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Sponsor(s): Senator T. Sheldon

Brief Description: Changing provisions relating to the permit assistance center.

SB 5281 - DIGEST

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Declares that a permit assistance center is needed in this state to: (1) Provide a reliable and consolidated source of information concerning federal, state, tribal, and local environmental and land use laws and procedures that apply to any given proposal;

(2) provide information and assistance to individuals, businesses, and public agencies regarding environmental and land use laws as well as local, state, and federal permitting requirements;

(3) upon request, serve as a project facilitator to assist an applicant in identifying regulatory requirements, processes, and permits associated with a project proposal;

(4) upon request, assist an applicant by developing a coordinated permit process for a project proposal; and

(5) assist the state to achieve its rural economic development goals by providing greater access to the center's services for individuals, businesses, and public agencies in rural counties and for businesses considering locating or expanding in rural counties.

Repeals RCW 43.131.387 and 43.131.388.