

FINAL BILL REPORT

EHB 1014

PARTIAL VETO

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Correcting obsolete references to the department of community development and the department of trade and economic development.

Sponsors: Representatives Padden, Dellwo, Costa, Appelwick and Silver; by request of Statute Law Committee.

House Committee on Law & Justice

Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Trade

Background: Sometimes legislation is enacted that changes the name of an agency or makes other similar changes. Often the bill that makes such changes does not include every one of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) sections that refers to the agency or subject being affected.

For instance, the Legislature recently merged two departments of state government. What were previously the departments of "Community Development" and "Trade and Economic Development" are now a single "Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development." The bill that made this change contained many sections that deal with the direct makeup, authority, and responsibilities of the agencies. However, there are dozens of other RCW sections scattered throughout the code that contain references to the prior departments. As a result, there are currently many statutes that incorrectly still refer to the "Department of Trade and Economic Development" or the "Department of Community Development."

Other obsolete references also remain in the code.

One of the duties of the Code Reviser's Office is to recommend to the Legislature bills to clean up the RCW by removing or changing obsolete references.

Summary: Various obsolete references in the Revised Code of Washington are removed or corrected.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	93	0
Senate	40	0

Effective: July 23, 1995

Partial Veto Summary: The veto removes sections of the bill that were amended by other bills also passed in the 1995 session.