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SENATE BILL 5060

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By Senators Haugen and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to publication of legal notices by political  
2 subdivisions; and amending RCW 65.16.160.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 65.16.160 and 1994 c 273 s 19 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) Whenever any county(~~(, city, or town)~~) is required by law to  
7 publish legal notices containing the full text of any proposed or  
8 adopted ordinance in a newspaper, the county(~~(, city, or town)~~) may  
9 publish a summary of the ordinance which summary shall be approved by  
10 the governing body and which shall include:

- 11 (a) The name of the county(~~(, city, or town)~~);  
12 (b) The formal identification or citation number of the ordinance;  
13 (c) A descriptive title;  
14 (d) A section-by-section summary;  
15 (e) Any other information which the county(~~(, city, or town)~~) finds  
16 is necessary to provide a complete summary; and  
17 (f) A statement that the full text will be mailed upon request.

18 Publication of the title of an ordinance by a (~~city or town~~)  
19 county authorizing the issuance of bonds, notes, or other evidences of

1 indebtedness shall constitute publication of a complete summary of that  
2 ordinance, and a section-by-section summary shall not be required.

3 (2) Subsection (1) of this section notwithstanding, whenever any  
4 publication is made under this section and the proposed or adopted  
5 ordinance contains provisions regarding taxation or penalties or  
6 contains legal descriptions of real property, then the sections  
7 containing this matter shall be published in full and shall not be  
8 summarized. When a legal description of real property is involved, the  
9 notice shall also include the street address or addresses of the  
10 property described, if any. In the case of descriptions covering more  
11 than one street address, the street addresses of the four corners of  
12 the area described shall meet this requirement.

13 (3) The full text of any ordinance which is summarized by  
14 publication under this section shall be mailed without charge to any  
15 person who requests the text from the adopting county(~~(, city, or~~  
16 ~~town)~~).

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