

the same class of subjects, and shall be levied and collected for public purposes. The property of the United States, and of the State, counties, school districts, and other municipal corporations and personal property to the amount of three hundred dollars for each head of a family, liable to assessment and taxation under the provisions of the laws of this State of which the individual is the actual and *bona fide* owner shall be exempt from taxation.

Exemptions.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of State shall cause the amendment proposed in section one (1) of this act to be published for three months next preceding the said election therein described in some weekly newspaper in every county where a newspaper is published, throughout the State.

Publication of proposed amendment.

SEC. 3. There shall be printed on all ballots provided for the said election, the words: "For the proposed amendment to article VII of the Constitution relating to the assessment and taxation of property within the State." "Against the proposed amendment to article VII of the Constitution relating to the assessment and taxation of property within the State."

Form of ballots.

Passed the Senate February 18th, 1907.

Passed the House February 27th, 1907.

Approved by the Governor March 5th, 1907.

CHAPTER 68.

[H. B. 145.]

REPEALING ACT RELATING TO THE SPREAD OF DISEASES AMONG ANIMALS.

AN ACT to repeal an act entitled "An act to prevent the spread of contagious or infectious diseases among cattle, horses and other domestic animals, and prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions thereof," being chapter 143, of Session Laws of 1895.

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

SECTION 1. That chapter 143, of the Session Laws of 1895, the same being an act entitled "An Act to prevent the spread of contagious or infectious diseases among

Repeal.

cattle, horses and other domestic animals, and prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions thereof," be and the same hereby is repealed.

Passed the House February 11th, 1907.

Passed the Senate February 28th, 1907.

Approved by the Governor March 5th, 1907.

CHAPTER 69.

[H. B. 97.]

AMENDMENT OF STATE CONSTITUTION RELATIVE TO THE EXERCISE OF THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN.

AN ACT providing for the amendment of section 16 of article one (1) of the Constitution of the State of Washington, relating to the exercise of the power of eminent domain.

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

Submission
to vote.

SECTION 1. That at the general election to be held in this State on the Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November, 1908, there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the State for their adoption and approval an amendment of section sixteen (16) of Article one (1) of the Constitution of the State of Washington so that the same shall read, and it is proposed that the same shall read, when so amended, as follows: Sec. 16.

Right of
eminent
domain.

Private property may be taken, under such terms, conditions and limitations as shall be prescribed by the Legislature for drains, flumes and ditches for agricultural, domestic and sanitary purposes, and for rights of way for the removal of timber or timber products, and the appropriation and use of property for such purposes are hereby declared to be public usage, even though such appropriation and use may inure to the special benefit of some private individual, firm, corporation or association: *Provided, however,* That this declaration as to public uses shall not be construed to limit the right to appropriate property for other public uses. Private property shall not be taken for private use, except for private ways of necessity. No private property shall be taken or damaged for, public or