

CHAPTER 240.

[S. B. 200.]

DIKING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT SYSTEMS.

AN ACT relating to diking, drainage and sewerage and amending Section 1 of Chapter 176 of the Laws of 1913 as amended by Chapter 79 of the Laws of Extraordinary Session 1925, and declaring that this act shall take effect immediately.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1 of chapter 176 of the Laws of 1913, pages 611 and 612, as amended by chapter 79 of the Laws of Extraordinary Session 1925, (section 4405 Remington's Compiled Statutes) be amended to read as follows:

§ 1945-57,
Pierce's
Code.

Section 1. Whenever four or more persons whose lands will be benefited thereby, desire to have improvements constructed for the drainage, sewerage or protection from overflow, or for any or all of said purposes, of any contiguous body of land situated in the same county, whether wholly or partly within or wholly without the limits of any incorporated city or town, proceedings for the construction of such improvements may be had as provided in this act: *Provided*, That when such contiguous body of land is situated wholly within an incorporated city or town, such city or town may, through its council or other legislative body, have all of the powers and exercise all of the functions of a drainage district under this act, if and when it shall declare its right to do so hereunder by ordinance duly enacted.

Four or
more may
petition.

If contiguous
land within
incorporated
city, the city
acts as
drainage
district.

That such city or town when it is beneficial or necessary for the purpose of an outlet for such sewerage or drainage to use any of the ditches or other improvements of an established drainage district, may purchase or contract for such use with such drainage district acting by and through its

City may
purchase
drainage
district.

May exercise eminent domain right.

Approval of State Board of Health prerequisite.

Emergency.

board of commissioners, such commissioners being hereby duly empowered so to do; or such city or town may acquire such rights by eminent domain in the manner now provided by law. The rights herein granted shall be in addition to and in aid of existing rights: *Provided*, That no rights herein be granted any city or town until the same has been approved by the state board of health.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1927.

Passed the House March 8, 1927.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1927.

CHAPTER 241.

[S. B. 128.]

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS: LIENS.

AN ACT regulating contracts for public improvements, and amending Section 10322, Remington's Compiled Statutes.

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

§ 9727-3, Pierce's Code; § 3, ch. 166, L. 1921.

Time for foreclosure of lien.

Forum in county where lien filed.

SECTION 1. That section 10322 of Remington's Compiled Statutes be amended to read as follows:

Section 10322. Any person, firm or corporation filing a lien claim against said reserve fund shall have four (4) months from the time of the filing of claims against said fund in which to bring an action for the foreclosure of such lien. The liens provided for in this chapter shall be enforced by a civil action in the superior court of the county wherein the lien was filed, and shall be governed by the laws regulating the proceedings in civil actions touching the mode and manner of trial, and the proceedings and laws to secure property so as to hold it for the