CHAPTER 85.

[H. B. 371.]

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS BY CITIES.

An Act relating to municipal corporations; providing for proceedings for local improvements therein; and amending Section 12 of Chapter 98 of the Laws of 1911.

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

SECTION 1. That section 12 of chapter 98 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by section 1 of chapter 109 of the Laws of 1927 (section 9363 of Remington's Compiled Statutes, 1927 Supplement) be amended to read as follows:

Section 12. The council or other legislative body shall have jurisdiction to proceed with any such improvement initiated by petition or resolution: Provided. That in any city of the first class it appears from the certificate of the board, officer, or authority designated by charter or ordinance to determine the same that the proportion of the estimated cost and expense thereof to be assessed against the property in the proposed improvement district does not. exceed the assessed valuation of the real estate. exclusive of improvements thereon, within such district, according to the valuation last placed upon it for the purposes of general taxation: Provided. That this limit may be exceeded when any such improvement shall be petitioned for in the manner provided in section 9 of this act (9360 Remington's Compiled Statutes; 997 Pierce's 1919 Code) and such petition shall be signed by the owners of sixty (60%) per cent of the lineal frontage upon the improvement to be made and three-fourths of the area within the limits of the proposed improvement district, and shall specify a certain higher percentage up to which the property within such proposed improvement district may be assessed: Provided.

Amends § 12, ch. 98, Laws of 1911; § 1, ch. 109, Laws of 1927; § 9363, Rem. Comp. Stat., 1927 Sup.

Jurisdiction of council.

Expense not to exceed assessed value.

Exceeded when owners petition. further, That the jurisdiction of the council or other Jurisdiction divested by legislative authority to proceed with any such im- protest. provement initiated by resolution shall be divested by a protest filed with the council prior to the awarding of the contract for such improvement signed by the owners of property within the proposed district subject to at least sixty per cent (60%) of the cost of such improvement as shown and determined by the preliminary estimates and assessment roll of the proposed improvement district. In the absence of fraud or gross mistake, such certificate of such board, officer or other authority shall be final and conclusive.

In computing the valuation of such property any Valuation computed. nonassessable property owned by the United States, state, county, city, town, school district or other public corporation, shall be valued at the same rate as assessed property similarly situated.

Passed the House March 9, 1931. Passed the Senate March 10, 1931. Approved by the Governor March 19, 1931.

CHAPTER 86.

[H. B. 377.]

OYSTER RESERVE LANDS FOR KITSAP COUNTY AIRPORT.

AN ACT relating to certain vacated oyster reserve located in front of Sections 32 and 33, Township 24, North, Range 1 East W. M.; authorizing the use thereof by and conveying to the county of Kitsap or the United States of America for an aviation field.

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

SECTION 1. That tracts 1 and 2 of vacated state Description. ovster reserve, plat No. 87, located in front of sections 32 and 33, township 24 north, range 1 east W. M., be and the same are hereby reserved from Reserved from sale. sale; and upon the expiration of existing leases upon

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