

An Amendment to the State Constitution

To Be Submitted to the Qualified Electors of the State for Their Approval
or Rejection at the

GENERAL ELECTION

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1932

CONCISE STATEMENT

AN AMENDMENT of section 1, Article XV of the constitution, relating to harbors and harbor areas, by authorizing the relocation or reestablishment of harbor lines pursuant to such provision as may be made therefor by the legislature and extending the permissible maximum width of harbor areas from 600 to 2,000 feet.

CHAPTER 137.

[H. B. 195.]

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT RELATING TO HARBORS AND HARBOR AREAS.

AN ACT providing for the amendment of Section 1 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Washington relating to harbors and harbor areas.

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

SECTION 1. That at the general election to be held in this state on the Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November, 1932, there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state, for their approval or rejection, an amendment to section 1 of article XV of the constitution of the State of Washington, so that the same shall read when so amended as follows:

Section 1. The legislature shall provide for the appointment of a commission whose duty it shall be to locate and establish harbor lines in the navigable waters of all harbors, estuaries, bays and inlets of this state, wherever such navigable waters lie within or in front of the corporate limits of any city, or within one mile thereof on either side. Any harbor line so located or established may thereafter be changed, relocated or re-established by

the commission pursuant to such provision as may be made therefor by the legislature. The state shall never give, sell or lease to any private person, corporation, or association any rights whatever in the waters beyond such harbor lines, nor shall any of the area lying between any harbor line and the line of ordinary high water, and within not less than fifty feet nor more than two thousand feet of such harbor line (as the commission shall determine) be sold or granted by the state, nor its rights to control the same relinquished, but such area shall be forever reserved for landings, wharves, streets, and other conveniences of navigation and commerce.

SEC. 2. The secretary of state shall cause the amendment in section 1 of this act to be published for three months next preceding said election in a weekly newspaper in every county where a newspaper is published throughout the state.

Passed the House March 7, 1931.

Passed the Senate March 10, 1931.

Signature of the Governor not required.

STATE OF WASHINGTON—ss.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State March 23, 1931.

J. GRANT HINKLE, *Secretary of State.*