such appraisement: but if it finds that the appraisement was made at a greater or less sum than the market value of the property, or that the same was not fairly or in good faith made. it shall set aside the appraisement and determine such value. The state tax commissioner, or any one interested in the property appraised, may appeal to the supreme court from the order of the superior court in the premises.

Passed the House January 30, 1919. Passed the Senate February 6, 1919. Approved by the Governor February 14, 1919.

## CHAPTER 25.

#### [H. B. 28.]

## VIOLATIONS OF LIQUOR PROHIBITION LAW.

- AN ACT relating to prosecutions for the violation of the provisions of Initiative Measure No. 3, enacted by the people, November 3, 1914, and amending said act by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 23-a.
- Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. That Initiative Measure No. 3, enacted by the people November 3, 1914, be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as section 23-a and to read as follows:

Section 23-a. In any prosecution for the viola- Prosecution of the provisions of this act, it shall not be necessarv for the indictment or information, or complaint, to set forth any negative allegation, nor for the plaintiff to prove that the defendant does not come within any of the exceptions herein contained; but such exceptions shall be considered as a matter of de-

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fense, and the burden shall be upon defendant to show that he comes within such exceptions.

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## CHAPTER 26.

## [H. B. 5.]

## PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT OF SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

AN ACT relating to the employment of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the United States, and their widows, in the public departments and upon all public works of the State of Washington and of any county thereof, and amending section 8925 of Remington & Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That section 8925 of Rem. & Bal. Code be amended to read as follows:

Guaranteeing preference in employment. Section 8925. In every public department, and upon all public works of the State of Washington, and of any county thereof, honorably discharged union soldiers and sailors, and their widows, and honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, and their widows, of the Spanish-American War and the Philippine insurrection, and of the war with Germany and her allies, and their widows, shall be preferred for appointment and employment; age, loss of limb, or other physical impairment, which does not in fact incapacitate, shall not be deemed to disqualify them, provided they possess the business capacity necessary to discharge the duties of the position involved.

Passed the House January 28, 1919.

Passed the Senate February 5, 1919.

Approved by the Governor February 14, 1919.