

an identification number. The applicant for such assignment of number shall be, in case of a trailer,) This assigned ((a proper)) identification number ((which)) shall be placed or stamped in a conspicuous position upon the ((outside of the trailer)) vehicle in such manner and form as may be prescribed by the director. Upon receipt by the director of a certificate by an officer of the Washington state patrol, or other person authorized by the director, that he has inspected such vehicle and that the ((motor number; or)) identification number((; together with the symbol so assigned;)) or the special ((serial)) number plate, ((have)) has been ((legally pressed or cut in a conspicuous position upon the motor or upon the most permanent part of the motor vehicle most readily accessible for inspection; or)) stamped or securely attached in a conspicuous position upon the ((outside of the trailer)) vehicle, accompanied by an application for a certificate of ownership or application for reissue of such certificate and the required fee therefor, the director shall use such number ((and such symbol)) as the numerical or alpha-numerical identification marks for the vehicle in any certificate of license registration or certificate of ownership he may thereafter issue therefor.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This 1974 amendatory act shall take effect on July 1, 1974.

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CHAPTER 37

[Engrossed Third Substitute Senate Bill No. 2843]

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS—FEDERALLY ASSISTED  
PROGRAM PARTICIPATION—PUBLIC  
CORPORATIONS, COMMISSIONS, AUTHORITIES

AN ACT Relating to local government; authorizing counties, cities, and towns to participate in and implement federally-assisted programs, including revenue sharing; providing for public corporations, commissions, and authorities in connection therewith; adding new sections to chapter 35.21 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 35.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The legislature hereby recognizes that an increasing number of federal grants or programs are available to the cities, towns, and

counties of this state and that such programs provide our cities, towns, and counties with the opportunity and ability to render substantially improved services to their residents.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 35.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

In order to improve the administration of authorized federal grants or programs, including revenue sharing, improve governmental efficiency, services, and the general living conditions in the urban areas of the state, any city, town, or county utilizing federal or private funds may by lawfully adopted ordinance or resolution:

(1) Transfer to any public corporation, commission, or authority, with or without consideration, any funds, real or personal property, property interests, or services, all of which are received from the federal government or from private sources;

(2) Organize and participate in joint operations or cooperative organizations funded by the federal government when acting solely as coordinators or agents of the federal government;

(3) Continue federally-assisted programs, projects, and activities after expiration of contractual term or after expending allocated federal funds as deemed appropriate to fulfill contracts made in connection with such agreements or as may be proper to permit an orderly readjustment by participating corporations, associations, or individuals: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That nothing herein shall be construed in a manner contrary to the provisions of Article VIII, section 7, of the Washington state constitution;

(4) Create public corporations, commissions, and authorities to administer and execute federal grants or programs; to receive and administer private funds, goods, or services for any lawful public purpose; and to limit the liability of such public corporations, commissions, and authorities to the assets and properties of such public corporation, commission, or authority in order to prevent recourse to such cities, towns, or counties or their assets or credit.

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

The legislature hereby declares that carrying out the purposes of federal grants or programs is both a public purpose and an appropriate function for such a public corporation. The provisions of this 1974 act and RCW 35.21.660 and 35.21.670 and the enabling authority herein conferred to implement these provisions shall be construed to accomplish the purposes of this 1974 act.

All cities, towns and counties shall have the power and authority to enter into agreements with the United States or any agency or department thereof, or any agency of the state government

or its political subdivisions, and pursuant to such agreements may receive and expend federal or private funds for any lawful public purpose.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 35.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Powers, authorities, or rights expressly or impliedly granted to any city, town, or county or their agents under any provision of this 1974 act shall not be operable or applicable, or have any effect beyond the limits of the incorporated area of any city or town implementing the 1974 act, unless so provided by contract between the city and another city or county.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. There is added to chapter 35.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Any city, town, or county which shall create a public corporation, commission, or authority pursuant to section 2 of this 1974 act or RCW 35.21.660, shall provide for its organization and operations and shall control and oversee its operation and funds in order to correct any deficiency and to assure that the purposes of each program undertaken are reasonably accomplished.

Any public corporation, commission, or authority created as provided in section 2 of this 1974 act 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; transfer, with or without consideration, any funds, real or personal property, property interests, or services received from the federal government, private sources or, if otherwise legal, from a city or county; to do anything a natural person may do; and to perform all manner and type of community services utilizing federal or private funds: PROVIDED, That such public corporation, commission, or authority shall have no power of eminent domain nor any power to levy taxes or special assessments.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. There is added to chapter 35.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

In the event of the insolvency or dissolution of a public corporation, commission, or authority, the superior court of the county in which the public corporation, commission, or authority is or was operating shall have jurisdiction and authority to appoint trustees or receivers of corporate property and assets and supervise such trusteeship or receivership: PROVIDED, That all liabilities incurred by such public corporation, commission, or authority shall be satisfied exclusively from the assets and properties of such public corporation, commission, or authority and no creditor or other person shall have any right of action against the city, town, or

county creating such corporation, commission or authority on account of any debts, obligations, or liabilities of such public corporation, commission, or authority.

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

A public corporation, commission, or authority created pursuant to section 2 of this 1974 act or RCW 35.21.660 shall receive the same immunity or exemption from taxation as that of the city, town, or county creating the same: PROVIDED, That, except for any property listed on, or which is within a district listed on any federal or state register of historical sites, any such public corporation, commission, or authority shall pay to the county treasurer an annual excise tax equal to the amounts which would be paid upon real property and personal property devoted to the purposes of such public corporation, commission, or authority were it in private ownership, and such real property and personal property is acquired and/or operated under this 1974 act, and the proceeds of such excise tax shall be allocated by the county treasurer to the various taxing authorities in which such property is situated, in the same manner as though the property were in private ownership.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. 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.

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CHAPTER 38

[Senate Bill No. 3077]

HORSE IDENTIFICATION--MANDATORY  
BRAND INSPECTION POINTS--FEES--  
BRAND REGISTRATION

AN ACT Relating to identification of horses; and adding new sections to chapter 16.57 RCW.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 16.57 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Brand inspection of horses shall be mandatory at the following points: