

auction or in excess of)) the maximum rate permitted by any applicable governmental regulation.

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CHAPTER 51
[House Bill No. 1173]
COUNTY ASSISTANCE TO
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES

AN ACT Relating to counties; and adding a new section to chapter 36.32 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is hereby added to chapter 36.32 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The legislative authority of any county shall have the power to furnish, upon such terms as the board may deem proper, with or without consideration, financial or other assistance to any municipal corporation, or political subdivision within such county for the purpose of implementing the fire protection, ambulance, medical or other emergency services provided by such municipal corporation, or political subdivision: PROVIDED, That no such municipal corporation or political subdivision shall be authorized to expend any funds or property received as part of such assistance for any purpose, or in any manner, for which it could not otherwise legally expend its own funds.

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Passed the Senate February 6, 1974.
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CHAPTER 52
[House Bill No. 1180]
COUNTY PURCHASES—COMPETITIVE
BIDDING, ELECTION PRINTING--EXEMPTION

AN ACT Relating to counties; and amending section 36.32.240, chapter 4, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 15, chapter 144, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 36.32.240.

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

Section 1. Section 36.32.240, chapter 4, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 15, chapter 144, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 36.32.240 are each amended to read as follows:

In any county the board of county commissioners may by resolution establish a county purchasing department and thereafter such department shall contract on a competitive basis for all public works and purchase or lease on a competitive basis all supplies, materials, and equipment, for all departments of the county, exclusive of the county hospital, pursuant to the provisions hereof and under such rules as the board shall by resolution adopt, except for such contracts and purchases as shall be made pursuant to RCW 36.77.060, 36.77.070 and 36.82.130, and except for such contracts and purchases for the printing of election ballots, voting machine labels and all other election material containing the names of candidates and ballot titles: PROVIDED, That in all class AA or class A counties or in any county of the first class it shall be mandatory that a purchasing department be established.

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CHAPTER 53

[House Bill No. 1206]

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING TRUST FUND

AN ACT Relating to state government; amending section 1, chapter 129, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 43.79.415; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 129, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 43.79.415 are each amended to read as follows:

The proceeds from federal revenue sharing shall be deposited in the federal revenue sharing trust fund hereby created in the state treasury and shall be used for purposes as authorized by the legislature and within federal rules and regulations. On the effective date of the appropriation, or if previously appropriated the state treasurer shall transfer out of the trust fund the amount appropriated less amounts previously transferred to the fund out of which such appropriation has been made. In the event that federal revenue sharing trust funds have been appropriated out of more than one fund the first priority shall be to transfer sufficient moneys to meet the ensuing quarters' cash requirements of each appropriation. Interest earnings on ((said)) the federal revenue sharing trust fund