

CHAPTER 124

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 3226]
SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGETS—
SHORT FISCAL PERIOD

AN ACT Relating to education; amending section 20, chapter ... (SSB 3127), Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW (____); and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 20, chapter ... (SSB 3127), Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. and RCW (____) are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In order to implement the change in fiscal years provided in sections 1 through 19 of ~~((this 1976 amendatory act))~~ chapter ... (SSB 3127), Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess. a short fiscal period shall exist from July 1, 1977 through August 31, 1977.

(2) Budgets for the period July 1, 1977 through August 31, 1977, shall be prepared and adopted in the format provided by the office of the superintendent of public instruction. The budget classifications shall be in accordance with the latest revised accounting manual for public school districts published by the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the office of the state auditor.

(3) The revenue section of said budget shall set forth the estimated revenues from all sources for said period and the probable cash balance and investments available for said period disbursements at the close of the 1976-77 fiscal year: PROVIDED, That school districts pursuant to instructions promulgated by the superintendent of public instruction shall be granted permission to include as revenues in said budget receivables collectible in future fiscal periods.

(4) The expenditure section of said budget shall set forth by detailed items or classes the estimated expenditures for said period.

(5) The estimated disbursements for said period must not be greater than the total of the estimated revenues for said period, the probable net cash balance, and investments at the close of the 1976-77 fiscal year, and the projected revenue from receivables collectible in future periods approved by the superintendent of public instruction for inclusion in said budget.

(6) On or before May 10, ~~((1976))~~ 1977, all school districts shall prepare their budgets for the period of July 1, 1977 through August 31, 1977.

(7) All school districts after completion of said budget shall publish a notice stating that the district has completed the budget and placed the same on file in the district administration office, that a copy thereof will be furnished any person who will call upon the district for it, and that the school district board of directors will meet for the purpose of fixing and adopting said budget of the district for said period. Such notice shall designate the date, time and place of said meeting which shall occur on or before June 30, 1977, for first class school districts, and June 1, 1977, for second class school districts.

The notice shall also state that any person may appear thereat and be heard for or against any part of said budget. Said notice shall be published at least once each week for two consecutive weeks following preparation of said budget in a

newspaper of general circulation in the district, or if there be none, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county: PROVIDED, That the second notice shall be published no later than seven days immediately prior to the hearing.

The district shall provide a sufficient number of copies of said budget to meet the reasonable demands of the public and the same shall be available for distribution not later than fourteen days preceding the date set for the public hearing.

(8) On the date given in said notice the school district board of directors shall meet at the time and place designated. Any person may appear thereat and be heard for or against any part of said budget. Such hearing may be continued not to exceed a total of two days.

Upon conclusion of the hearing, the school district board of directors shall fix and determine the appropriation from each fund contained in said budget separately and shall by resolution adopt the budget and the appropriations as so finally determined and enter the same in the official minutes of the board.

(9) First class school districts shall file four copies of their adopted budget for said period with their educational service district no later than July 10, 1977.

(10) Second class school districts shall forward five copies of their adopted budget for said period with their educational service district for review, alteration and approval no later than June 3, 1977.

(11) The educational service districts shall fix and approve the amount of the appropriation from each fund of the budget for second class school districts for the period July 1, 1977 through August 31, 1977, not later than June 30, 1977. One copy of said budget shall be returned to the district.

(12) The educational service district shall file a copy of said budget for all school districts no later than July 10, 1977, with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the office of the state auditor and the appropriate county auditor(s). A copy shall be retained by the educational service district.

(13) Financial reports shall be prepared and submitted by local school districts, educational service districts, county auditors and county treasurers on the formats provided by the office of the superintendent of public instruction. Filing shall be in accordance with the instructions issued jointly by the superintendent of public instruction and the state auditor.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This 1976 amendatory 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 125

[House Bill No. 1403]

SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES— CAPITAL FACILITIES BOND ISSUE

AN ACT Relating to the support of state government; providing for the planning, acquisition, construction, remodeling, improving, and equipping of social and health services facilities; providing