

CHAPTER 81
[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 234]
CODE CITIES--MAYOR PRO TEMPORE--
ACCOUNTING--PLANNING

AN ACT Relating to the optional municipal code; amending section 35A-.33.010, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.33-.010; amending section 35A.33.075, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.33.075; amending section 35A.33.125, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.33.125; amending section 35A.63.030, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.63.030; amending section 35A.63.040, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.63.040; adding a new section to chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and to chapter 35A.01 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and to chapter 35A.13 RCW; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. There is added to chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and to chapter 35A.13 RCW a new section to be designated as RCW 35A.13.035 to read as follows:

Biennially at the first meeting of a new council, or periodically, the members thereof, by majority vote, may designate one of their number as mayor pro tempore or deputy mayor for such period as the council may specify, to serve in the absence or temporary disability of the mayor; or, in lieu thereof, the council may, as the need may arise, appoint any qualified person to serve as mayor pro tempore in the absence or temporary disability of the mayor. In the event of the extended excused absence or disability of a councilman, the remaining members by majority vote may appoint a councilman pro tempore to serve during the absence or disability.

Sec. 2. Section 35A.33.010, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.33.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following words as used in this chapter shall have the meaning herein pre-

scribed:

(1) "Clerk" as used in this chapter includes the officer performing the functions of a finance or budget director, comptroller, auditor, or by whatever title he may be known in any code city.

(2) "Department" as used in this chapter includes each office, division, service, system or institution of the city for which no other statutory or charter provision is made for budgeting and accounting procedures or controls.

(3) "Council" as used in this chapter includes the commissioners in cities having a commission form of government and any other group of city officials serving as the legislative body of a code city.

(4) "Chief administrative officer" as used in this chapter includes the mayor of cities having a mayor-council form of government, the commissioners in cities having a commission form of government, the city manager, or any other city official designated by the charter or ordinances of such city under the plan of government governing the same, or the budget or finance officer designated by the mayor, manager or commissioners, to perform the functions, or portions thereof, contemplated by this chapter.

(5) "Fiscal year" as used in this chapter means that fiscal period set by the code city pursuant to authority given under RCW 1-.16.030.

(6) "Fund", as used in this chapter and "funds" where clearly used to indicate the plural of "fund", shall mean the budgeting or accounting entity authorized to provide a sum of money for specified activities or purposes.

(7) "Funds" as used in this chapter where not used to indicate the plural of "fund" shall mean money in hand or available for expenditure or payment of a debt or obligation.

(8) Except as otherwise defined herein, municipal accounting terms used in this chapter have the meaning prescribed in (~~"Municipal Accounting and Auditing"; prepared by the National Committee on~~

~~Governmental-Accounting,-September-1951))~~ "Governmental Accounting, Auditing and Financial Reporting" prepared by the National Committee on Governmental Accounting, 1968.

Sec. 3. Section 35A.33.075, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.33.075 are each amended to read as follows:

Following conclusion of the hearing, and prior to the beginning of the fiscal year, the legislative body shall make such adjustments and changes as it deems necessary or proper and after determining the allowance in each item, department, classification and fund, and shall by ordinance, adopt the budget in its final form and content. Appropriations shall be limited to the total estimated revenues contained therein including the amount to be raised by ad valorem taxes and the unencumbered fund balances estimated to be available at the close of the current fiscal year. Such ordinances may adopt the final budget by reference: PROVIDED, That the ordinance adopting such budget shall set forth in summary form the totals (~~for each-separate-fund-and-for-each-department-which-operates-from-the appropriations-of-the-same-fund~~) of estimated revenues and appropriations for each separate fund and the aggregate totals for all such funds combined.

A complete copy of the final budget as adopted shall be transmitted to the division of municipal corporations in the office of the state auditor, and to the association of Washington cities.

Sec. 4. Section 35A.33.125, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.33.125 are each amended to read as follows:

Liabilities incurred by any officer or employee of the city in excess of any budget appropriations shall not be a liability of the city. The clerk shall issue no warrant and the city council or other authorized person shall approve no claim for an expenditure in excess of (~~any-individual-budget-appropriation,-as-amended,-~~) the total amount appropriated for any individual fund, except upon an order of a court of competent jurisdiction or for emergencies as provided in this chapter.

Sec. 5. Section 35A.63.030, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.63.030 are each amended to read as follows:

Pursuant to the authorization of the legislative body, a code city planning agency may hold joint meetings with one or more city or county planning agencies (including city or county planning agencies in adjoining states) in any combination and may contract with another municipality for planning services. A code city may enter into cooperative arrangements with one or more municipalities (~~for jointly engaging a planning director and such other employees as may be required to operate a joint planning staff~~) and with any regional planning council organized under this chapter for jointly engaging a planning director and such other employees as may be required to operate a joint planning staff.

Sec. 6. Section 35A.63.040, chapter 119, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 35A.63.040 are each amended to read as follows:

A code city with one or more (~~adjoining~~) municipalities within a region, otherwise authorized by law to plan, including municipalities of adjoining states, when empowered by ordinances of their respective legislative bodies, may cooperate to form, organize, and administer a regional planning commission to prepare a comprehensive plan and perform other planning functions for the region defined by agreement of the respective municipalities. (~~A code city may also cooperate with any department or agency of a state government having planning functions.~~) The various agencies may cooperate in all phases of planning, and professional staff may be engaged to assist in such planning. All costs shall be shared on a pro rata basis as agreed among the various entities. A code city may also cooperate with any department or agency of a state government having planning functions.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. This 1969 amendatory act shall take effect July 1, 1969.

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