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**Council Bill No. 101239**

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Seattle Criminal Code (Ordinance 102843) is amended by adding thereto a new Section 12A.08.290 to read as follows:

Section 12A.08.290 Unauthorized Manufacture, Duplication, Use or Possession of a Key Which Opens a Parking Meter. It is unlawful for any person to knowingly manufacture, duplicate, use or possess a key which opens a parking meter located within the limits of the City of Seattle, unless authorized to do so by the Director of Engineering or the City Treasurer.

(To be used for all Ordinances except Emergency.)

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 12 day of May, 1980,  
and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 12 day of  
May, 1980

*[Signature]*  
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 23 day of

May, 1980  
*[Signature]*  
Mayor.

Filed by me this 23 day of

May, 1980  
*[Signature]*

Attest: Grim Hill  
City Comptroller and City Clerk.

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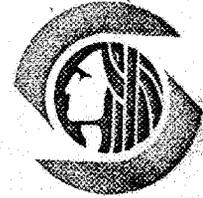
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Deputy Clerk.

Your City, Seattle

Executive Department-Office of Management and Budget

Casey Jones, Director  
Charles Royer, Mayor



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The Honorable Douglas Jewett  
City Attorney  
City of Seattle

Douglas N. Jewett  
CITY ATTORNEY

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Dear Mr. Jewett:

The Mayor is proposing to the City Council that the enclosed legislation be adopted.

*Oliver*  
*DS*

REQUESTING  
DEPARTMENT: Engineering

SUBJECT: Amendment to Seattle Criminal Code

Pursuant to the City Council's S.O.P. 100-014, the Executive Department is forwarding this request for legislation directly to your office for review and drafting.

After reviewing this request and drafting appropriate legislation:

- (X) File the legislation with the City Clerk for formal introduction to the City Council as an Executive Request.
- ( ) Do not file with the City Council but return the proposed legislation to OMB for our review. Return to \_\_\_\_\_.

Sincerely,

Charles Royer

By

*Casey Jones*

Casey Jones  
Budget Director

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Enclosure

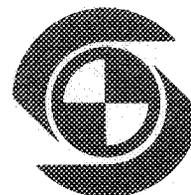
cc: Director of Engineering

*W.K.*  
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Seattle  
Engineering Department

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Paul A. Wiatrak, Director of Engineering  
Charles Royer, Mayor

March 3, 1980

Re: Amendment to Seattle  
Criminal Code

Mayor Charles Royer  
The City of Seattle  
Seattle, WA

Attention Casey Jones, Director  
Office of Management and Budget

Dear Sir:

We request adoption by the City Council of the attached legislation adding a new section to the Seattle Criminal Code making it unlawful to knowingly manufacture, duplicate, use or possess a key which opens a City parking meter unless authorized to do so by the Director of Engineering or the City Treasurer.

Due to thieves; the City has experienced considerable loss in parking meter revenues. In an attempt to eliminate this loss, the Engineering Department replaced the City's 8,500 parking meter coin door locks with a special magnetic lock at an expense of \$150,000. These locks are made only for parking meters and the combinations are reserved by the manufacturer for the City of Seattle. The last lock was changed in June, 1979. Since June several meter heads, including locks, have been stolen and the City is now experiencing thefts with homemade keys.

Passage of the attached legislation will amend the Seattle Criminal Code by adding a new section which makes it unlawful to knowingly manufacture, duplicate, use or possess a key which opens a City parking meter unless authorized to do so. Conviction of this offense would carry with it a fine of up to \$500 or up to six months in jail. It is hoped this will act as a deterrent to committing the act.

Mayor Royer

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March 3, 1980

This proposed ordinance also has the endorsement of both the City Treasurer and the Chief of Police.

