
HOUSE BILL 1790

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1 AN ACT Relating to the appointment of the director of a combined
2 city and county health department; amending RCW 70.08.040; and
3 declaring an emergency.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.08.040 and 1985 c 124 s 4 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary contained in any
8 city or county charter, where a combined department is established
9 under this chapter, the director of public health under this chapter
10 shall be appointed by the county executive of the county and the mayor
11 of the city (~~for a term of four years and until a successor is~~
12 ~~appointed and confirmed. The director of public health may be~~
13 ~~reappointed by the county executive of the county and the mayor of the~~
14 ~~city for additional four year terms)). The appointment shall be
15 effective only upon a majority vote confirmation of the legislative
16 authority of the county and the legislative authority of the city. The
17 director may be removed by the county executive of the county, after
18 consultation with the mayor of the city, upon filing a statement of~~

1 reasons therefor with the legislative authorities of the county and the
2 city.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
4 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
5 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
6 effect immediately.

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