

CHAPTER 141.

[Senate Bill No. 285.]

IRRIGATION DISTRICTS—SANITARY SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANTS.

AN ACT relating to irrigation districts; authorizing the acquisition and operation of sanitary sewers and sewer disposal or treatment plants; amending section 2, chapter 138, Laws of 1923 as last amended by section 1, chapter 57, Laws of 1943 and RCW 87.03.015; and amending section 5, chapter 138, Laws of 1923 and RCW 87.03.120, 87.03.125 and 87.03.130.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 138, Laws of 1923 as last amended by section 1, chapter 57, Laws of 1943 and RCW 87.03.015 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 87.03.015 amended.

Any irrigation district, operating and maintaining an irrigation system, in addition to other powers conferred by law, shall have authority:

Irrigation districts. Certain powers of district enumerated.

(1) To purchase, and sell electric power to the inhabitants of the irrigation district for the purposes of irrigation and domestic use, to acquire, construct and lease dams, canals, plants, transmission lines, and other power equipment and the necessary property and rights therefor and to operate, improve, repair and maintain the same, for the generation and transmission of electrical energy, used in the operation of pumping plants and irrigation systems of the district, and to sell the surplus of any such electrical energy over and above the requirements of the irrigation districts to municipalities, public and private corporations and individuals, on such terms and conditions as the board of directors shall determine: *Provided*, That no contract entered into by such board for the sale of electrical energy to continue for a period longer than ten years shall be binding on the district until ratified by a majority

Irrigation districts. Certain powers of district enumerated.

vote of the electors of the district at an election therein, called, held and canvassed for that purpose in the same manner as that provided by law for district bond elections.

(2) To construct, repair, purchase, maintain or lease a system for the sale or lease of water to the owners of irrigated lands within the district for domestic purposes.

(3) To construct, repair, purchase, lease, acquire, operate and maintain a system of drains, sanitary sewers, and sewage disposal or treatment plants as herein provided.

(4) To assume, as principal or guarantor, any indebtedness to the United States under the federal reclamation laws, on account of district lands.

(5) To maintain, repair, construct and reconstruct ditches, laterals, pipe lines and other water conduits used or to be used in carrying water for irrigation of lands located within the boundaries of a city or town where the owners of land within such city or town shall use such irrigation works to carry water to the boundaries of such city or town for irrigation or other purposes within such city or town, and to charge to such city or town the pro rata proportion of the cost of such maintenance, repair, construction and reconstruction work in proportion to the benefits received by the lands served and located within the boundaries of such city or town, and if such cost is not paid, then and in that event said irrigation district shall have the right to prevent further water deliveries through such irrigation works to the lands located within the boundaries of such city or town until such charges have been paid.

(6) To acquire, install and maintain as a part of the irrigation district's water system the necessary water mains and fire hydrants to make water available for fire fighting purposes; and in addition any such irrigation district shall have the authority to

repair, operate and maintain such hydrants and mains.

This section shall not be construed as in any manner abridging any other powers of an irrigation district conferred by law.

SEC. 2. Section 5, chapter 138, Laws of 1923 (heretofore divided and codified as RCW 87.03.120, 87.03.125 and 87.03.130) is divided and amended as set forth in sections 3 through 5 of this act.

Legislative
jingle.

SEC. 3. (RCW 87.03.120) Whenever, in the judgment of the district board, a system of drainage, sanitary sewers, or sewage disposal or treatment plants for any lands included in the operation of the district will be of special benefit to the lands of the district as a whole, it shall pass a resolution to that effect and call a further meeting of the board to determine the question. Notice of said meeting shall be given by the secretary for the same length of time and in the same manner as required by law for the meeting of the county board to hear the petition for the organization of the district. At the time and place mentioned in the notice the board shall meet, hear such evidence as shall be presented, and fully determine the matter by resolution which said resolution shall be final and conclusive upon all persons as to the benefit of said system of drainage, sanitary sewers, or sewage disposal or treatment plants to the lands in the district.

RCW 87.03.120
amended.

Drainage, sanitary sewer or sewage disposal or treatment plant question. Notice—Resolution.

SEC. 4. (RCW 87.03.125) Upon the passing of said resolution, the district shall in all respects have the same power and authority as is now, or may hereafter be, conferred respecting irrigation and all powers in this act conferred upon irrigation districts with respect to irrigation shall be construed to include drainage systems, sanitary sewers, and sewage disposal or treatment plants in conjunction therewith as herein provided.

RCW 87.03.125
amended.
—Powers
upon passage
of resolution.

RCW 87.03.130 amended. Irrigation districts. Change of name.

SEC. 5. (RCW 87.03.130) Any district heretofore or hereafter organized and existing, may change its name by filing with the board of county commissioners of the county in which was filed the original petition for the organization of the district, a certified copy of a resolution of its board of directors adopted by the unanimous vote of all the members of said board at a regular meeting thereof providing for such change of name; and thereafter all proceedings of such district shall be had under such changed name, but all existing obligations and contracts of the district entered into under its former name shall remain outstanding without change and with the validity thereof unimpaired and unaffected by such change of name, and a change of name heretofore made by any existing irrigation district in this state, substantially in the manner above provided is hereby ratified, confirmed and validated.

Passed the Senate March 7, 1965.

Passed the House March 10, 1965.

Approved by the Governor March 20, 1965.

CHAPTER 142.

[House Bill No. 383.]

COUNTY REVENUE BOND ACT.

AN ACT relating to counties; authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds; prescribing purposes for which bonds may be issued and sold; prescribing the terms, forms, terms of sale and payment; and adding new sections to chapter 4, Laws of 1963 and to chapter 36.67 RCW.

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

New section.

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 4, Laws of 1963 and chapter 36.67 RCW a new section to read as follows: