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## HOUSE BILL 1947

By Representatives D. Schmidt, Thompson, Huff, Hatfield, Wensman and

55th Legislature

1997 Regular Session

Read first time 02/14/97. Referred to Committee on Trade & Economic Development.

- AN ACT Relating to studying the feasibility of hosting the 2004 or
- 2 2008 summer Olympic Games; creating a new section; and making an
- 3 appropriation.

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** Hosting a variety of world-class expositions
- 6 and sporting events has substantially contributed to the growth and
- 7 economic vitality of the state, including the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific
- 8 Exhibition held in Seattle in 1909, Century 21 Exposition held in
- 9 Seattle in 1962, Expo-74 held in Spokane in 1974, and the Goodwill
- 10 Games held in the greater Puget Sound area in 1990.
- 11 It is the intent of the legislature that the feasibility of hosting
- 12 the 2004 or 2008 summer Olympic Games be studied and to receive public
- 13 input on the proposal.
- 14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** Thirty-five thousand dollars, or as much
- 15 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium ending
- 16 June 30, 1999, from the general fund to the department of community,
- 17 trade, and economic development to contract with a nonprofit
- 18 corporation to study the feasibility of hosting the 2004 or 2008 summer

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- 1 Olympic Games, receive public input on this proposal by holding
- 2 community meetings on this proposal throughout the state, and present
- 3 its findings to the legislature on or before January 10, 1998.

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