
HOUSE BILL 2719

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By Representatives Dunshee and DeBolt

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating the facilities review council; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 43.88 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.88 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The facilities review council is hereby created as an advisory
7 group to the legislature to review facilities leasing proposals and
8 policy recommendations that will contribute to the overall fiscal
9 stability of the operating and capital budgets.

10 (2) The council shall consist of one individual appointed by the
11 governor, and four individuals, each of whom are appointed by the
12 chairperson of the two largest political caucuses in the senate and
13 house of representatives. The chair of the council shall be selected
14 from among the four caucus appointees. The council may select such
15 other officers as the members deem necessary. The office of financial
16 management shall provide the staff and resources necessary for
17 implementing this section. The council shall meet at least every
18 ninety days. The members of the council shall be reimbursed as
19 provided in RCW 43.03.220 and 44.04.120.

1 (3) The council shall review six-year plans recommended by the
2 office of financial management annually. The review shall include:
3 (a) Major lease renewals or new major lease proposals over fifty
4 thousand square feet; (b) vacancy rates in state-owned and leased
5 facilities; and (c) leasing rates for state-owned facilities and
6 privately owned facilities.

7 (4) Each review of a major lease proposal or new major lease
8 proposal shall include at a minimum a seventy-five year life-cycle cost
9 analysis, the LEED designation, any high performance building measures,
10 location proximity to public transit and local amenities, colocation
11 and collaborative efforts, square feet per person, and ratio of offices
12 to cubicles.

13 (5) The council shall make recommendations to the legislature
14 including: (a) Priorities for present and future office leasing or
15 building needs; (b) appropriations for leasing or building needed
16 space; (c) any statutory changes necessary to ensure effective space
17 planning; and (d) new design criteria, standards, and procedures in the
18 planning and construction of new or remodeled leased buildings.

19 (6) This section does not apply to the acquisition of real estate
20 by: (a) The state college and universities for research or
21 experimental purposes; (b) the department of natural resources, the
22 department of fish and wildlife, the department of transportation, and
23 the state parks and recreation commission for purposes other than the
24 leasing of offices, warehouses, and real estate for similar purposes;
25 and (c) the department of commerce for community college health career
26 training programs, offices for the department of commerce or other
27 appropriate state agencies, and other nonprofit community uses,
28 including community meeting and training facilities, where the real
29 estate is acquired during the 2013-2015 fiscal biennium.

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