
SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6236

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By Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Chase, Hasegawa, and Palumbo)

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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing the Washington state economic
2 growth commission; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; and creating
3 a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) Subject to the availability of amounts
6 appropriated for this specific purpose, the Washington state economic
7 growth commission is established to:

8 (a) Develop a state economic growth strategy related to
9 accelerating technology innovation to increase the number of high-
10 paying jobs in the state's economy; and

11 (b) Establish the feasibility and devise a plan for establishing
12 a manufacturing innovation institute.

13 (2)(a) The Washington state economic growth commission shall
14 consist of sixteen voting members appointed by the governor as
15 follows: One representative from the department of commerce, four
16 representatives from academia, three representatives from private
17 industry or trade associations, three representatives from a labor
18 organization, one senior economist with expertise in manufacturing
19 and technology, one representative from Impact Washington, two
20 representatives from the workforce training and education

1 coordinating board, and one representative from the state board for
2 community and technical colleges.

3 (b) The chair of the commission is a voting member selected by
4 the governor, and serves at the pleasure of the governor.

5 (3) The commission may adopt rules for its own governance and
6 hire staff as needed to perform functions under this chapter.

7 (4) The commission may establish committees as it desires, and
8 may invite people who are not members of the commission to serve as
9 committee members.

10 (5) The commission may meet as often as it deems appropriate, but
11 not more than six times per year.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Section 1 of this act constitutes a new
13 chapter in Title 43 RCW.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The department of commerce may contract
15 with the state's manufacturing extension partnership for the purposes
16 of this act.

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