiture declared or given by any such ordinance, and full power to forfeit bail bonds and issue execution thereon and full power to forfeit cash bail, and full power and authority to hear and determine all causes, civil or criminal, arising under such ordinance, and pronounce judgment in accordance therewith: *Provided*, That for the violation of a criminal ordinance no greater punishment shall be imposed than a fine of three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or imprisonment not to exceed ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. In the trial of actions brought for the violation of any city ordinance, no jury shall be allowed. All civil or criminal proceedings before such police judge and judgments rendered by him shall be subject to review in the superior court of the proper county by writ of review or appeal. In actions brought before such police judge to enforce or recover any license, penalty or forfeiture declared or given by any ordinance, and in all other civil actions, the manner of commencing the same, the manner of obtaining service upon the defendants, the procedure during the

Jurisdiction.

Procedure.

pendency of the action and for the enforcement of the judgment obtained, if any, and the procedure in appeal therefrom, together with the time limitations upon such appeals, shall be as provided in the case of civil actions before justices of the peace.

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Approved by the Governor March 13, 1919.

CHAPTER 114.

[A. S. S. B. No. 6.]

CONTROL AND TREATMENT OF VENEREAL DISEASES.

AN ACT relating to the detection, control, prevention and spread of venereal diseases, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

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

SECTION 1. That syphilis, gonorrhoea and chancroid hereinafter designated as venereal diseases are hereby declared to be contagious, infectious, communicable and dangerous to the public health. It shall be unlawful for anyone infected with these diseases or any of them to expose another person to infection.

Communica-
tion of
venereal
diseases.

SEC. 2. State, county and municipal health officers, or their authorized deputies, who are licensed physicians, within their respective jurisdictions are hereby directed and empowered, when in their judgment it is necessary to protect the public health, to make examination of persons reasonably suspected of being infected with venereal disease of a communicable nature, and to require persons infected with venereal disease of such communicable nature to report for treatment to a reputable physician and continue treatment until cured, or to submit

Powers of
health
officers.