

CHAPTER 205.

[Sub. H. B. 56.]

LABOR LIENS—RESTAURANT, HOTEL, TAVERN, ETC.
EMPLOYEES.

AN ACT relating to liens for labor of hotel employees and others.

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

SECTION 1. Every person performing labor in the operation of any restaurant, hotel, tavern, or other place of business engaged in the selling of prepared foods or drinks, or any hotel service employee, shall have a lien on the earnings and on all the property of his employer used in the operation of said business to the extent of the monies due him for labor performed within three months next preceding the filing of his claim therefor.

Designation
of lien.

SEC. 2. The lien claimant shall within thirty days after he has ceased to perform such labor, file for record with the auditor of the county in which the labor was performed a notice of claim, containing a statement of his demand, the name of the employer and the name of the person employing him, if known, with a statement of the terms and conditions of his contract, if any, and the time he commenced the employment, and the date of his last service, and shall serve or mail a copy thereof to said employer within said period.

Notice of
claim.

SEC. 3. Service of the notice of claim may be made in the same manner as summons in civil actions.

Service.

SEC. 4. The lien may be enforced within the same time and in the same manner as mechanics' liens are foreclosed.

Foreclosure.

SEC. 5. The lien created herein shall be preferred to any encumbrance which may attach after the commencement of the labor and is also preferred to

Priority.

any encumbrance which may have attached previously to that time, but which was not filed or recorded so as to create constructive notice thereof prior to that time, and of which the lien claimant had no notice.

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Approved by the Governor March 19, 1953.

CHAPTER 206.

[Sub. H. B. 169.]

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

AN ACT relating to justices of the peace, justice court districts, and police judges in certain cities; relating to salaries and civil and criminal venue; amending sections 3.14.010, 3.14-.040, 3.16.002 and 3.20.060, RCW; adding a new section to chapter 3.20, RCW; and repealing section 3.20.130, RCW.

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

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section 3.14.010, RCW, as derived from section 8, chapter 156, Laws of 1951, is amended to read as follows:

Justice court district committee; established, composition.

There is established in each county a committee which shall be known as the justice court district committee. The following persons shall be members: The presiding judge of the superior court, the members of the board of county commissioners, the prosecuting attorney, one justice of the peace to be selected by the county commissioners, and the county auditor.

Formation of districts; precincts outside cities of 5,000 population or more.

It shall be the duty of the committee to meet prior to January 1, 1954, and again within one year from the date of any official federal or county census, for the purpose of grouping the precincts of the county, other than those lying within or partly within cities of five thousand or more population, into one