

CHAPTER 98.

[Senate Bill No. 92.]

RECORDING AND FILING OF DOCUMENTS.

AN ACT relating to instruments to be recorded or filed; amending section 1, page 26, Laws of 1865 as last amended by section 1, chapter 182, Laws of 1919 and RCW 65.04.030; and amending section 1, chapter 125, Laws of 1919 as amended by section 1, chapter 254, Laws of 1959 and RCW 65.04.040.

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

RCW 65.04.030 amended.

Section 1. Section 1, page 26, Laws of 1865 as last amended by section 1, chapter 182, Laws of 1919 and RCW 65.04.030 are each amended to read as follows:

Recording and filing of documents. County auditor.

He must, upon the payment of his fees for the same, acknowledge receipt therefor in writing or printed form and record in large and well bound books, or by photographic or photomechanical process, the following:

(1) Deeds, grants and transfers of real property, mortgages and releases of mortgages of real estate, instruments or agreements relating to community or separate property, powers of attorney to convey real estate, and leases which have been acknowledged or proved: *Provided*, That deeds, contracts and mortgages of real estate described by lot and block and addition or plat, shall not be filed or recorded until the plat of such addition has been filed and made a matter of record;

(2) Patents to lands and receivers' receipts, whether for mineral, timber, homestead or preemption claims or cash entries;

(3) All such other papers or writing as are required by law to be recorded and such as are required by law to be filed.

He may also, upon the payment of his fees for the same, record or file such other documents or

papers as may be requested by the person offering the same for recording or filing.

Sec. 2. Section 1, chapter 125, Laws of 1919 as amended by section 1, chapter 254, Laws of 1959 and RCW 65.04.040 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 65.04.040 amended.

Any state, county, or municipal officer charged with the duty of recording instruments in public records, may, in lieu of transcription, record them by receiving number in the order filed, irrespective of the type of instrument, using a photographic or photomechanical process, which produces a clear, legible, and durable record and which has been tested and approved for the intended purpose by the state archivist.

Photographic recordation, microfilm etc.

In addition, the county auditor, in the exercise of his duty of recording instruments in public records, may, in lieu of transcription, record all instruments, which he is charged by law to record, except plats, by any photographic, photostatic, microfilm, micro-card, miniature photographic or other process which actually reproduces or forms a durable medium for so reproducing the original, and which has been tested and approved for the intended purpose by the state archivist. If the county auditor, in lieu of transcription, records any instrument by a process herein enumerated which produces a miniature copy of the original it shall not be necessary thereafter to make any notations or marginal notes, which are otherwise required by law, thereon: *Provided*, That in lieu of making said notations thereon, the auditor shall immediately make a note of such in both the direct and inverted indexes and other appropriate indexes, in the column headed "remarks", opposite the appropriate entry.

The county auditor may provide in his office for the use of the public books containing reproductions of instruments and other materials that have been

recorded pursuant to the provisions of this section. The contents of such books may be arranged according to date of filing, irrespective of type of instrument, or in such other manner as the county auditor in his discretion shall deem proper.

Passed the Senate January 20, 1967.

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CHAPTER 99.

[Senate Bill No. 483.]

EXPLOSIVES.

AN ACT relating to public health and safety; and amending section 2, chapter 111, Laws of 1931 and RCW 70.74.020.

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

RCW 70.74.020 amended.

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 111, Laws of 1931 and RCW 70.74.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Public safety. Explosives. Restrictions.

No person shall manufacture, process, have, keep or store explosives in this state, except in compliance with this act, except that explosives may be manufactured without compliance with this act in the laboratories of schools, colleges and similar institutions, for the purpose of investigation and instruction. The director of the department of labor and industries is hereby delegated the authority to grant written waiver of this act whenever it can be shown that the manufacturing, handling, or storing of explosives are in compliance with applicable national or federal explosive safety standards.

It shall be unlawful to sell, give away or otherwise dispose of, or deliver to any person under eighteen years of age any explosives, whether said person is acting for himself or for any other person.