
BILL REQUEST - CODE REVISER'S OFFICE

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ATTY/TYPIST: KB:as

BRIEF TITLE:

2 ESB 5816 - H COMM AMD
3 By Committee on Local Government

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "Sec. 1. RCW 58.17.020 and 1995 c 32 s 2 are each amended to read
8 as follows:

9 As used in this chapter, unless the context or subject matter
10 clearly requires otherwise, the words or phrases defined in this
11 section shall have the indicated meanings.

12 (1) "Subdivision" is the division or redivision of land into five
13 or more lots, tracts, parcels, sites, or divisions for the purpose of
14 sale, lease, or transfer of ownership, except as provided in subsection
15 (6) of this section.

16 (2) "Plat" is a map or representation of a subdivision, showing
17 thereon the division of a tract or parcel of land into lots, blocks,
18 streets and alleys, or other divisions and dedications.

19 (3) "Dedication" is the deliberate appropriation of land by an
20 owner for any general and public uses, reserving to himself or herself
21 no other rights than such as are compatible with the full exercise and
22 enjoyment of the public uses to which the property has been devoted.
23 The intention to dedicate shall be evidenced by the owner by the
24 presentment for filing of a final plat or short plat showing the
25 dedication thereon; and, the acceptance by the public shall be
26 evidenced by the approval of such plat for filing by the appropriate
27 governmental unit.

28 A dedication of an area of less than two acres for use as a public
29 park may include a designation of a name for the park, in honor of a
30 deceased individual of good character.

31 (4) "Preliminary plat" is a neat and approximate drawing of a
32 proposed subdivision showing the general layout of streets and alleys,
33 lots, blocks, and other elements of a subdivision consistent with the
34 requirements of this chapter. The preliminary plat shall be the basis
35 for the approval or disapproval of the general layout of a subdivision.

1 (5) "Final plat" is the final drawing of the subdivision and
2 dedication prepared for filing for record with the county auditor and
3 containing all elements and requirements set forth in this chapter and
4 in local regulations adopted under this chapter.

5 (6) "Short subdivision" is the division or redivision of land into
6 four or fewer lots, tracts, parcels, sites, or divisions for the
7 purpose of sale, lease, or transfer of ownership(~~(:—PROVIDED, That)~~).
8 However, the legislative authority of any city or town may by local
9 ordinance increase the number of lots, tracts, or parcels to be
10 regulated as short subdivisions to a maximum of nine. The legislative
11 authority of any county planning under RCW 36.70A.040 that has adopted
12 a comprehensive plan and development regulations in compliance with
13 chapter 36.70A RCW may by ordinance increase the number of lots,
14 tracts, or parcels to be regulated as short subdivisions to a maximum
15 of nine in any urban growth area.

16 (7) "Binding site plan" means a drawing to a scale specified by
17 local ordinance which: (a) Identifies and shows the areas and
18 locations of all streets, roads, improvements, utilities, open spaces,
19 and any other matters specified by local regulations; (b) contains
20 inscriptions or attachments setting forth such appropriate limitations
21 and conditions for the use of the land as are established by the local
22 government body having authority to approve the site plan; and (c)
23 contains provisions making any development be in conformity with the
24 site plan.

25 (8) "Short plat" is the map or representation of a short
26 subdivision.

27 (9) "Lot" is a fractional part of divided lands having fixed
28 boundaries, being of sufficient area and dimension to meet minimum
29 zoning requirements for width and area. The term shall include tracts
30 or parcels.

31 (10) "Block" is a group of lots, tracts, or parcels within well
32 defined and fixed boundaries.

33 (11) "County treasurer" shall be as defined in chapter 36.29 RCW or
34 the office or person assigned such duties under a county charter.

35 (12) "County auditor" shall be as defined in chapter 36.22 RCW or
36 the office or person assigned such duties under a county charter.

37 (13) "County road engineer" shall be as defined in chapter 36.40
38 RCW or the office or person assigned such duties under a county
39 charter.

1 (14) "Planning commission" means that body as defined in
2 chapter(~~s~~) 36.70, 35.63, or 35A.63 RCW as designated by the
3 legislative body to perform a planning function or that body assigned
4 such duties and responsibilities under a city or county charter.

5 (15) "County commissioner" shall be as defined in chapter 36.32 RCW
6 or the body assigned such duties under a county charter."

7 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Eliminates provisions exempting the creation of
conservation parcels from subdivision requirements.

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