

CHAPTER 111.

[S. B. 98.]

CRIME OF INCEST.

AN ACT relating to the crime of incest; and amending section 203, chapter 249, Laws of 1909 (section 2455, Remington's Revised Statutes).

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

SECTION 1. Section 203, chapter 249, Laws of 1909 (section 2455, Remington's Revised Statutes), is amended to read as follows: Amendments.

Section 203. Sexual intercourse between any male and female persons, nearer of kin to each other than second cousins, computing by the rules of the civil law, shall constitute the crime of incest and shall be punished as follows: Incest defined.

(1) When such act is committed by any male or female person upon a child under the age of ten (10) years, such male or female person shall be guilty of incest and be punished by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for life; Penalties.

(2) When such act is committed by any male or female person upon a child of ten (10) years and under fifteen (15) years of age, such male or female person shall be guilty of incest and be punished by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for not more than twenty (20) years;

(3) When such an act is committed by any male or female person upon a child of fifteen (15) years of age and under eighteen (18) years of age, such male or female person shall be guilty of incest and be punished by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for not more than fifteen (15) years;

(4) When such act is committed by persons eighteen (18) years of age or more, such persons shall both be guilty of incest and be punished by

imprisonment in the state penitentiary for not more than ten (10) years.

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CHAPTER 112.

[S. B. 00.]

CARNAL KNOWLEDGE OF CHILDREN.

AN ACT relating to the crime of carnal knowledge of children; and amending section 184, chapter 249, Laws of 1909, as amended by section 1, chapter 132, Laws of 1919, and section 1, chapter 74, Laws of 1937 (section 2436, Remington's Revised Statutes).

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

Amendments.

SECTION 1. Section 184, chapter 249, Laws of 1909, as amended by section 1, chapter 132, Laws of 1919, and section 1, chapter 74, Laws of 1937 (section 2436, Remington's Revised Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

Carnal knowledge defined.

Section 184. Every male person who shall carnally know and abuse any female child under the age of eighteen years, not his wife, and every female person who shall have sexual intercourse with any male child under the age of eighteen years, not her husband, shall be punished as follows:

Penalties.

(1) When such an act is committed upon a child under the age of ten (10) years, by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for life;

(2) When such an act is committed upon a child of ten (10) years and under fifteen (15) years of age, by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for not more than twenty years;