

Applications
and excep-
tions.

in any manner the business of insurance of any character in this state: *Provided*, That the provisions of this act shall not apply to secret or fraternal societies, lodges or councils which conduct their business and secure membership on the lodge system exclusively, having ritualistic work and ceremonies in their societies, lodges or councils, nor to any mutual or benefit association organized or formed and composed only of members of any such society, lodge or council exclusively: *Provided*, That the provisions of this act pertaining to capital stock shall not apply to assessment, life and accident insurance companies maintaining an absolute and unimpaired reserve fund of at least twenty thousand dollars in cash or available securities.

Combinations
and agree-
ments pro-
hibited.

SEC. 9. If a licensed insurance company shall enter into a contract or combination with other insurance companies for the purpose of controlling the rates to be charged for insurance upon property within this state, the commissioner shall forthwith revoke its license and those of its agents, and no renewal of the licenses shall be granted until after the expiration of three years from the date of final revocation.

Passed the House March 4, 1897.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1897.

Approved by the Governor March 13, 1897.

CHAPTER LXVI.

[S. B. No. 243.]

RELATING TO JUSTICES AND CONSTABLES.

AN ACT relating to justices of the peace and constables in cities having more than five thousand inhabitants, and fixing their number and salaries.

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

SECTION 1. There shall be elected at the general election to be held in November, 1898, and biennially thereafter

After Novem-
ber, 1898, in
cities over
5,000, one
justice only.

in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants only one justice of the peace and one constable and no more.

SEC. 2. The salaries of justices of the peace and constables elected at the general election to be held in November, 1898, and biennially thereafter in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants shall be as follows:

1. Salaries of justices of the peace, twelve hundred dollars per annum, payable as now provided by law.

2. Salaries of constables, seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum, payable as now provided by law.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1897.

Passed the House March 11, 1897.

Approved by the Governor March 13, 1897.

CHAPTER LXVII.

[S. B. No. 252.]

RELATING TO MONEYS RECEIVED IN SUPPORT OF THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

AN ACT relating to the disposition of moneys received from the United States for the support of the soldiers' home of the State of Washington, and repealing an act entitled "An act authorizing the state treasurer to receive from the United States any sum of money for the benefit of the Washington State Soldiers' Home, under the provisions of the act of congress approved August 27th, 1888, entitled 'An act to provide aid for state or territorial homes for the support of disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States,' and declaring an emergency," approved February 20th, 1893.

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

SECTION 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized to receive any and all moneys appropriated or paid by the United States under the act of congress entitled "An act to provide aid to state or territorial homes for disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States," approved August 27, 1888, or under any other act or acts of congress for the benefit of such homes. Such moneys

United States
fund for
soldiers' home.