CHAPTER 97.

[H.B. 261.]

ACQUISITION OF P. U. D. PROPERTY BY CITIES AND TOWNS.

AN ACT authorizing cities and towns to acquire by purchase or condemnation from any public utility district or combination of public utility districts any electrical distribution property within the boundaries of such city or town; amending section 80.40.054, RCW, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Section 80.40.054, RCW, as derived Amendment. from section 1, chapter 272, Laws of 1951, is amended to read as follows:

Any city or town may acquire by purchase or Authorizacondemnation from any public utility district or combination of public utility districts any electrical distribution property within the boundaries of such city or town: Provided, That such right of con-Exception. demnation shall not apply to a city or town located within a public utility district that owns the electric distribution properties sought to be condemned.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate Emergency. preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House March 3, 1953.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1953.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1953.

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