Sincerely,



PAUL A. WIATRAK, P.E.  
Director of Engineering

LLOYD F. HARA  
City Treasurer

PATRICK S. FITZSIMONS  
Chief of Police

CLB:mm

Atts: Legislation, 100-014

cc: Mayor Royer

OMB

E.M. Whiting, SED

C.T. Murray, SED

L.F. Hara, City Treasurer

P.S. Fitzsimons, Chief of Police

I. TITLE

Amendment to the Seattle Criminal Code

II. OBJECTIVE

Add a new section to the Seattle Criminal Code making it unlawful to knowingly manufacture, duplicate, use or possess a key which opens a City parking meter.

III. FISCAL

No appropriation involved

IV. PERSONNEL

No new personnel required

V. EQUIPMENT

No new equipment required

VI. EVALUATION

Due to thieves, the City of Seattle has experienced considerable loss in parking meter revenues. In an attempt to eliminate this loss, the Engineering Department replaced the City's 8,500 parking meter coin door locks with special magnetic locks at an expense of \$150,000. These locks are made only for parking meters and the combinations are reserved by the manufacturer for the City of Seattle. The last lock was changed in June, 1979. Since June several meter heads, including locks, have been stolen and the City is now experiencing thefts with homemade keys. It is hoped that making the act of possessing, using, duplicating or manufacturing a parking meter key a criminal offense will act as a deterrent.

VII. ALTERNATIVES

The alternative is to do nothing and suffer the revenue loss.

# The City of Seattle--Legislative Department

MR. PRESIDENT:

Date Reported  
and Adopted

Your Committee on **PUB. SAFETY & JUSTICE**

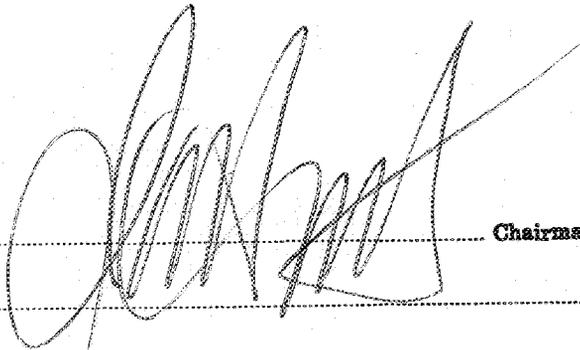
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# Affidavit of Publication

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Seattle Criminal Code (Ordinance 102943) is amended by adding thereto a new Section 12A.05.290 to read as follows:

Section 12A.05.290 UNLAWFUL MANUFACTURE, DUPLICATION, USE OR POSSESSION OF A KEY WHICH OPENS A PARKING METER. It is unlawful for any person to knowingly manufacture, duplicate, use or possess a key which opens a parking meter located within the limits of the City of Seattle, unless authorized to do so by the Director of Engineering or the City Treasurer.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 12th day of May, 1980 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 12th day of May, 1980.

PAUL KRAABEL,  
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 23rd day of May, 1980.

PAUL KRAABEL,  
Acting Mayor.

Filed by me this 23rd day of May, 1980.

Attest: TIM HILL,  
City Comptroller and  
City Clerk.

(Seal) By: G. C. GEISERT,  
Deputy Clerk.

Publication ordered by TIM HILL, Comptroller and City Clerk.

Date of official Publication in the Daily Journal of Commerce, Seattle, May 23, 1980. (C-323)

## STATE OF WASHINGTON KING COUNTY—SS.

The undersigned, on oath states that he is an authorized representative of The Daily Journal of Commerce, a daily newspaper, which newspaper is a legal newspaper of general circulation and it is now and has been for more than six months prior to the date of publication hereinafter referred to, published in the English language continuously as a daily newspaper in Seattle, King County, Washington, and it is now and during all of said time was printed in an office maintained at the aforesaid place of publication of this newspaper. The Daily Journal of Commerce was on the 12th day of June, 1941, approved as a legal newspaper by the Superior Court of King County.

The notice in the exact form annexed, was published in regular issues of The Daily Journal of Commerce, which was regularly distributed to its subscribers during the below stated period. The annexed notice, a

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was published on May 28, 1980

Subscribed and sworn to before me on

May 28, 1980.

Notary Public for the State of Washington,  
residing in Seattle.