HOUSE BILL 2815

Sta	ate of Washington	64th Legislature	2016	Regular	Session
Ву	Representatives Hayes,	Smith, Lytton, and Morr	is		
Rea	ad first time $01/21/16$	Referred to Committee	on Tr	ansporta	tion.

1 AN ACT Relating to modifying the eligibility requirements for 2 certain counties with ferry terminals to form a regional 3 transportation planning organization; amending RCW 47.80.020; and 4 providing an effective date.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.80.020 and 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 s 54 are each 7 amended to read as follows:

8 The legislature hereby authorizes creation of regional 9 transportation planning organizations within the state. Each regional 10 transportation planning organization shall be formed through the 11 voluntary association of local governments within a county, or within 12 geographically contiguous counties. Each organization shall:

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(1) Encompass at least one complete county;

14 (2) Have a population of at least one hundred thousand, <u>have a</u>
15 population of at least seventy-five thousand and contain a Washington
16 <u>state ferries terminal</u>, or contain a minimum of three counties; and

17 (3) Have as members all counties within the region, and at least 18 sixty percent of the cities and towns within the region representing 19 a minimum of seventy-five percent of the cities' and towns' 20 population. 1 The state department of transportation must verify that each 2 regional transportation planning organization conforms with the 3 requirements of this section.

4 In urbanized areas, the regional transportation planning 5 organization is the same as the metropolitan planning organization 6 designated for federal transportation planning purposes.

7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2016.

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