

respectively: *Provided*, That when a new district is created by consolidation pursuant to the provisions of this 1967 amendatory act, one candidate shall be elected to serve for one year, two candidates shall be elected to serve for two years, and two candidates shall be elected to serve for three years respectively.

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CHAPTER 155.

[Senate Bill No. 184.]

LIENS—TOWING AND STORAGE OF VEHICLES.

AN ACT relating to liens; and authorizing a lien for towing and storage of vehicles.

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

Section 1. Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of towing motor vehicles who shall make an advance or advances for the towing, transportation or storage of any motor vehicle whether by contract or at the direction of any public officer, shall have a lien upon such vehicle so long as the same remains in his possession, for the charges for such towing, transportation or storage. It shall be lawful for such person, firm or corporation to cause such motor vehicle to be sold as herein provided.

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Sec. 2. If such motor vehicle upon which charges may be due and unpaid shall have remained uncalled for in storage for a period of fifteen days after such charges shall have become due, such motor vehicle may be sold by the person, firm or corpora-

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tion having a lien for the payment of such charges upon giving twenty days' notice of such sale. Such notice shall be placed in the hands of the sheriff or other proper officer, and shall be personally served on the registered owner and legal owner of the motor vehicle, in the same manner as is provided by law for the service of a summons: *Provided*, That if the registered or legal owner cannot be found in the county where the vehicle was impounded personal notice of the sale shall be forwarded to the registered or legal owner at his address, by certified mail, return receipt requested. Said notice must contain a description of the vehicle including its license number and motor number together with time and place of sale and a statement of the amount due.

Sale proceeds,
priority.

Sec. 3. The moneys arising from any sale made pursuant to the provisions of this act shall first be applied to the payment of the costs and expenses of the sale, and then to the payment of the lawful charges of the person, firm or corporation having a lien upon the motor vehicle for advances for towing, transportation or storage. Any surplus remaining shall be retained by the state treasurer pursuant to RCW 63.28.240 for the benefit of, and ultimate distribution to, the apparent owner of the motor vehicle, or to any lien holder who may be entitled to such remainder. A purchaser in good faith of goods sold to enforce a lien for towing and storage takes the goods free of any rights of prior lien holders.

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