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**SENATE BILL 5778**

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**By** Senators Billig, Saldaña, Hobbs, McCoy, Keiser, and Nguyen

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1            AN ACT Relating to restricting the availability of state funds to  
2 regional transportation planning organizations that do not provide a  
3 reasonable opportunity for voting membership to certain federally  
4 recognized tribes; amending RCW 47.80.050; and providing an effective  
5 date.

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

7            **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.80.050 and 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 s 57 are each  
8 amended to read as follows:

9            (1) Biennial appropriations to the department of transportation  
10 to carry out the regional transportation planning program shall set  
11 forth the amounts to be allocated as follows:

12            ~~((1))~~ (a) A base amount per county for each county within each  
13 regional transportation planning organization, to be distributed to  
14 the lead planning agency;

15            ~~((2))~~ (b) An amount to be distributed to each lead planning  
16 agency on a per capita basis; and

17            ~~((3))~~ (c) An amount to be administered by the department of  
18 transportation as a discretionary grant program for special regional  
19 planning projects, including grants to allow counties which have  
20 significant transportation interests in common with an adjoining  
21 region to also participate in that region's planning efforts.

1       (2) In order for a regional transportation planning organization  
2 to be eligible to receive state funds that are appropriated for  
3 regional transportation planning organizations, a regional  
4 transportation planning organization must provide a reasonable  
5 opportunity for voting membership to federally recognized tribes that  
6 hold reservation or trust lands within the planning area of the  
7 regional transportation planning organization.

8       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 2.**   This act takes effect August 1, 2019.

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