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## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1021

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By House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Springer, H. Myers and Morris)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to ordinances of cities and towns; amending RCW
- 2 35.27.320; adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW; and prescribing
- 3 penalties.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 35.21 RCW 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (1) It is the purpose of this section to provide a means whereby
- 8 all cities and towns may obtain, through a single source, information
- 9 regarding ordinances of other cities and towns that may be of
- 10 assistance to them in enacting appropriate local legislation.
- 11 (2) For the purposes of this section, (a) "clerk" means the city or
- 12 town clerk or other person who is lawfully designated to perform the
- 13 recordkeeping function of that office, and (b) "municipal research
- 14 council" means the municipal research council created by chapter 43.110
- 15 RCW.
- 16 (3) The clerk of every city and town is directed to provide to the
- 17 municipal research council or its designee, after adoption, a copy of
- 18 each of its regulatory ordinances and such other ordinances or kinds of
- 19 ordinances as may be described in a list or lists promulgated by the

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- 1 municipal research council or its designee from time to time, and may
- 2 provide such copies without charge. The municipal research council may
- 3 provide that information to the entity with which it contracts for the
- 4 provision of municipal research and services, in order to provide a
- $5\,$  pool of information for all cities and towns in the state of
- 6 Washington.
- 7 (4) This section is intended to be directory and not mandatory.
- 8 **Sec. 2.** RCW 35.27.320 and 1965 c 7 s 35.27.320 are each amended to 9 read as follows:
- 10 The violation of an ordinance of a town shall be a misdemeanor or
- 11 <u>a civil violation subject to a monetary penalty</u>, and may be prosecuted
- 12 by the authorities thereof in the name of the people of the state of
- 13 Washington or may be redressed by civil action.
- Any person sentenced to imprisonment may be imprisoned in the town
- 15 jail, or if the council by ordinance shall so prescribe and if the
- 16 county ((commissioners)) legislative authority have consented thereto,
- 17 he or she may be imprisoned in the county jail, the expense thereof to
- 18 be a charge against the town and in favor of the county.

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