
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 5876

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By Senators Haugen and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to population determinations and projections by the
2 office of financial management; amending RCW 43.62.035; and declaring
3 an emergency.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.62.035 and 1991 sp.s. c 32 s 30 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 The office of financial management shall determine the population
8 of each county of the state annually as of April 1st of each year and
9 on or before July 1st of each year shall file a certificate with the
10 secretary of state showing its determination of the population for each
11 county. The office of financial management also shall determine the
12 percentage increase in population for each county over the preceding
13 ten-year period, as of April 1st, and shall file a certificate with the
14 secretary of state by July 1st showing its determination. At least
15 once every ten years the office of financial management shall prepare
16 twenty-year growth management planning population projections required
17 by RCW 36.70A.110 for each county that adopts a comprehensive plan
18 under RCW 36.70A.040 and shall review these projections with such
19 counties and the cities in those counties before final adoption. The

1 county and its cities may provide to the office such information as
2 they deem relevant to the office's projection, and the office shall
3 consider and comment on such information before adoption. Each
4 projection shall be expressed as a reasonable range developed within
5 the standard state high and low projection. The middle range shall
6 represent the office's estimate of the most likely population
7 projection for the county. If any city or county believes that a
8 projection will not accurately reflect actual population growth in a
9 county, it may petition the office to revise the projection
10 accordingly. The office shall complete the first set of ranges for
11 every county by December 31, 1995.

12 A comprehensive plan adopted or amended before December 31, 1995,
13 shall not be considered to be in noncompliance with the twenty-year
14 growth management planning population projection if the projection used
15 in the comprehensive plan is in compliance with the range later adopted
16 under this section.

17 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate
18 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
19 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
20 effect immediately.

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