

CHAPTER 209.

[S. B. 119.]

LIABILITY OF COMMON CARRIERS.

AN ACT relating to the liability of common carriers for loss or damage to baggage.

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

SECTION 1. The liability of any common carrier subject to regulation by the Department of Public Service for the loss of or damage to any baggage shall not exceed the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) for each trunk and its contents, fifty dollars (\$50) for each valise, suit case or traveling bag and its contents, or twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each box, bundle or package and its contents unless a higher valuation is declared at the time of the delivery of such baggage to the carrier and assented thereto in writing by such carrier: *Provided, however,* That in the case of the originating carrier the limitation of liability defined in this act shall only apply when the passenger or shipper shall have had constructive notice that the common law liability of such carrier has been so limited.

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Approved by the Governor March 15, 1945.