

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office:	Agenda date	Assigned to:
Originator: Nelson/Brenner				6/28/94	Council
Division Head:				7/12/94	Hearing
Dept. Head:					
Prosecutor:	DG	6/22/94			
Purchasing/Budget:					
Executive:					

SUBJECT:

Ordinance, Exempting Whatcom County from provisions of the State's Firearms Laws

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed Ordinance
 Subsection 4 of Chapter 7 of Washington Laws, 1994 (on file)

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Please complete sections of box as appropriate & explain the item below.

Related County contract #:	Should Clerk schedule a hearing? NO / / YES /XX/ Requested date:
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With the adoption of this ordinance the Whatcom County Council hereby exempts Whatcom County from the prohibitions outlined in Subsection 4 of Section 405 of Chapter 7 of the Washington Laws, 1994 First Special Session.

CLERK'S RECOMMENDED MOTION (for final action):

COMMITTEE ACTION TAKEN:

COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN:

6/28/94: Introduction

7/12/94: Council adopted the ordinance, 5-2, Henderson and Harris opposed

Related File Numbers:

Ordinance or Resolution Number (this item only): 94-038

ORDINANCE NO. 94-038

EXEMPTING WHATCOM COUNTY FROM PROVISIONS
OF THE STATE'S FIREARMS LAWS

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature enacted a law in its 1994 special session that revises Section 9.41.050 of the Revised Code of Washington; and

WHEREAS, that newly-enacted law is found in Chapter 7 Section 405 of the 1994 pamphlet of Washington Laws enacted in the 1st special session of the Fifty-Third Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Subsection 4 of Section 405 places restrictions on the transportation and use of firearms; and

WHEREAS, Subsection 6 allows any city, town or county to enact an ordinance to exempt itself from the prohibition of Subsection 4;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Whatcom County hereby exempts itself from the prohibitions outlined in Subsection 4 of Section 405 of Chapter 7 of the Washington Laws, 1994 First Special Session; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk will send a copy of this adopted ordinance to the Whatcom County Prosecutor, Whatcom County Public Defender, Whatcom County Sheriff, What-Comm 911, and the Washington State Patrol.

ADOPTED this 12th day of July, 1994.

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:

Marina McAllister, Acting Clerk
Ramona Reeves, Council Clerk

Robert Imhof
Robert Imhof, Chair

APPROVED as to form:

Approved () Vetoed

Daniel L. Gibson
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Shirley Van Zanten, Executive

Date: _____

CLERK'S NOTE: The County Executive has declined to sign Ordinance 94-038 for the reason cited in her note affixed at right. Whatcom County's Home Rule Charter Section 2.30, states: "If the Executive does not either sign or veto an ordinance within ten (10) days, Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays excepted, after presentation of the ordinance by the Council, it shall become law without the Executive's signature." This ordinance shall take effect as of July 22, 1994.

7-15-94
I decline to sign this ord.
I believe it is bad legislation.
The chairman of the Council is not empowered to make approval for me.
S. Van Zanten

Marina McAllister
Marina McAllister,
Acting Clerk of the
Council