
SENATE BILL 5997

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By Senators Honeyford and Hargrove

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1 AN ACT Relating to clarifying the economic development powers of
2 cities, towns, and counties; amending RCW 35.21.703 and 36.01.085; and
3 creating a new section.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.21.703 and 1985 c 92 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 ~~((It shall be in the public purpose for all))~~ Cities ((to)) may
8 engage in economic development activities or programs. In order to
9 meet its economic development goals and objectives, any city or town is
10 authorized, without limitation, to transfer or loan to the state, any
11 city, county, special purpose district, public development authority or
12 other political subdivision or instrumentality, or the federal
13 government or any Indian tribe, any funds, real or personal property,
14 property interests, or services. In addition, cities may contract with
15 for-profit and nonprofit corporations or other entities in furtherance
16 of this and other acts relating to economic development.

17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 36.01.085 and 1985 c 92 s 2 are each amended to read
18 as follows:

1 (~~It shall be in the public purpose for all~~) Counties (~~to~~) may
2 engage in economic development activities or programs. In order to
3 meet its economic development goals and objectives, any county is
4 authorized, without limitation, to transfer or loan to the state, any
5 city, county, special purpose district, public development authority or
6 other political subdivision or instrumentality, or the federal
7 government or any Indian tribe, any funds, real or personal property,
8 property interests, or services. In addition, counties may contract
9 with for-profit and nonprofit corporations or other entities in
10 furtherance of this and other acts relating to economic development.

11 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The powers granted by this act are
12 supplemental to those previously authorized by law, and nothing in this
13 act shall be deemed to limit any other authority of cities, towns, and
14 counties. All prior actions consistent with the provisions of this act
15 are ratified, confirmed, and validated.

16 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. If any provision of this act or its
17 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
18 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
19 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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