

# City of Providence

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

## CHAPTER 1981-63

No. 706 **AN ORDINANCE** REQUIRING THAT FISCAL NOTES  
BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITH ALL  
ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

*Approved* December 11, 1981

~~Be it ordained by the City of Providence:~~

It is the intention of the City Council and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence and the Sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

SECTION 1. Fiscal notes - When Required. All Ordinances and Resolutions having an effect on the revenues, expenditures or fiscal liability of the City, excepting the Ordinance adopting the proposed city budget for any city fiscal year, including the appropriation, classification and compensation ordinances and any amendments thereto, and other appropriation measures carrying specific dollar amounts, shall be accompanied by an explanatory statement or note which sets forth the estimated dollar effect thereof. Such statements or notes shall be known as "fiscal notes," and they shall be inserted at the end of each such ordinance or resolution prior to consideration.

SECTION 2. Content of fiscal notes. Fiscal notes shall wherever possible, cite effect in dollar amounts for the current fiscal year and estimates for the next two (2) succeeding fiscal years. No comment or opinion relative to the merits of the bill shall be included, excepting however, that technical or mechanical defects may be noted.

SECTION 3. Requests for fiscal notes. Fiscal notes shall be requested only by the Chairperson of the City Council Finance Committee upon being notified by another committee chairperson, the sponsor of the Ordinance or Resolution, the Internal Auditor, or the Chairperson of the Providence Review Commission.

SECTION 4. Preparation of fiscal notes. Fiscal notes requests shall be made in such form and substance as may be required by the City Council Finance Committee Chairperson and shall be forwarded through the Internal Auditor to the Finance Director who shall determine the departments affected. The Finance Director shall then be responsible, in cooperation with such departments, for the preparation of the fiscal note.

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SECTION 5. Return of fiscal notes. Fiscal notes shall be returned by the Finance Director to the Internal Auditor within five (5) working days from the date the request by the Chairperson was made. The Internal Auditor shall note his approval as to the accuracy and reliability of the dollar estimates or append his comments or exception thereon. The Internal Auditor, within three (3) working days, shall forward the fiscal note to the Chairperson of the City Council Finance Committee, the Chairperson of the Committee considering the Ordinance or Resolution, the sponsor of the Ordinance or Resolution, and the Chairperson of the Providence Review Commission or his designee.

SECTION 6. No Ordinance or Resolution requiring the fiscal note shall be acted upon by the full City Council unless a fiscal note is appended thereto or unless the Finance Committee shall have appended thereto a description of its efforts to obtain such a fiscal note and/or the reasons for the absence thereof.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its Passage.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
NOV 19 1981  
FIRST READING-  
READ AND PASSED

Rose M. Mendonca CLERK

IN CITY  
COUNCIL

DEC 3 1981  
FINAL READING  
READ AND PASSED

Louis R. Stravato  
PRESIDENT  
Rose M. Mendonca  
CLERK

APPROVED  
Vincent A. Cianci  
MAYOR

DEC 11 1981

THE COMMITTEE ON  
FINANCE

Approves Passage of  
The Within Ordinance

Robert M. Newkome  
Clerk Chairman  
November 12, 1981

COMMITTEE  
IN CITY

TO BE AND PASSED  
FINAL READING

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