

HB 1562-S3 - DIGEST

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/14/18)

Establishes the Washington food policy forum, as a public-private partnership, and requires the forum to: (1) Increase the direct marketing sales of local farm products;

(2) Reduce food insecurity in the state;

(3) Identify opportunities to improve coordination between local food policy councils and state and federal agencies; and

(4) Identify rules and regulations impeding the viability of small acreage agriculture.

Gives responsibility to the directors of the state conservation commission and the department of agriculture for appointing participating members of the forum.

Expires July 1, 2020.

Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.