

CHAPTER 47.

[S. B. 68.]

PRESERVATION AND EXHIBITION OF HISTORICAL MATERIALS.

AN ACT relating to historical materials and amending sections 1, 2 and 3, chapter 160, Laws of 1949 and RCW 27.48.010 through 27.48.030.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 160, Laws of 1949 and RCW 27.48.010 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 27.48.010 amended.

The storage, preservation and exhibit of historical materials, including, but not restricted to, books, maps, writings, newspapers, ancient articles, and tools of handicraft, antiques, artifacts, and relics is declared to be a public project carried on for public purpose and the legislative body of any county, city or town, may provide quarters therefor within the territorial limits thereof and may provide funds necessary for the proper operation of any such institution already in operation, or otherwise provide for the preservation of historical material covered by this act.

Public purpose declared— Powers of counties and municipalities.

SEC. 2. Section 2, chapter 160, Laws of 1949 and RCW 27.48.020 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 27.48.020 amended.

The maximum amount which any county may expend for these purposes in any one year shall be as follows:

Limitation of county expenditures.

(1) For a county with a population of not over twenty-five thousand, the maximum shall be three thousand dollars;

(2) For a county with a population of not over fifty thousand, the maximum shall be five thousand dollars;

(3) For a county with a population of over fifty thousand, the maximum shall be ten thousand dollars.

RCW 27.48.030
amended.

Custody of
historical
materials.

SEC. 3. Section 3, chapter 160, Laws of 1949 and RCW 27.48.030 are each amended to read as follows:

A county, city or town which has provided quarters for the storage, preservation, or exhibit of historical materials may award custody thereof, as trustee, to the Washington State Historical Society, or the Eastern Washington State Historical Society, or the State Capitol Historical Association, or any organization sponsoring the exhibit thereof if such organization be affiliated with or approved by the Washington State Historical Society or the Eastern Washington State Historical Society.

Passed the Senate February 6, 1957.

Passed the House February 28, 1957.

Approved by the Governor March 8, 1957.