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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Trade & Economic Development (originally sponsored by Representatives Pennington, Sheldon and Ogden)

Brief Title: Expediting projects of state-wide significance.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Declares that certain industrial investments merit special designation and treatment by governmental bodies when they are proposed. Such investments bolster the economies of their locale and impact the economy of the state as a whole. It is the intention of the legislature to recognize industrial investments and projects of state-wide significance and to encourage local governments and state agencies to expedite their completion.

Designates criteria for qualification as a project of statewide significance.

Requires the director to assign an ombudsman to each project of state-wide significance. The ombudsman is responsible for assembling a team of state and local government and private officials to help meet the planning and development needs of the specific project of state-wide significance.