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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:

7 "Sec. 1. RCW 47.80.023 and 1994 c 158 s 2 are each amended to read 8 as follows:

9 Each regional transportation planning organization shall have the 10 following duties:

(1) Prepare and periodically update a transportation strategy for the region. The strategy shall address alternative transportation modes and transportation demand management measures in regional corridors and shall recommend preferred transportation policies to implement adopted growth strategies. The strategy shall serve as a guide in preparation of the regional transportation plan.

(2) Prepare a regional transportation plan as set forth in RCW
47.80.030 that is consistent with county-wide planning policies if such
have been adopted pursuant to chapter 36.70A RCW, with county, city,
and town comprehensive plans, and state transportation plans.

(3) Certify by December 31, 1996, that the transportation elements of comprehensive plans adopted by counties, cities, and towns within the region reflect the guidelines and principles developed pursuant to RCW 47.80.026, are consistent with the adopted regional transportation plan, and, where appropriate, conform with the requirements of RCW 36.70A.070.

(4) Where appropriate, certify that county-wide planning policies
 adopted under RCW 36.70A.210 and the adopted regional transportation
 plan are consistent.

30 (5) Develop, in cooperation with the department of transportation, 31 operators of public transportation services and local governments 32 within the region, a six-year regional transportation improvement 33 program which proposes regionally significant transportation projects 34 and programs and transportation demand management measures. The 35 regional transportation improvement program shall be based on the 36 programs, projects, and transportation demand management measures of

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regional significance as identified by transit agencies, cities, and 1 counties pursuant to RCW 35.58.2795, 35.77.010, and 36.81.121, 2 The program shall include a priority list of projects 3 respectively. 4 and programs, project segments and programs, transportation demand 5 management measures, and a specific financial plan that demonstrates how the transportation improvement program can be funded. The program 6 7 shall be updated at least every two years for the ensuing six-year 8 period. Regional transportation planning organizations shall provide 9 to the legislators whose districts are within the boundaries of the 10 organization a schedule of six-year transportation improvement program decision process points, updates, and amendments to the six-year 11 transportation improvement program. 12

13 (6) Designate a lead planning agency to coordinate preparation of 14 regional transportation plan the and carry out the other 15 responsibilities of the organization. The lead planning agency may be a regional organization, a component county, city, or town agency, or 16 17 the appropriate Washington state department of transportation district office. 18

19 **Sec. 2.** RCW 47.80.040 and 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 s 56 are each 20 amended to read as follows:

Each regional transportation planning organization shall create a 21 22 transportation policy board. Transportation policy boards shall 23 provide policy advice to the regional transportation planning 24 organization and shall allow representatives of major employers within 25 the region, the department of transportation, transit districts, port 26 districts, and member cities, towns, and counties within the region to Any members of the house of 27 participate in policy making. representatives or the state senate whose districts are within the 28 29 boundaries of the regional transportation planning organization are considered ex officio, nonvoting policy board members of the regional 30 transportation planning organization. 31

32 **Sec. 3.** RCW 47.80.070 and 1994 c 158 s 5 are each amended to read 33 as follows:

In order to ensure state-wide consistency in the regional transportation planning process, the state department of transportation, in conformance with chapter 34.05 RCW, shall:

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1 (1) In cooperation with regional transportation planning 2 organizations, establish minimum standards for development of a 3 regional transportation plan;

4 (2) Facilitate coordination between regional transportation 5 planning organizations; and

6 (3) Through the regional transportation planning process, and 7 through state planning efforts as required by RCW 47.01.071, identify 8 and jointly plan ((improvements and strategies)) the most efficient 9 strategy to address identified deficiencies, including investments in 10 modal integration within those corridors important to moving people and 11 goods on a regional ((or)) and state-wide basis."

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In line 1 of the title, after "planning;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 47.80.023, 47.80.040, and 47.80.070."

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