

of the United States having to do with the subject of aeronautics.

SEC. 18. *Short Title.* This act may be cited as Title. the "Revised Airports Act."

SEC. 19. *Repeal.* All acts and parts of acts in Repeal. conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

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## CHAPTER 183.

[ S. B. 231. ]

### PUBLIC HEALTH.

AN ACT relating to the public health; providing for the establishment of health districts and ratifying formations and combinations of certain governmental units as health districts and expenditures by counties, cities and towns in connection therewith.

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

SECTION 1. For the purpose of this act words and Definitions. phrases shall have the meaning herein ascribed to them:

"Health district" means all the territory embraced within a single county and all cities and towns therein, except primary cities, and/or all the territory consisting of one or more counties and all the cities and towns in all of the combined counties, except primary cities, which have been combined and organized as hereinafter provided. No city having a population of one hundred thousand (100,000) or more shall be included in any health district. Health district.

"Primary city" as used herein shall mean a city Primary city. having a population of twenty thousand (20,000) or more and less than one hundred thousand (100,000).

Joint county  
districts.

SEC. 2. Health districts consisting of two (2) or more counties may be created whenever two (2) or more boards of county commissioners shall by resolution declare their intention to combine for such purpose. Such a district shall consist of all the area of the combined counties including all cities and towns except primary cities. The health board of such a district shall consist of two (2) members of the Board of County Commissioners of each county member, appointed by the respective Boards of County Commissioners of each county included in the district, together with members selected by cities and towns included in said district, as hereinafter provided.

Single  
county  
district.

SEC. 3. A health district to consist of one (1) county only and including all cities and towns therein except primary cities may be created whenever the Board of County Commissioners of the county shall pass a resolution declaring its intention to organize such a health district under this act. The District Board of Health of such district shall consist of the three (3) members of the Board of County Commissioners of the county, together with members selected by the cities and towns included in said district, as hereinafter provided.

City district.

SEC. 4. Whenever a primary city desires to be included in a health district and shall through its legislative authority petition the District Board of Health to be included and the District Board of Health and the city legislative authority agree as to the functions to be performed for the city by the health district and the amount of financial contributions to be made by the city to the health district such cities shall be included in the health district. Whenever any such city is included within a health district, its Board of Health and its Health Officer shall continue to exercise such powers and duties as are otherwise by law vested and imposed upon

them and which are not to be performed and exercised by the District Board of Health and District Health Officer under the agreement in which the city is included in the health district.

SEC. 5. Whenever a primary city is included in a health district it shall be entitled to have two (2) members on the District Health Board to be selected by the legislative body of the city from among its membership. If only one second, third or fourth class city makes a financial contribution to the district health fund satisfactory to the board and is included in the health district, each of such cities shall be entitled to one (1) member on the board; but where more than one city of any of such classes makes such contribution and is included in the district, all cities of the same class shall by joint action of their legislative bodies appoint one (1) member of the district board from among their legislative bodies who shall be the representative of all cities of the same class. All appointments shall be made within thirty (30) days after the formation of the district. Vacancies on the District Board of Health shall be filled by appointment within thirty (30) days and made in the same manner as was the original appointment. Representatives on the district board of the various units of the district shall continue at the pleasure of the legislative body of the unit.

City's  
membership  
on District  
Health  
Board.

Vacancies.

SEC. 6. The District Board of Health shall constitute the Board of Health for all the territory included in the health district, and shall supersede and exercise all the powers and perform all the duties by law vested in the County or City or Town Board of Health of any county, city or town included in the health district, except as herein otherwise provided.

District  
Board of  
Health.

SEC. 7. The District Board of Health shall elect a chairman, and appoint a District Health Officer

District  
Health  
Officer.

who shall be a qualified physician trained and experienced in public health administration, and who shall act as executive secretary to, and administrative officer for the District Board of Health. He shall also be empowered to employ such technical and other personnel as approved by the District Board of Health. The District Health Officer shall be paid such salary and allowed such expenses as shall be determined by the District Board of Health. The District Health Officer shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board, and shall not be removed until after notice is given him, and an opportunity for a hearing before the Board as to the reason for his removal.

District  
health fund.

SEC. 8. Each Health District shall establish a fund to be designated as the "district health fund," in which shall be placed all sums received by the district from any source, and out of which shall be expended all sums disbursed by the district. The County Treasurer of the county in the district embracing only one county; or, in a district composed of more than one county the County Treasurer of the county having the largest population shall be the custodian of the fund, and the County Auditor of said county shall keep the record of the receipts and disbursements, and shall draw and the County Treasurer shall honor and pay all warrants, which shall be approved before issuance and payment as directed by the Board.

Contribu-  
tions for  
expenses.

Each county, city or town which is included in the district shall contribute such sums towards the expense for maintaining and operating the district as shall be agreed upon between them. Payments into the fund of the district may be made by the county or city or town members during the first year of membership in said district from any funds of the respective county, city or town as would otherwise be available for expenditures for health facilities and services, and thereafter the members

shall include items in their respective budgets for payments to finance the health district.

SEC. 9. Any county or any city or town may withdraw from membership in said health district any time after it has been within the district for a period of two (2) years, but no withdrawal shall be effective except at the end of the calendar year in which the county, city or town gives at least six (6) months' notice of its intention to withdraw at the end of the calendar year. No withdrawal shall entitle any member to a refund of any monies paid to the district nor relieve it of any obligations to pay to the district all sums for which it obligated itself for the year at the end of which the withdrawal is to be effective.

With-  
drawals.

SEC. 10. Any expenditures heretofore made by any county, city or town, not made fraudulently and which were within the legal limits of indebtedness, towards the expense of maintenance and operation of a health district consisting of any combination of a county or counties, cities and towns, are hereby legalized and ratified.

Expendi-  
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