

the Fourth Avenue Bridge in conformity with needs of navigation; to cooperate with any Federal agency or agencies in order to obtain Federal assistance; and to do any and all things necessary to fulfill the purpose of this plan.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized and appropriated the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the capitol building construction fund, to carry out the provisions of this act.

Passed the House March 5, 1937.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1937.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1937.

CHAPTER 160.

[H. B. 560.]

ADDITIONS TO STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS.

AN ACT relating to the acquiring of land by the state capitol committee for additions to Capitol Place in the City of Olympia, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. The state capitol committee is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase or condemnation lot 1, Dunbar's Subdivision, lots 1 to 6, inclusive, block 6, Capitol Place Addition, block 19, Calkin's Plat and tract 1A, Sylvester's Donation Claim, all in the City of Olympia, State of Washington, adjoining the property now known as Capitol Place.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act there is hereby appropriated from the capitol building construction fund the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary.

SEC. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the state government and its existing institutions and shall take effect immediately. Effective immediately.

Passed the House March 5, 1937.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1937.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1937.

CHAPTER 161.

[S. S. B. 176.]

PROSPECTING PERMITS AND PETROLEUM LEASES.

AN ACT relating to state lands and areas belonging to, or held in trust by the state, providing for and regulating the granting of prospecting permits and leases for the extraction of petroleum and certain preference rights to take petroleum; defining the powers and duties of certain officers in connection therewith, providing for the issuance of permits and leases at public auction in certain cases, providing for appeals, and repealing sections 175 to 185, both inclusive, of chapter 255 of Laws of 1927 (sections 7797-175 to 7797-185 of Remington's Revised Statutes).

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

SECTION 1. Whenever used in this act, unless the context otherwise requires, words and terms shall have the meaning attributed to them herein:

(1) "Commence to Drill a Well": The institution of work in good faith with drilling equipment adequate for the drilling of a well to a depth that will reasonably test the oil and gas productiveness of the public lands where such well is commenced. "Commence to drill a well."

(2) "Petroleum": Any liquid or gaseous hydrocarbon occurring in nature beneath the surface of the earth. "Petroleum."

(3) "Proven Territory": Territory so situated with reference to known producing wells as to establish the general opinion that, because of its relation to them petroleum is contained in it. "Proven territory."