
HOUSE BILL 2113

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1 AN ACT Relating to street vacation; and amending RCW 35.79.030.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.79.030 and 1987 c 228 s 1 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 The hearing on such petition may be held before the legislative
6 authority, or before a committee thereof, or before a hearing examiner,
7 upon the date fixed by resolution or at the time said hearing may be
8 adjourned to. If the hearing is before such a committee the same
9 shall, following the hearing, report its recommendation on the petition
10 to the legislative authority which may adopt or reject the
11 recommendation. If such hearing be held before such a committee it
12 shall not be necessary to hold a hearing on the petition before such
13 legislative authority. If the legislative authority determines to
14 grant said petition or any part thereof, such city or town shall be
15 authorized and have authority by ordinance to vacate such street, or
16 alley, or any part thereof, and the ordinance may provide that it shall
17 not become effective until the owners of property abutting upon the
18 street or alley, or part thereof so vacated, shall compensate such city
19 or town in an amount which does not exceed one-half the appraised value

1 of the area so vacated, except in the event the subject property or
2 portions thereof were acquired at public expense, compensation may be
3 required in an amount equal to the full appraised value of the
4 vacation: PROVIDED, That such ordinance may provide that the city
5 retain an easement or the right to exercise and grant easements in
6 respect to the vacated land for the construction, repair, and
7 maintenance of public utilities and services. A certified copy of such
8 ordinance shall be recorded by the clerk of the legislative authority
9 and in the office of the auditor of the county in which the vacated
10 land is located.

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