CHAPTER LXXXIII.

[S. B. No. 148.]

APPROPRIATION FOR WHITE SHIELD HOME, OF TACOMA.

AN ACT appropriating money for the White Shield Home, of Tacoma.

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

Section 1. That there is hereby appropriated out of any moneys, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of Appropriation. twelve hundred dollars for the benefit of the White Shield Home, of Tacoma, Washington, said sum to be paid in monthly instalments of \$50 each, commencing Monthly instalments. April 1st, 1901, and continuing for the period of twenty-four months. The State Auditor is hereby instructed to draw monthly warrants for the same, payable to the order of the treasurer of the board of managers of said White Shield Home, of Tacoma, Washington.

Passed the Senate February 28, 1901. Passed the House March 13, 1901. Approved by the Governor, March 16, 1901.

CHAPTER LXXXIV.

[S. B. No. 83.]

RELATING TO VACATION OF STREETS AND ALLEYS.

AN ACT relating to the vacation of streets and alleys, and parts of streets and alleys, in incorporated cities and towns.

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

SECTION 1. That any person or body corporate in any city owning an interest in any real estate abutting upon Petition. any street or alley who may desire to vacate such street or alley, or any part thereof may petition the city council of such city or town to make vacation, giving a description of the property to be vacated, which petition shall be filed with the city clerk of said city or town; Filed with city and, (if said petition shall be signed by the owners of more than two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the private property abut-

Hearing.

ting upon the part of such street or alley sought to be vacated) said city council shall, by resolution, fix a time when said petition shall be heard and determined. which time shall not be more than sixty (60) days, nor less than twenty (20) days after the date of the passage of such resolution and upon the passage of such reso-Duty of clerk. lution it shall be the duty of the city or town clerk to give twenty (20) days' notice of the pendency of said petition by a written or printed notice set up in three (3) of the most public places in said city or town and a like notice in a conspicuous place on the street or alley sought to be vacated, which said notice shall contain a statement that a petition has been filed to vacate said street or alley which shall be described in said notice, together with a statement of the time and place fixed for the hearing of said petition.

Notice.

SEC. 2. At the time appointed for the hearing of said petition or at such time as the time may be adjourned to by the city council, the same shall be heard, and if the council shall determine to grant said petition or any part thereof, such city or town shall be authorized and have authority by ordinance to vacate such street, or alley or any part thereof.

Vacation by ordinance

Vacated por-tion to belong to abutting property own-ers. one-half to each.

Exception.

Sec. 3. That when any street, alley or public way in any incorporated city or town in this state has heretofore been or may hereafter be vacated by the council or legislative body of said city or town, the property within the limits of any such street, alley or public way so vacated shall belong to the abutting property owners, one-half to each, unless within six months after the taking effect of this act, any person or corporation, who may feel himself or itself aggrieved by such a division, may commence an action in the proper courts of this state to determine the title to any such street, alley or public way so vacated.

Vested rights.

SEC. 4. No vested rights shall be affected by the provisions of this act.

Passed the Senate March 4, 1901.

Passed the House March 14, 1901.

Approved by the Governor, March 16, 1901.