the head of the list of names thereon, without any petition in his behalf, unless in writing he should notify the city comptroller or city clerk to the contrary, and all the names upon said official ballot shall be printed without party or political designation, And provided, Nothing in this act No previous contained shall be held to prevent any city which had the right to make or amend its own charter from making and prescribing in such charter any provision for a system of nomination at recall elections which shall thereupon, control and direct its city officials in the preparation of the official ballot for use at such elections.

annulled.

SEC. 2. An emergency exists and this act shall take effect immediately.

Emergency.

Passed by the Senate January 16, 1911. Passed by the House January 18, 1911. Approved by the Governor January 20, 1911.

CHAPTER 3.

[S. B. 4.]

JOINT AID IN PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

An Act relating to the power of counties of the first class to engage or aid in the construction, enlargement, improvement, modification and repair or operation of harbors, canals, waterways, slips, docks, wharves, and other facilities and public improvements for purposes of commerce, navigation, sanitation and drainage, or any thereof, and acquisition of wharf sites, dock sites, and other properties, rights and interests necessary or proper to be acquired, for public enjoyment of any such improvement, and to incur such indebtedness therefor, and to issue bonds for payment of moneys from sale of the same, and validating elections and other proceedings heretofore had or held for incurring such indebtedness or issue of such bonds; and declaring an emergency.

[This act is intended to validate bonds issued in aid of the Lake Washington canal and is supplemental to §§ 8146 to 8165, Rem.-Bal.]

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

Section 1. That whenever the board of county commissioners of any county of the first class of this state shall deem it for the interest of the county to engage in Joint aid river and harbor improvements.

Issue bonds in payment.

Not to exceed 5 per cent. of taxable value of property.

Submit to

County purpose. or to aid the United States of America, the State of Washington, or any adjoining county or any city of this state, or any of them, in construction, enlargement, improvement, modification, repair or operation of any harbor, canal, waterway, river channel, slip, dock, wharf, or other public improvement, or any of the same, for the purposes of commerce, navigation, sanitation and drainage, or any thereof, or to acquire or operate wharf sites, dock sites, or other properties, rights or interests, or any thereof, necessary or proper to be acquired or operated for public enjoyment of any such public improvement, and to incur indebtedness to meet the cost thereof and expenses connected therewith, and issue bonds of the county for the payment of such indebtedness, or any thereof, such county is hereby authorized and empowered, by and through its county commissioners, to engage in or aid in any such public work or works, operation or acquisition, as aforesaid, and to incur indebtedness for such purpose or purposes to an amount, which, together with the then existing indebtedness of such county, shall not exceed five per centum of the taxable value of the taxable property in said county, as shown by the last previous assessment roll thereof for state and county purposes, and to issue the negotiable bonds of the county for all or any of such indebtedness and for the payment thereof, in the manner and form and as provided in sections 1846 to 1851, inclusive, of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, and other laws of this state which shall then be in force, and to make part or all of such payment in bonds or in moneys derived from sale or sales thereof, or partly in such bonds and partly in such money: Provided, That said commissioners shall have first submitted the question of incurring such indebtedness to the voters of the county at a general or special election, and three-fifths of the voters voting upon the question shall have voted in favor of incurring the same.

SEC. 2. That any and every such purpose as is mentioned in the foregoing section is hereby declared to be a county purpose.

Sec. 3. That, in case, at any special or general election, in any such county, the question of incurring any such indebtedness or issuing any such bonds has been submitted to the vote of the voters of such county at any time within one year next prior to the day when this act shall become voting prior to this act. a law and be in force, and the vote at such election was such as would have authorized, by sufficient majority of votes, the incurring of such indebtedness and the issuance of such bonds had this act been then in force, and such vote been taken pursuant to the provisions of this act, then, and in that case, such vote and all the proceedings in connection therewith had or taken, in manner and form aforesaid, be, and the same hereby are, validated and confirmed, and such county is authorized and empowered, by and through its county commissioners, to proceed with the matters of incurring such indebtedness and issuing such bonds, and payment of such indebtedness, by sale of such bonds, or otherwise, and with the matter of engaging or aiding in the construction or other public work or acquisition or operation, intended or contemplated in incurring such indebtedness, in substantially the same manner as in cases under section 1 of this act.

Commissioners em-powered by previous election.

An emergency exists and this act shall take Emergency. effect immediately.

Passed the Senate January 16, 1911.

Passed the House January 18, 1911.

Approved by the Governor January 25, 1911.