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By Committee on Local Government

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 2 following:

- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) By December 1, 2004, the department of community, trade, and economic development shall provide to the house of representatives local government committee and the senate committee on land use and planning a report regarding the designation pursuant to RCW 36.70A.170(1)(a) of agricultural lands with long-term commercial significance in King, Chelan, Lewis, and Yakima counties.
 - (2) The report shall address:
- 11 (a) The amount of land designated as agricultural lands with long-term commercial significance;
 - (b) The amount of land in agricultural production;
 - (c) Changes in the amount of agricultural land since 1990;
 - (d) Comparison with amounts of land in other uses;
 - (e) Designation standards and procedures;
 - (f) Effect of designation on tax revenue;
 - (g) Contribution of agriculture to the local economy;
 - (h) Threats to maintaining the agricultural land base;
- 20 (i) Measures local governments should adopt to better maintain 21 the agricultural land base and sustain and enhance the agricultural 22 industry; and
- 23 (j) Any other type of information that will help the committees 24 to evaluate the implementation and effect of designation."

EFFECT: Requires the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development to provide a report regarding the designation of agricultural lands with long-term commercial significance in King, Chelan, Lewis, and Yakima counties to the House of Representatives Local Government Committee and the Senate Committee on Land Use and Planning by December 1, 2004. Specifies report criteria.