

CHAPTER 14.

[H. B. No. 134.]

RELATING TO ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF DEEDS.

AN ACT relating to the acknowledgment of deeds, mortgages and other written instruments, prescribing the persons before whom the same shall be taken, and declaring legal and valid all acknowledgments heretofore taken as prescribed by this act, and amending section 8754 Remington & Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. Section 8754, Remington & Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington is hereby amended to read as follows, to-wit:

[Amending Rem.-Bal., § 8754; Pierce's Code, 1912, 143 § 13.]

"Section 8754. Acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages, and other instruments in writing may be taken, in this state, before a judge of the supreme court, or the clerk thereof, or the deputy of such clerk, before a judge of the superior court in this state, or the clerk thereof, or the deputy of such clerk, or before a justice of the peace, or a county auditor, or the deputy of such auditor, or a qualified notary public, or any qualified United States commissioner appointed by any district court of the United States for the State of Washington. All deeds, mortgages, and other instruments in writing at any time heretofore acknowledged according to the provisions of this act are hereby declared legal and valid, insofar as such acknowledgment is concerned."

Acknowledgments, who may take. (This act adds U. S. Commissioner to list of those who may take acknowledgments.)

Passed the House February 7, 1913.

Passed the Senate February 19, 1913.

Approved by the Governor February 28, 1913.