

CHAPTER 81.

[S. B. 210.]

THIRD CLASS CITIES—OFFICERS—ENGINEERING SERVICES.

AN ACT relating to third class cities; and amending section 5, chapter 55, Laws of 1955, section 2, chapter 365, Laws of 1955 and RCW 35.24.020.

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

RCW 35.24.020 amended.

SECTION 1. Section 5, chapter 55, Laws of 1955, section 2, chapter 365, Laws of 1955 and RCW 35.24-.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Third class cities. City officers enumerated—Compensation.

The government of a third class city shall be vested in a mayor, a city council of seven members, a city attorney, a clerk, a treasurer, all elective; and a chief of police, police judge, city engineer, street superintendent, health officer and such other appointive officers as may be provided for by statute or ordinance: *Provided*, That the council may enact an ordinance providing for the appointment of the city clerk and city attorney by the mayor, which appointment shall be subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the city council. Such ordinance shall be enacted and become effective not later than thirty days prior to the first day allowed for filing declarations of candidacy for such offices when such offices are subject to an approaching city primary election. Elective incumbent city clerks and city attorneys shall serve for the remainder of their unexpired term notwithstanding any appointment made pursuant to RCW 35.24.020 and 35.24.050. If a free public library and reading room is established, five library trustees shall be appointed and if a public park is maintained, three park commissioners shall be appointed. The city council by ordinance shall prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of all officers: *Provided*, That the provisions of any

such ordinance shall not be inconsistent with any statute: *Provided further*, That where the city council finds that the appointment of a full time city engineer is unnecessary, it may in lieu of such appointment, by resolution provide for the performance of necessary engineering services on either a part time, temporary or periodic basis by a qualified engineering firm, pursuant to any reasonable contract.

The mayor shall appoint and at his pleasure may remove all appointive officers except as otherwise provided herein. Every appointment or removal must be in writing signed by the mayor and filed with the city clerk.

Passed the Senate February 18, 1961.

Passed the House March 1, 1961.

Approved by the Governor March 8, 1961.

CHAPTER 82.

[S. B. 218.]

INTERCOUNTY RURAL LIBRARY DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to intercounty rural library districts and amending section 2, chapter 75, Laws of 1947, and RCW 27.12.100 and section 4, chapter 75, Laws of 1947, and RCW 27.12.120.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 75, Laws of 1947, and RCW 27.12.100 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 27.12.100
amended.

An intercounty rural library district shall be established by joint action of two or more counties proceeding by either of the following alternative methods:

Intercounty
rural library
districts—
Establishment.
Procedure.

(1) The boards of county commissioners of any two or more counties shall adopt identical resolu-