<u>SHB 2391</u> - H AMD 1077 By Representative Leavitt

1 On page 2, after line 22, insert the following: 2 "(4)(a) At least once a year, the county must publish in a 3 newspaper of general circulation and provide the office of minority 4 and women's business enterprises and office of equity notice of the 5 county's likely need for ferry maintenance for the upcoming year and 6 solicit interested cont<u>ractors for a maintenance roster. Before</u> 7 entering into any contracts with state money for maintenance, ⁸ including an indefinite-quantity contract, the county must notify 9 small, minority, women, or veteran-owned businesses on the applicable 10 roster when a maintenance contract will be let and allow the notified 11 businesses an opportunity to demonstrate their qualifications for the 12 contract. The county must review a proposed contract, including the 13 county's process for evaluating potential contractors and the county's 14 basis for choosing a contractor, with the office of minority and 15 women's business enterprises and office of equity before entering into 16 the contract. 17 (b) At least once every three years, the county must provide the 18 office of minority and women's business enterprises and office of 19 equity with information detailing the percentage of ferry maintenance 20 contracts that have been entered into with small, minority, women, or 21 veteran-owned businesses on the maintenance roster.

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(c) For the purposes of this subsection (4):

(i) "Small business" has the same meaning as the definition of "small business concern" adopted by the office of minority and women's business enterprises pursuant to RCW 39.19.030.

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1 (ii) "Minority-owned business" and "women-owned business" means
2 businesses so certified by the office of minority and women's business
3 enterprises under chapter 39.19 RCW.

4 (iii) Veteran-owned business" has the same meaning as in RCW
5 43.60A.010.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 39.19 RCW
8 to read as follows:

9 By July 1, 2027, and every three years thereafter, the office must 10 submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature on 11 the percentage of ferry maintenance contracts under section 1 of this 12 act being let to small, minority, women, or veteran-owned businesses 13 using the information received from counties pursuant to subsection 14 (4) of section 1 of this act."

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16 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any 17 internal references accordingly.

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19 Correct the title.

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EFFECT:

- Requires counties using ferry maintenance contracts to annually provide to the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises and Office of Equity and publish in a general circulation newspaper a notice of the county's likely need for ferry maintenance for the upcoming year and solicit interested contractors for a maintenance roster.
- Requires the county to provide notice to small, minority, women, or veteran-owned businesses on the roster before letting a maintenance contract and to allow the businesses an opportunity to demonstrate their qualifications.
- Requires the county to review a proposed contract, including the county's process for evaluating and choosing contractors, with the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises and Office of Equity before entering into the contract.
- Requires the county to provide the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises and Office of Equity information every three years about the percentage of ferry maintenance contracts that have been let to small, minority, women, or

veteran-owned businesses, and requires the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises to provide a report by July 1, 2027, and every three years thereafter, on the information received from the counties.

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