which said contest is to be instituted, in the care of the secretary of state, at the state capitol, by registered mail, and it shall be the duty of the secretary of state upon the convening of the legislature to transmit said depositions, unopened, to the presiding officer of the Senate, or the House of Representatives, Sec'y of State as the case may be, to whom it is addressed, and in depositions to Legiscase such contest is instituted said depositions may be opened and read in evidence in the manner provided by law for the opening and introduction of depositions in civil actions in the superior court.

Passed the House January 31, 1927. Passed the Senate February 23, 1927. Approved by the Governor March 7, 1927.

CHAPTER 206.

[H. B. 200.1

TRANSFER OF STOCK IN CORPORATION BY MARRIED WOMEN.

An Act relating to the rights of married women in the transfer of, and the acceptance of dividends upon, stock in corporations, and the giving of proxies and powers of attorney in relation thereto.

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

Section 1. Shares of stock in corporations stand- Married ing in the name of a married woman may be transferred by her, her agent or attorney, without the signature of her husband, in the same manner as if such married woman were a feme sole. All dividends pay- Dividends. able upon any stock of a corporation standing in the name of a married woman shall be paid to such married woman, her agent or attorney, in the same manner as if she were unmarried, and it shall not be necessary for her husband to join in a receipt therefor; and any proxy or power given by a married woman

transfer corporation stock as a single woman.

touching any shares of stock of any corporation standing in her name, shall be valid and binding without the signature of her husband the same as if she were unmarried.

Passed the House February 4, 1927. Passed the Senate February 23, 1927. Approved by the Governor March 7, 1927.

CHAPTER 207.

[H. B. 234.]

POWERS OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS OF THE FOURTH CLASS.

An Act relating to the powers of municipal corporations of the fourth class, to levy and collect taxes and license certain kinds of business, amending Section 154 of an act entitled "An Act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency." Approved March 27, 1890, and repealing certain acts and parts of acts.

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

Statutes amended.

Section 1. That section 154, of an act entitled "An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency," approved March 27, 1890, Laws of 1889-90, pages 201-202, (as amended by section 1, of chapter 159 of the Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1925, pages 449-453; section 9175 of Remington's Compiled Statutes; section 837 of Pierce's 1919 Code) be amended to read as follows:

Powers of council.

Section 154. The council of said town shall have power:

Ordinances.

1. To pass ordinances not in conflict with the constitution and laws of this state, or of the United States;