CHAPTER 55.

[H. B. 300.]

REVISING CITY CHARTERS.

An Acr amending section 8955, Remington's Compiled Statutes of Washington, Pierce's Perpetual Code 367-1 (section 1, chapter 137, Laws Extraordinary Session 1925), relating to the election of freeholders to revise the charters of cities of the first class, extending the time of filing revised charters and declaring that this act shall take effect immediately.

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

Section 1. That section 8955 of Remington's Amend-Compiled Statutes of Washington, Pierce's Perpetual ments. Code 367-1 (section 1, chapter 137, Laws Extraordinary Session 1925) be amended to read as follows:

Section 8955. Upon the petition of one-fourth of the qualified electors, as shown by the last general city election, of any city of the first class, the City Council of said city shall, and without such petition the City Council in joint session may, cause an election to be held, at which election there shall be Time of chosen by the qualified electors of said city fifteen fling revised charters. freeholders thereof, who shall have been residents of said city for a period of at least two years preceding their election, and qualified electors, whose duty it shall be to commence within ten days after their election, and within six months thereafter prepare a new charter for said city by altering, changing, revising, adding to or repealing their existing charter, together with any amendments thereto, and file the same with the City Clerk: Provided, That at such election the ballots shall be so prepared that the qualified electors of such city may vote for or against choosing fifteen freeholders with the duties aforesaid, and unless a majority of all the votes cast on both propositions so submitted shall result in the election of fifteen freeholders qualified as aforesaid, no new, altered, changed or revised charter shall be prepared or submitted to the electors of such city.

Effective immediately.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the existing public institutions of the state and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House February 20, 1945. Passed the Senate March 5, 1945. Approved by the Governor March 14, 1945.

CHAPTER 56.

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX.

An Acr relating to taxation; providing as to the manner in which personal property shall be listed, or may be required to be listed, for taxation, and return thereof made to the Assessor; and amending section 22, chapter 130, Laws of 1925 Extraordinary Session (section 11126, Remington's Revised Statutes, also Pierce's Perpetual Code 979-73).

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

Amendments. SECTION 1. That section 22, chapter 130, Laws of 1925 Extraordinary Session (section 11126, Remington's Revised Statutes, also Pierce's Perpetual Code 979-73), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Personal property, how listed.

Section 22. Every person required by this act to list property shall make out and deliver to the Assessor, when required, a statement, verified by his oath, of all the personal property in his possession or under his control, and which, by the provisions of this act, he is required to list for taxation, either as owner or holder thereof or as guardian, parent, husband, trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, accounting officer, partner, agent or factor; no person shall be required to list for taxation in his statement to the Assessor any share or portion of the capital stock, or of any of the property of any company, association or corporation, which such person may hold in whole or in part, where such company, being required so to do, has listed for assessment and taxation its capital stock and property with the Tax