CHAPTER 25.

(S. B. No. 86)

EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL ATTORNEYS BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

AN ACT relating to the employment of special attorneys and counsel by County Commissioners.

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

SECTION I. It shall be unlawful for any Board of County Commissioners in any county in this State to employ, contract with or pay any special attorney or counsel to perform any duty which the Attorney General or any prosecuting attorney is authorized or required by law to perform, unless the contract of employment of said special attorney or counsel shall have been first reduced to writing and approved by the Superior Judge of said county or a majority of the judges thereof, in writing indorsed thereon: *Provided*, this act shall not prohibit the appointment of deputy prosecuting attorneys in the manner provided by law.

Passed the Senate February 1, 1905. Passed the House February 15, 1905. Approved by the Governor February 17, 1905.

CHAPTER 26.

(S. B. No. 31)

INTRODUCTION OF TESTIMONY GIVEN IN FORMER TRIALS.

AN ACT providing for the introduction of testimony given in a former trial, action or proceeding.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:
SECTION I. The testimony of any witness, deceased, or
out of the State, or for any other sufficient cause unable to
appear and testify, given in a former action or proceeding,
or in a former trial of the same cause or proceeding when