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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 23 of Ordinance 16046 be amended to read as follows:

Section 23. It is unlawful for anyone to engage in gambling, bunco or swindling games or to operate, or possess any, device for swindling or defrauding others, or to engage in the telling of fortunes, the reading of palms, or the casting of horoscopes for compensation, gratuity or reward.

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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 13 day of November, 1961
and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 13 day of November, 1961.
[Signature]

President _____ of the City Council.

Approved by me this 14 day of November, 1961.
[Signature]
Mayor.

Filed by me this 14 day of November, 1961.

Attest: *[Signature]*
City Comptroller and City Clerk.

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November 1, 1961

Re: C. F. 243463.

License Committee
City Council
Seattle

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request of October 3, 1961, we have amended Section 23 of Ordinance 16046 to prohibit the "telling of fortunes, the reading of palms or the casting of horoscopes" for compensation, gratuity or reward. The ordinance, as prepared, does not expressly prohibit the practice of "clairvoyance", which is defined in Webster's New International Dictionary, 2nd Edition, as being "the act or power of discerning objects not present to the senses but regarded as having objective reality" to avoid the question of a possible conflict with "clairvoyance" so defined which is said to be a part of the teaching and ritual of certain spiritualist churches, and such an express prohibition is seemingly not necessary to accomplish the Mayor's stated objectives in his request for such legislation in C. F. 243463 which is herewith returned.

Yours very truly,

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The City of Seattle--Legislative Department

MR. PRESIDENT:

Date Reported
and Adopted

Your Committee on License
to which was referred C.B. 82185,

NOV 13 1961

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making it unlawful to tell fortunes, read palms or cast horoscopes
for compensation, gratuity or reward,

RECOMMENDS THAT THE SAME DO PASS.

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DAVID LEVINE,
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 14th day of November, 1961.

GORDON S. CLINTON,
Mayor.

Filed by me this 14th day of November, 1961.

Attest: C. G. ERLANDSON,
City Comptroller and
City Clerk.

(Seal) By W. A. PERINE,
Deputy Clerk.

Date of official publication in the Daily Journal of Commerce, Seattle, November 25, 1961.
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M E Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

25th day of November 1961

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