

Relocation assistance payments received by tenants under section 50 of this act shall not be considered as income or otherwise affect the eligibility for or amount of assistance paid under any government benefit program.

PART II SUBDIVISIONS

Sec. 51. Section 6, chapter 271, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 2, chapter 330, Laws of 1989 and RCW 58.17.060 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The legislative body of a city, town, or county shall adopt regulations and procedures, and appoint administrative personnel for the summary approval of short plats and short subdivisions or alteration or vacation thereof. When an alteration or vacation involves a public dedication, the alteration or vacation shall be processed as provided in RCW 58.17.212 or 58.17.215. Such regulations shall be adopted by ordinance and shall provide that a short plat and short subdivision may be approved only if written findings that are appropriate, as provided in RCW 58.17.110, are made by the administrative personnel, and may contain wholly different requirements than those governing the approval of preliminary and final plats of subdivisions and may require surveys and monumentations and shall require filing of a short plat, or alteration or vacation thereof, for record in the office of the county auditor: PROVIDED, That such regulations must contain a requirement that land in short subdivisions may not be further divided in any manner within a period of five years without the filing of a final plat, except that when the short plat contains fewer than four parcels, nothing in this section shall prevent the owner who filed the short plat from filing an alteration within the five-year period to create up to a total of four lots within the original short plat boundaries: PROVIDED FURTHER, That such regulations are not required to contain a penalty clause as provided in RCW 36.32.120 and may provide for wholly injunctive relief.

An ordinance requiring a survey shall require that the survey be completed and filed with the application for approval of the short subdivision.

(2) Cities, towns, and counties shall include in their short plat regulations and procedures pursuant to subsection (1) of this section provisions for considering sidewalks and other planning features that assure safe walking conditions for students who walk to and from school.

Sec. 52. Section 11, chapter 271, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 3, chapter 330, Laws of 1989 and RCW 58.17.110 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The city, town, or county legislative body shall inquire into the public use and interest proposed to be served by the establishment of the subdivision and dedication. It shall determine: (a) If appropriate provisions are made for, but not limited to, the public health, safety, and general welfare, for open spaces, drainage ways, streets or roads, alleys, other public

ways, transit stops, potable water supplies, sanitary wastes, parks and recreation, playgrounds, ((sites-for)) schools and schoolgrounds, and shall consider all other relevant facts, including sidewalks and other planning features that assure safe walking conditions for students who only walk to and from school((;and-determine)); and (b) whether the public interest will be served by the subdivision and dedication. ((If it finds that the proposed plat-makes))

(2) A proposed subdivision and dedication shall not be approved unless the city, town, or county legislative body makes written findings that: (a) Appropriate provisions are made for the public health, safety, and general welfare and for such open spaces, drainage ways, streets or roads, alleys, other public ways, transit stops, potable water supplies, sanitary wastes, parks and recreation, playgrounds, ((sites-for)) schools and schoolgrounds and all other relevant facts, including sidewalks and other planning features that assure safe walking conditions for students who only walk to and from school((;and-that)); and (b) the public use and interest will be served by the platting of such subdivision((; then it shall be approved)) and dedication. If it finds that the proposed ((plat does not)) subdivision and dedication make such appropriate provisions ((or)) and that the public use and interest will ((not)) be served, then the legislative body ((may disapprove)) shall approve the proposed ((plat)) subdivision and dedication. Dedication of land to any public body, provision of public improvements to serve the subdivision, and/or impact fees imposed under sections 43 through 48 of this act may be required as a condition of subdivision approval ((and)). Dedications shall be clearly shown on the final plat. No dedication, provision of public improvements, or impact fees imposed under sections 43 through 48 of this act shall be allowed that constitutes an unconstitutional taking of private property. The legislative body shall not as a condition to the approval of any ((plat)) subdivision require a release from damages to be procured from other property owners.

PART III

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 53. INTENT—TRANSPORTATION PLANNING. The legislature finds that while the transportation system in Washington is owned and operated by numerous public jurisdictions, it should function as one interconnected and coordinated system. Transportation planning, at all jurisdictional levels, should be coordinated with local comprehensive plans. Further, local jurisdictions and the state should cooperate to achieve both state-wide and local transportation goals. To facilitate this coordination and cooperation among state and local jurisdictions, the legislature declares it to be in the state's interest to establish a coordinated planning program for regional transportation systems and facilities throughout the state.