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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The American revolution bicentennial commission of the state of Washington having achieved the purposes and requirements of chapter 43.125 RCW is hereby abolished.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The Washington state historical society shall be the successor agency to the American revolution bicentennial commission for the following purposes:

1. To oversee and carry forward any unfinished projects as directed by the commission prior to abolition;

2. To make any and all reports on operations and expenditures of the commission as required by federal and state agencies; and

3. To take permanent custody of all records, equipment, publications, funds, and other property of the commission.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:

1. Section 1, chapter 76, Laws of 1972 ex. sess., section 132, chapter 34, Laws of 1975—76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW 43.125.010;

2. Section 2, chapter 76, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. and RCW 43.125.020;

3. Section 3, chapter 76, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. and RCW 43.125.030;

4. Section 4, chapter 76, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. and RCW 43.125.040;

5. Section 5, chapter 76, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. and RCW 43.125.050; and


NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. This 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.

Passed the Senate April 27, 1977.
Passed the House April 26, 1977.
Approved by the Governor May 4, 1977.
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CHAPTER 18
[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2478]
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION—DEBT COLLECTION—FINANCE CHARGES

AN ACT Relating to the control and collection of debts owed to state public or private institutions of higher education; adding a new section to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.10 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Each state public or private institution of higher education may, in the control and collection of any debt or claim owing to it, impose reasonable financing
and late charges, as well as reasonable costs and expenses incurred in the collection of such debts, if provided for in the note or agreement signed by the debtor.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This 1977 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 19
[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2325]
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS—FISCAL IMPACT OF LEGISLATION—FISCAL NOTES

AN ACT Relating to cities, towns, counties, and other units of local government; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. It is the intent of this chapter to create a uniform and coordinated procedure to determine the fiscal impact of proposed legislation on units of local government.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The director of the office of program planning and fiscal management or the director's designee shall, in cooperation with appropriate legislative committees and legislative staff, establish a mechanism for the determination of the fiscal impact of proposed legislation which if enacted into law would directly or indirectly increase or decrease revenues received or expenditures incurred by counties, cities, towns, or any other political subdivisions of the state. The office of program planning and fiscal management shall, when requested by a member of the state legislature, report in writing as to such fiscal impact and said report shall be known as a "fiscal note".

Such fiscal notes shall indicate by fiscal year the total impact on the subdivisions involved for the first two years the legislation would be in effect and also a cumulative six year forecast of the fiscal impact. Where feasible and applicable, the fiscal note also shall indicate the fiscal impact on each individual county or on a representative sampling of cities, towns, or other political subdivisions.

A fiscal note as defined in this section shall be provided only upon request of any member of the state legislature. A legislator also may request that such a fiscal note be revised to reflect the impact of proposed amendments or substitute bills. Fiscal notes shall be completed within seventy-two hours of the request unless a longer time period is allowed by the requesting legislator. In the event a fiscal note has not been completed within seventy-two hours of a request, a daily report shall be prepared for the requesting legislator by the director of the office of program planning and fiscal management which report summarizes the progress in preparing the fiscal note. If the request is referred to the director of the planning and community affairs agency, the daily report shall also include the date and time such referral was made.