

CHAPTER CLVIII.

[H. B. No. 203.]

AMENDING TIDE AND SHORE LAND LAW.

AN ACT to amend section eight of an act entitled "An act for the appraising and disposing of the tide and shore lands belonging to the State of Washington," approved March 26, 1890.

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

SECTION 1. That section eight of "An act for the appraising and disposing of the tide and shore lands belonging to the State of Washington" be amended to read as follows: Sec. 8. Any person, association or corporation entitled to purchase or hold real estate in the State of Washington, who shall desire to purchase under this act, may file with the commissioner of public lands an application to purchase any of the lands herein described, which application shall contain a description of the land applied for by metes and bounds. The commissioner of public lands shall furnish the state board of equalization and appeal with a true copy of said application. Upon receipt of said application the commissioner of public lands shall, at the expense of the applicant, publish for three weeks in any newspaper printed in the county in which the land is situated, a notice of such application to purchase, with a description thereof. If at the expiration of thirty (30) days no notice of contest is filed with the said state board of equalization and appeal, said appraisement shall stand confirmed and be the price at which said land shall be sold, as hereinafter provided: *Provided*, That the prosecuting attorney of any county wherein such land is situated may, whenever he deems it proper, or at the request of the state land commissioner, or of ten freeholders of the county wherein said land is situated, it shall be his duty to appeal from any appraisement of the tide or shore lands made by the county board of appraisers of any county hereinbefore provided for; which appeal shall be taken in the name of the State of Washington by a notice of appeal filed with the state board of equalization and appeal hereinbefore named, which said notice shall be in substance as follows:

Application to purchase.

Public notice.

Appraisement.

Appeal.

Form of notice
of appeal.

To the state board of equalization and appeal for the appraisalment of and confirmation of appraisements of tide and shore lands for the State of Washington, and to A— B—, applicant to purchase:

You, and each of you, will take notice that the State of Washington hereby appeals from the appraisalment of the board of appraisers of tide and shore lands for the county of —, State of Washington, appraising and fixing the value of the following lands, to wit: [Here describe the lands], at the following values, to wit: [Here state value or values], to the state board of equalization and appeal for the appraisalment of tide and shore lands for the State of Washington. Dated this — day of —, 189—.

A— B—,

Prosecuting attorney for the county of —, State of Washington.

Limit of time
for appeal.

Which said appeal shall be taken within sixty (60) days after the appraisalment complained of has been filed with the said state board of equalization and appeal, and a copy of said notice shall within said sixty (60) days be served upon the applicant to purchase said tide or shore lands, the appraisalment of which is complained of, in the same manner that summons in a civil action is served, and it shall be the duty of said state board of equalization and appeal thereafter to hear said appeal as fully as the same can be heard by the county board of appraisers, and said state board of equalization and appeal may require the attendance of the attorney general of the State of Washington at any time to represent the state upon the hearing of such appeal. Upon such appeal the state board of equalization and appeal shall confirm or reappraise and fix the value of such lands, and the value fixed upon by the state board of equalization and appeal shall be the value at which said land shall be sold as hereinafter provided.

Approved March 10, 1891.