
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6221

State of Washington

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By Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin, Kline, Kastama, Keiser, Regala and Jacobsen)

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1 AN ACT Relating to use of public funds for political purposes; and
2 amending RCW 42.17.128.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.17.128 and 1993 c 2 s 24 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Public funds, whether derived through taxes, fees, penalties, or
7 any other sources, shall not be used to finance political campaigns for
8 state or local office; except that the legislative authority of a city
9 or county may establish, through adoption of an ordinance or
10 resolution, a program allowing the use of public funds to finance
11 campaigns for local office. The ordinance or resolution must be
12 submitted to, and approved by, a vote of the people at the next general
13 election in the form of a referendum for those local jurisdictions with
14 referendum power, or in the form of an advisory ballot for those local
15 jurisdictions without referendum power.

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