

act are hereby repealed: *Provided*, That this repeal shall not affect any proceeding now pending in any court, and any proceeding now pending may be prosecuted to completion under the acts heretofore in force.

Passed the House March 10, 1903.

Passed the Senate March 12, 1903.

(Note by the Secretary of State).—The above act was filed in the office of the Secretary of State on the 17th day of March, 1903, at 3:30 p. m., without the approval or disapproval of the Governor thereof.

SAM H. NICHOLS,  
Secretary of State.

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## CHAPTER 174.

[S. B. No. 83.]

### FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIRS AND TO PROVIDE FUNDS THEREFOR.

AN ACT to encourage County agricultural associations and fairs, and to provide funds therefor.

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

SECTION 1. That any agricultural fair association which has a corporate existence for the purpose and object of holding a fair and agricultural exhibition of stock, ceareals and agricultural produce of all kinds, including dairy produce as well as arts and manufactures in any county, may apply to the board of county commissioners of such county for a grant to pay expenses and premiums awarded.

SEC. 2. To enable the said board of county commissioners to give said grant, they may, in their discretion, at the time of making the regular annual tax levy, levy a tax not to exceed one-half of one mill on the dollar of all the taxable property in the county, which shall be collected as other taxes: *Provided*, That in counties of the third and fourth classes such tax shall not exceed one-fourth of one mill on the dollar and in counties of the first and second classes such tax shall not exceed one-eighth of one mill on the dollar of all the taxable property in such counties: *And provided, further*, That the board of county commissioners

May apply  
for grant to  
pay expenses.

Levy of tax  
for expenses.

shall be ex-officio members of the county agricultural fair association in all counties where tax levies are made under the provisions of this act.

Payment of  
tax to fair  
directors.

SEC. 3. The said board of county commissioners shall, not later than July 31st, annually, cause to be paid to the said county fair directors or their duly authorized secretary and treasurer, the amount of the tax collected: *Provided, however,* That no more than one county agricultural fair shall be held in each county in any one year; and said county fair association so applying for the benefit of the aforesaid grant, must have had a corporate existence and must have held at least two successive annual fairs and exhibitions immediately preceding the application for the grant, and must own buildings and other necessary improvements for said annual exhibition to the value of four thousand dollars.

Passed the Senate February 16, 1903.

Passed the House March 11, 1903.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1903.

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## CHAPTER 175.

[S. B. No. 86.]

### RELATING TO ELECTRIC RAILROADS AND RAILWAYS.

AN ACT relating to electric railroads, street and other electric railways, and corporations incorporated for the construction, ownership or operation thereof, the right of eminent domain therefor, the use of streets and roads thereby and leases and sales thereof heretofore or hereafter made.

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

Authority to  
construct—  
how and by  
whom  
granted.

SECTION 1. The legislative authority of the city or town having control of any public street or road, or, where such street or road is not within the limits of any incorporated city or town, then the board of county commissioners of the county wherein such road or street is situated, may grant authority for the construction, maintenance and operation of electric railroads or railways, together with such