

SSB 5318 - S AMD 148  
By Senator Rivers

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1 On page 21, after line 12, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** (1)(a) A legislative work group on  
3 cannabis enforcement and training processes and procedures is  
4 established, with members as provided in this subsection.

5 (i) The president of the senate shall appoint one member from  
6 each of the two largest caucuses of the senate.

7 (ii) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint  
8 one member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of  
9 representatives.

10 (iii) The president of the senate and the speaker of the house of  
11 representatives jointly shall appoint members representing one  
12 representative from each of the trade associations representing  
13 licensed cannabis businesses and one representative of a labor union  
14 representing employees who are enforcement officers for the liquor  
15 and cannabis board.

16 (iv) The governor shall appoint one member representing the  
17 governor.

18 (v) The chair of the liquor and cannabis board shall appoint one  
19 member representing the board.

20 (b) The work group shall choose its cochairs from among its  
21 legislative membership. A legislator shall convene the initial  
22 meeting of the work group.

23 (2) The work group shall review the following issues:

24 (a) The use of anonymous complaints to initiate enforcement  
25 actions;

26 (b) The uniform qualifications and experience that should be  
27 established for enforcement officers;

28 (c) The training and guidelines given to enforcement officers;

29 (d) Whether the board should create an ombuds position where  
30 license holders may register concerns about the board's procedures,  
31 actions, or employees, without threat of retaliation; and

1 (e) Other such issues as identified by the cochairs of the work  
2 group.

3 (3) Staff support for the work group must be provided by the  
4 senate committee services and the house of representatives office of  
5 program research.

6 (4) Legislative members of the work group are reimbursed for  
7 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative  
8 members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they  
9 are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer,  
10 governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for  
11 other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

12 (5) The expenses of the work group must be paid jointly by the  
13 senate and the house of representatives. Work group expenditures are  
14 subject to approval by the senate facilities and operations committee  
15 and the house of representatives executive rules committee, or their  
16 successor committees.

17 (6) The work group shall report its findings and recommendations  
18 to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 15,  
19 2019.

20 (7) This section expires December 31, 2019."

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21 On page 1, beginning on line 4 of the title, after "69.50 RCW;"  
22 strike "and creating a new section" and insert "creating new  
23 sections; and providing an expiration date"

EFFECT: Creates a legislative work group on cannabis enforcement  
and training processes and procedures.

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