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Finds that currently the overwhelming majority of companies assisted by the department of community, trade, and economic development in export sales are located in the Puget Sound or Spokane regions and that there is a need for better outreach to all areas of the state in order to help new-to-export companies compete in the global marketplace.

Finds that there exists a need to locate more overseas offices in regions of strategic importance to the state.