

## CHAPTER 74.

[H. B. No. 157.]

## AMENDING ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SURVEY, SELECTION, MANAGEMENT, AND DISPOSITION OF THE STATE'S GRANTED, SCHOOL, TIDE, OYSTER AND OTHER LANDS.

AN ACT to amend section 11 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the selection, survey, management, reclamation, lease and disposition of the State's granted, school, tide, oyster and other lands, harbor areas, and for the confirmation and completion of the several grants to the State by the United States; creating a Board of Appraisers and a Board of Harbor Line Commissioners as required by articles XV and XVI of the State Constitution, which shall be generally known as the Board of State Land Commissioners; defining their duties, and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," approved March 16, 1897.

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

SECTION 1. That section 11 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the selection, survey, management, reclamation, lease and disposition of the State's granted, school, tide, oyster and other lands, harbor areas, and for the confirmation and completion of the several grants to the State by the United States; creating a Board of Appraisers and a Board of Harbor Line Commissioners, as required by articles XV and XVI of the State Constitution, which shall be generally known as the Board of State Land Commissioners, defining their duties and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," approved March 16, 1897, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 11. That any person or company may make written application to the Board of Appraisers for the appraisal and sale of any lands belonging to the State, and said board shall cause to be prepared blank applications containing such instructions as will inform and aid intending purchasers in making application for the appraisal and sale of any lands. Each application must be accompanied with certificate of deposit or certified check upon any bank of this State, made payable to the State Treasurer and equal in amount to ten cents per acre for the

Application  
for appraisal  
and  
sale.

Proviso as to deposit. land described in such application: *Provided*, That such deposit may be made in cash or by postoffice money order, but in no case shall such deposit be less than ten dollars. In case the lands described in such application are sold at the time they are offered for sale, in accordance with such application, the amount of such deposit shall be returned to such applicant. If such lands be not sold, through fault of said applicant at such sale, such deposit shall be forfeited to the State, and shall be so declared by the said board, and the State Treasurer shall thereupon place said forfeited money to the credit of the general fund of the State. That when, in the judgment of the Board of Appraisers or the Commissioner of Public Lands, a sufficient number of applications have been received for the appraisal and sale of any lands belonging to the State, said Commissioner of Public Lands shall cause any of such lands so applied for to be personally inspected and appraised as to its character, topography, agriculture, timber, coal, mineral, stone or rock quarries, or grazing, its distance from any city, town, railroad, river, irrigation ditch or other waterways, when irrigation is required, and fully report the same to said Board or Commissioner of Public Lands, together with the Commissioner's or Appraiser's judgment as to its present prospective value, which said report shall be considered and thereupon a price per acre fixed for each quarter section and subdivision thereof, or lot or block, which shall not be less than ten dollars per acre for lands granted for educational purposes: *Provided*, That no more than one hundred and sixty acres (160) of any school or granted lands of the State shall be offered for sale in one parcel, and all lands within the limits of any incorporated city or town or within two miles of the boundary of such incorporated city or town, where the valuation of such lands shall be found by appraisal to exceed one hundred (\$100.00) dollars per acre, shall, before the same be sold, be platted into lots and blocks of not more than five acres in a block and not more than one block shall be offered for sale in one parcel, and said board is hereby authorized to plat such lands into lots and blocks, and all plats shall be filed in the office of the Commissioner of Public Lands: *Provided further*, That whenever application is made to purchase less than a section, the said Commissioner of Public Lands may order the inspection of an

Forfeiture of deposit.

Commissioner of Public Lands to order appraisal.

Acreage limit.

Plat—into lots and blocks.

entire section or sections: *Provided further*, That all school and granted lands for educational purposes may thereafter be sold at not less than the appraised value, when the purchase price realized for the timber thereon added to the appraised value of the land is \$10.00 per acre or in excess thereof.

Proviso, as to less than one section—and to school lands.

Passed the House February 13, 1903.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1903.

Approved by the Governor March 12, 1903.

## CHAPTER 75.

[S. B. No. 58.]

### AMENDING BALLINGER'S CODE RELATIVE TO ASSISTANCE FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

AN ACT to amend section 12 of an act entitled "An act to define the duties and provide for assistance for, and fix the compensation of the Secretary of State," received by the Governor March 28, 1890, the same being section 126 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That section 12 of an act entitled "An act to define the duties and provide for assistance for, and fix the compensation of the Secretary of State," received by the Governor March 28, 1890, the same being section 126 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows: Section 12. The Secretary of State may have one Assistant Secretary of State to be appointed by him in writing, and to continue during his pleasure. Such Assistant Secretary of State to have the power to perform any act or duty relating to the Secretary of State's office, that the Secretary of State has, and the Secretary of State shall be responsible for the acts of said Assistant.

Passed the Senate February 10, 1903.

Passed the House March 5, 1903.

Approved by the Governor March 12, 1903.