

CHAPTER 322.

[S. B. 279.]

CITIES AND TOWNS—BUDGETS AND EXPENDITURES.

AN ACT relating to budgets and expenditures in certain class cities; amending section 5, chapter 158, Laws of 1923 and RCW 35.33.120.

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

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section 5, chapter 158, Laws of 1923 and RCW 35.33.120 are amended to read as follows:

Expenditures in final budget constitutes city's appropriations for ensuing fiscal year.

The expenditures as classified and itemized in the final budget shall constitute the city's appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year. Every officer and employee of the city shall be limited in the making of expenditures and incurring of liabilities to the amounts of the detailed appropriation items or classes. Transfers between the general classes and expenditures from funds received in excess of estimated revenues shall be permitted when authorized by ordinance upon the vote of one more than the majority of all members of the legislative body of any city: *Provided*, That the legislative body shall at all times have the power by ordinance with like vote to revoke, recall, or decrease the whole or any part of an unexpended item listed in the budget appropriation ordinance for salaries and wages, maintenance and operation, or capital outlay, for said year and also to make transfers by resolution between items within any class in the budget, but no salary shall be increased above the amount provided therefor in the budget: *Provided*, That the legislative body in passing said ordinance shall state therein the reason for such transfer of funds or the revoking, recall, or decrease, in whole or in part, of any unexpended item as above provided, and shall further in said ordinance find that it is to the best interest of the municipality that such transfer or revocation, recall,

Transfers between general classes.

Legislative power by ordinance.

Ordinance to state therein reason for transfer, etc.

or decrease of any unexpended item listed in the budget appropriation be made.

Liabilities incurred by any officer or employee of the city in excess of any budget appropriation shall not be a liability of the city. The clerk shall issue no warrant and the city commission, council or mayor shall approve no claim for an expenditure in excess of any individual budget appropriation except upon an order of a court of competent jurisdiction or for emergencies as provided in this chapter.

Liabilities incurred in excess of budget appropriation.

Passed the Senate February 28, 1955.

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Approved by the Governor March 21, 1955.

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[S. B. 285.]

ELECTIONS—VOTING MACHINES.

AN ACT relating to voting machines and amending section 1, chapter 85, Laws of 1935 and RCW 29.33.130 through 29.33.150, and section 3, chapter 58, Laws of 1913 and section 1, chapter 114, Laws of 1915 and section 3, chapter 77, Laws of 1947 and RCW 29.33.160.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 85, Laws of 1935 (heretofore codified as RCW 29.33.130 through 29.33.150) is divided and amended as set forth in sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act.

Division and amendment.

SEC. 2. (RCW 29.33.130) The county auditor of a county, the city clerk, or proper officer of a district, in which voting machines are to be used shall cause them to be properly prepared therefor; and for that purpose shall employ for such time as is necessary one or more competent persons who shall be election officers known as the voting machine custodians. Voting machine custodians shall be sworn to per-

Enacted without amendment.

Voting machine custodians; employment of.