## CHAPTER LIII. [S. B. No. 100.]

## RELATING TO ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

AN ACT to amend section 4530 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington in relation to acknowledgments.

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

SECTION 1. That section 4530 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington be, and the same hereby is, amended to read as follows, to-wit: Sec. 4530. Amendment. Acknowledgments of all deeds, mortgages and other instruments in writing that are required to be acknowl- Acknowledgedged by any law of this state may be made and taken in any foreign conntry beyond the limits of the United States, before any minister plenipotentiary, Before whom. secretary of legation,°charge d' affaires, consul general, consul, vice consul, consular agent, or commercial agent appointed by the government of the United States, or before any notary public or before the proper officer of any court of said country, or before the mayor or other chief magistrate of any city, town or other municipal corporation therein. All deeds, Valid when previously so mortgages and other instruments at any time hereto- acknowledged. fore acknowledged according to the provisions of this act are hereby declared legal and valid. Provided: Proviso. That the provisions of this section shall not affect any existing rights.

Passed the Senate February 5, 1901. Passed the House February 20, 1901. Approved by the Governor March 6, 1901.