AN ACT Relating to social and economic development; authorizing participation of the state and local governments in various federally-assisted social and economic development programs; amending section 1, chapter 77, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and RCW 35.21.660; amending section 1, chapter 14, Laws of 1965 and RCW 36.32.410; amending section 2, chapter 14, Laws of 1965 and RCW 43.06.110; adding new sections to chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.11 RCW; amending section 35.61.010, chapter 7, Laws of 1965 and RCW 35.61.010; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 14, Laws of 1965 and RCW 36.32.410 are each amended to read as follows:

The board of county commissioners of any county is hereby authorized and empowered in its discretion by resolution or ordinance passed by a majority of the board, to take whatever action it deems necessary to enable the county to participate in the programs set forth in the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-452; 78 Stat. 508) as amended. Such participation may be engaged in as a sole county operation or in conjunction or cooperation with the state, any other county, city, or municipal corporation, or any private corporation qualified under said Economic Opportunity Act.

Sec. 2. Section 2, chapter 14, Laws of 1965 and RCW 43.06.110 are each amended to read as follows:

The governor, or his designee, is hereby authorized and empowered to ((take whatever action is necessary to enable the state to participate in the programs set forth in the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-452; 78 Stat. 508)) The governor, or his designee, is also authorized and empowered to accept and disburse federal grants or federal matching or other funds or donations from any source when made, granted or donated for a purpose covered by said Economic Opportunity Act) undergo such programs as will, in
the judgment of the governor or his designee, enable families and
ingredients of all ages, in rural and urban areas, in need of the
skills, knowledge, motivations, and opportunities to become
economically self-sufficient to obtain and secure such skills,
knowledge, motivations, and opportunities. Such programs may be
engaged in as solely state operations, or in conjunction or
cooperation with any appropriate agency of the federal government,
any branch or agency of the government of this state, any city or
town, county, municipal corporation, metropolitan municipal
corporation or other political subdivision of the state, or any
private corporation. Where compliance with the provisions of federal
law or rules or regulations promulgated thereunder is a necessary
condition to the receipt of federal funds by the state, the governor
or his designee, is hereby authorized to comply with such laws, rules
or regulations to the extent necessary for the state to cooperate
most fully with the federal government in furtherance of the programs
termin authorized.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 35.21 RCW a
new section to read as follows:

The legislative body of any city or town, is hereby authorized
and empowered in its discretion by resolution or ordinance passed by
a majority of the legislative body, to take whatever action it deems
necessary to enable the city or town to participate in the programs
set forth in the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-452;
78 Stat. 508), as amended. Such participation may be engaged in as a
sole city or town operation or in conjunction or cooperation with the
state, any other city or town, county, or municipal corporation, or
any private corporation qualified under said Economic Opportunity
Act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 35A.11 RCW a
new section to read as follows:

The legislative body of any city or town is hereby authorized
and empowered in its discretion by resolution or ordinance passed by
a majority of the legislative body, to take whatever action it deems
necessary to enable the city or town to participate in the programs
set forth in the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-452;
78 Stat. 508), as amended. Such participation may be engaged in as a
sole city or town operation or in conjunction or cooperation with the
state, any other city or town, county, or municipal corporation, or
any private corporation qualified under said Economic Opportunity
Act.

Sec. 5. Section 1, chapter 77, Laws of 1970 ex. sess. and RCW
35.21.660 are each amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all cities shall
have the power and authority to enter into agreements with the United
States or any department or agency thereof, to carry out the purposes of the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966 (PL 89-754; 80 Stat. 1255), and to plan, organize and administer programs provided for in such contracts. This power and authority shall include, but not be limited to, the power and authority to create public corporations, commissions and authorities to perform duties arising under and administer programs provided for in such contracts and to limit the liability of said public corporations, commissions, and authorities, in order to prevent recourse to such cities, their assets, or their credit.

Sec. 6. Section 35.81.010, chapter 7, Laws of 1965 and RCW 35.81.010 are each amended to read as follows:

The following terms wherever used or referred to in this chapter, shall have the following meanings, unless a different meaning is clearly indicated by the context:

(1) "Agency" or "urban renewal agency" shall mean a public agency created by RCW 35.81.16C.

(2) "Blighted area" shall mean an area which, by reason of the substantial physical dilapidation, deterioration, defective construction, material, and arrangement and/or age or obsolescence of buildings or improvements, whether residential or nonresidential, inadequate provision for ventilation, light, proper sanitary facilities, or open spaces as determined by competent appraisers on the basis of an examination of the building standards of the municipality; inappropriate or mixed uses of land or buildings; high density of population and overcrowding; defective or inadequate street layout; faulty lot layout in relation to size, adequacy, accessibility or usefulness; excessive land coverage; insanitary or unsafe conditions; deterioration of site; diversity of ownership; tax or special assessment delinquency exceeding the fair value of the land; defective or unusual conditions of title; improper subdivision or obsolete platting; or the existence of conditions which endanger life or property by fire or other causes, or any combination of such factors, is conducive to ill health, transmission of disease, infant mortality, juvenile delinquency and crime; substantially impairs or arrests the sound growth of the city or its environs, retards the provision of housing accommodations or constitutes an economic or social liability, and/or is detrimental, or constitutes a menace, to the public health, safety, welfare, and morals in its present condition and use.

(3) "Bonds" shall mean any bonds, notes, or debentures (including refunding obligations) herein authorized to be issued.

