

## CHAPTER CXXXI.

[ H. B. No. 283.]

AMENDING BALLINGER'S CODES RELATIVE TO  
POWERS OF CORONERS.

AN ACT to amend section 527 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, relating to power of coroners to summon and examine witnesses.

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

SECTION 1. That section 529 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, relating to power of coroners to summon and examine witnesses, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows : Section 529. The coroner may issue subpœnas for witnesses to the sheriff or any constable of the county, returnable forthwith or at such time and place as he may appoint, which may be served by any competent person. He must summon and examine as witnesses, on oath by him administered, every person, who, in his opinion or that of any of the jury, has any knowledge of the facts, and he may summon a surgeon or physician to inspect the body and give under oath a professional opinion as to the cause of the death. The fees for the coroner's physician or surgeon shall not be less than ten (\$10) dollars : *Provided*, That in counties between the first and eighth classes inclusive the fee herein provided shall not apply.

Amendment.

Subpœnas.

Summoning of witnesses.

Surgeon or physician.

Fees.

Exception.

Passed the House March 12, 1901.

Passed the Senate March 14, 1901.

Approved by the Governor March 18, 1901.