

CHAPTER 164.

[ H. B. 272. ]

CITY STREETS.

AN ACT relating to city streets, providing for the classification thereof, and providing for the fixing of design standards applicable to certain classifications; providing for the maintaining of records relating to state aid for streets; and declaring an emergency.

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

Classification and designation of city streets.

SECTION 1. Within ninety (90) days of the effective date hereof and from time to time thereafter the governing body of each municipal corporation shall classify and designate city streets as follows:

Major arterials.

Major arterials, which are defined as transportation arteries which connect the focal points of traffic interest within a city; arteries which provide communications with other communities and the outlying areas; or arteries which have relatively high traffic volume compared with other streets within the city;

Secondary arterials.

Secondary arterials which are defined as routes which serve lesser points of traffic interest within a city; provide communication with outlying districts in the same degree or serve to collect and distribute traffic from the major arterials to the local streets;

Access streets.

Access streets which are defined as land service streets and are generally limited to providing access to abutting property. They are tributary to the major and secondary thoroughfares and generally discourage through traffic.

State Design Standards Committee.

SEC. 2. There is hereby created a State Design Standards Committee of seven (7) members, six (6) of which shall be appointed by the executive committee of the Association of Washington Cities to hold office at its pleasure and the seventh to be the Assistant State Director of Highways in charge of state aid. The members to be appointed by the exec-

utive committee of the Association of Washington Cities shall be restricted to the membership of said association or to those holding office and/or performing the function of chief engineer in any of the several municipalities of the state.

SEC. 3. On or before January 1, 1950, and from time to time thereafter the Design Standards Committee shall adopt uniform design standards for major arterial and secondary arterial streets.

Uniform designs standards to be adopted.

SEC. 4. Upon the adoption of uniform design standards the governing body of the several municipalities shall apply the same to all new construction on, and as far as practicable and feasible to reconstruction of old, major arterial and secondary arterial streets within the said municipalities. No deviation from such design standards as to such streets shall be made without the approval of the Assistant State Director of Highways for state aid.

Municipalities shall apply standards.

SEC. 5. The City Engineer or the City Clerk of each city or town shall maintain records to accurately reflect the receipt and expenditure of all moneys used for construction, repair or maintenance of streets and arterial highways.

Record of receipt and expenditures.

In order to assist in maintaining uniformity in such records, the Division of Municipal Corporations, with the advice and assistance of the Department of Highways, shall prescribe forms and types of records to be so maintained.

Forms and types of records.

SEC. 6. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, and shall take effect immediately.

Emergency.

Passed the House March 8, 1949.

Passed the Senate March 6, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1949.