(4) "Clerk" shall mean the clerk or other official of the municipality who is the custodian of the official records of such municipality.
(5) "Federal government" shall include the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality, corporate or otherwise, of the United States of America.

(6) "Local governing body" shall mean the council or other legislative body charged with governing the municipality.

(7) "Mayor" shall mean the chief executive of a city or town or class AA county.

(8) "Municipality" shall mean any incorporated city or town or class AA county in the state.

(9) "Obligee" shall include any bondholder, agent or trustees for any bondholders, or lessor demising to the municipality property used in connection with an urban renewal project, or any assignee or assignees of such lessor's interest or any part thereof, and the federal government when it is a party to any contract with the municipality.

(10) "Person" shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association, joint stock association, or school district; and shall include any trustee, receiver, assignee, or other person acting in a similar representative capacity.

(11) "Public body" shall mean the state or any municipality, township, board, commission, district, or any other subdivision or public body of the state.

(12) "Public officer" shall mean any officer who is in charge of any department or branch of the government of the municipality relating to health, fire, building regulations, or to other activities concerning dwellings in the municipality.

(13) "Real property" shall include all lands, including improvements and fixtures thereon, and property of any nature appurtenant thereto, or used in connection therewith, and every estate, interest, right and use, legal or equitable, therein, including terms for years and liens by way of judgment, mortgage or otherwise.

(14) "Redevelopment" may include (a) acquisition of a blighted area or portion thereof; (b) demolition and removal of buildings and improvements; (c) installation, construction or reconstruction of streets, utilities, parks, playgrounds, and other improvements necessary for carrying out in the area the urban renewal provisions of this chapter in accordance with the urban renewal plan, and (d) making the land available for development or redevelopment by private enterprise or public agencies (including sale, initial leasing, or retention by the municipality itself) at its fair value for uses in accordance with the urban renewal plan.

(15) "Rehabilitation" may include the restoration and renewal of a blighted area or portion thereof, in accordance with an urban renewal plan, by (a) carrying out plans for a program of voluntary or
compulsory repair and rehabilitation of buildings or other improvements; (b) acquisition of real property and demolition or removal of buildings and improvements thereon where necessary to eliminate unhealthful, insanitary or unsafe conditions, lessen density, reduce traffic hazards, eliminate obsolete or other uses detrimental to the public welfare, or otherwise to remove or prevent the spread of blight or deterioration, or to provide land for needed public facilities; (c) installation, construction or reconstruction of streets, utilities, parks, playgrounds, and other improvements necessary for carrying out in the area the urban renewal provisions of this chapter; and (d) the disposition of any property acquired in such urban renewal area (including sale, initial leasing, or retention by the municipality itself) at its fair value for uses in accordance with such urban renewal plan.

(16) "Urban renewal area" means a blighted area which the local governing body designates as appropriate for an urban renewal project or projects.

(17) "Urban renewal plan" means a plan, as it exists from time to time, for an urban renewal project, which plan (a) shall conform to the comprehensive plan or parts thereof for the municipality as a whole; and (b) shall be sufficiently complete to indicate such land acquisition, demolition, and removal of structures, redevelopment, improvements, and rehabilitation as may be proposed to be carried out in the urban renewal area, zoning and planning changes, if any, land uses, maximum densities, building requirements, and the plan's relationship to definite local objectives respecting appropriate land uses, improved traffic, public transportation, public utilities, recreational and community facilities, and other public improvements.

(18) "Urban renewal project" may include undertakings or activities of a municipality in an urban renewal area for the elimination and for the prevention of the development or spread of blight, and may involve redevelopment in an urban renewal area, or rehabilitation in an urban renewal area, or any combination or part thereof in accordance with an urban renewal plan.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. There is added to chapter 35.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any public corporation, commission or authority created as provided in section 5 hereof, may be empowered to own and sell real and personal property; to contract with individuals, associations and corporations, and the state and the United States; to sue and be sued; to loan and borrow funds; to do anything a natural person may do; and to perform all manner and type of community services and activities in furtherance of an agreement by a city or by the public corporation, commission or authority with the United States to carry out the purposes of the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan
Develnpment Act of 1966: PROVIDED, That

(1) All liabilities incurred by such public corporation, commission or authority shall be satisfied exclusively from the assets and credit of such public corporation, commission or authority; and no creditor or other person shall have any recourse to the assets, credit or services of the municipal corporation creating the same on account of any debts, obligations or liabilities of such public corporation, commission or authority;

(2) Such public corporation, commission or authority shall have no power of eminent domain nor any power to levy taxes or special assessments;

(3) The name, the organization, the purposes and scope of activities, the powers and duties of the officers, and the disposition of property upon dissolution of such public corporation, commission or authority shall be set forth in its charter of incorporation or organization, or in a general ordinance of the city or both.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. This 1971 amendatory act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 178
[Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 433]
ELECTIONS--
RESIDENCY--SPECIAL VOTERS

AN ACT Relating to elections; amending section 29.01.140, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.01.140; amending section 29.39.120, chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and RCW 29.39.120; amending section 1, chapter 73, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 29.72.010; amending section 2, chapter 73, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 29.72.020; amending section 3, chapter 73, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 29.72.030; amending section 4, chapter 73, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 29.72.040; amending section 5, chapter 73, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 29.72.050; amending section 6, chapter 73, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 29.72.060; amending section 7, chapter 73, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 29.72.070; amending section 9, chapter 73, Laws