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By Senators Hewitt, McCaslin and Deccio

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1 AN ACT Relating to dissolving or deactivating joint housing
2 authorities; and amending RCW 35.82.300 and 35.82.320.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.82.300 and 2002 c 258 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 This section applies to all cities and counties.

7 (1) Joint housing authorities are hereby authorized when the
8 legislative authorities of one or more counties and the legislative
9 authorities of any city or cities within any of those counties or in
10 another county or counties have authorized such joint housing authority
11 by ordinance.

12 (2) The ordinances enacted by the legislative authorities creating
13 the joint housing authority shall prescribe the number of
14 commissioners, the method for their appointment and length of their
15 terms, the election of officers, and the method for removal of
16 commissioners.

17 (3) The ordinances enacted by the legislative authorities creating
18 the joint housing authority shall prescribe the allocation of all costs

1 of the joint housing authority and any other matters necessary for the
2 operation of the joint housing authority.

3 (4) A joint housing authority shall have all the powers as
4 prescribed by this chapter for any housing authority. The area of
5 operation of a joint housing authority shall be the combined areas,
6 defined by RCW 35.82.020(6), of the housing authorities created in each
7 city and county authorizing the joint housing authority.

8 (5) The provisions of RCW 35.82.040 and 35.82.060 shall not apply
9 to a joint housing authority created pursuant to this section.

10 (6) The ordinances enacted by the legislative authorities creating
11 the joint housing authority shall prescribe the procedure for
12 dissolution or deactivation of a joint housing authority and any other
13 matters necessary to effectuate the dissolution or deactivation of a
14 joint housing authority, including distribution of the assets,
15 liabilities, and obligations of a joint housing authority to the
16 original activating governing bodies for the limited purposes of
17 winding up the affairs of a deactivated joint housing authority or
18 transferring assets, obligations, or liabilities to the housing
19 authority of a city, town, or county.

20 **Sec. 2.** RCW 35.82.320 and 1987 c 275 s 1 are each amended to read
21 as follows:

22 A housing authority or joint housing authority created under this
23 chapter and activated by a resolution or ordinance by the governing
24 body of a city, town, or county may be deactivated by a resolution or
25 ordinance by ~~((the))~~ any city, town, or county that created the housing
26 authority or joint housing authority. The findings listed in RCW
27 35.82.030 to activate the housing authority or joint housing authority
28 shall be considered prior to deactivating the housing authority.
29 However, a city, town, or county is authorized to deactivate a joint
30 housing authority based on additional considerations of the local needs
31 of the city, town, or county. For the ~~((sole))~~ limited purposes of
32 winding up the affairs of a deactivated housing authority or
33 transferring the assets, liabilities, and obligations of a joint
34 housing authority to the housing authority of a city, town, or county,
35 the governing body of ~~((the))~~ a city, town, or county may exercise any

1 power granted to a housing authority under this chapter.

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