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By Senators Winsley and Haugen

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1 AN ACT Relating to ordinance information pooling; amending RCW  
2 35A.39.010; and adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 35.21 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) It is the purpose of this section to provide a means whereby  
7 all cities and towns may obtain, through a single source, information  
8 regarding ordinances of other cities and towns that may be of  
9 assistance to them in enacting appropriate local legislation.

10 (2) For the purposes of this section, (a) "clerk" means the city or  
11 town clerk or other person who is lawfully designated to perform the  
12 recordkeeping function of that office, and (b) "municipal research  
13 council" means the municipal research council created by chapter 43.110  
14 RCW.

15 (3) The clerk of every city and town is directed to provide to the  
16 municipal research council or its designee, promptly after adoption, a  
17 copy of each of its regulatory ordinances and such other ordinances or  
18 kinds of ordinances as may be described in a list or lists promulgated

1 by the municipal research council or its designee from time to time,  
2 and may provide such copies without charge. The municipal research  
3 council may provide that information to the entity with which it  
4 contracts for the provision of municipal research and services, in  
5 order to provide a pool of information for all cities and towns in the  
6 state of Washington.

7 (4) This section is intended to be directory and not mandatory.

8 **Sec. 2.** RCW 35A.39.010 and 1967 ex.s. c 119 s 35A.39.010 are each  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Every code city shall keep a journal of minutes of its legislative  
11 meetings with orders, resolutions and ordinances passed, and records of  
12 the proceedings of any city department, division or commission  
13 performing quasi judicial functions as required by ordinances of the  
14 city and general laws of the state and shall keep such records open to  
15 the public as required by RCW 42.32.030 and shall keep and preserve all  
16 public records and publications or reproduce and destroy the same as  
17 provided by Title 40 RCW. Each code city (~~shall provide three copies~~  
18 ~~of each of its ordinances of general application to the association of~~  
19 ~~Washington cities without charge and~~) may duplicate and sell copies of  
20 its ordinances at fees reasonably calculated to defray the cost of such  
21 duplication and handling.

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