CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5490**

Chapter 284, Laws of 2022

(partial veto)

67th Legislature

2022 Regular Session

INTERBRANCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 9, 2022

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| Passed by the Senate January 26, 2022Yeas 47 Nays 0DENNY HECK**President of the Senate**Passed by the House March 1, 2022Yeas 58 Nays 40LAURIE JINKINS**Speaker of the House of Representatives** | CERTIFICATEI, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5490** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.SARAH BANNISTERSecretary |
| Approved March 31, 2022 4:51 PM with the exception of section 3, which is vetoed. | April 1, 2022 |
| JAY INSLEE**Governor of the State of Washington** | **Secretary of State** **State of Washington** |

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**State of Washington 67th Legislature 2022 Regular Session**

**By** Senate Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Pedersen, Padden, Dhingra, and Mullet)

AN ACT Relating to creating the interbranch advisory committee; adding a new chapter to Title 2 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  There is created an interbranch advisory committee consisting of the following members:

(1) Two legislative members, one from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. One member shall be a member of a committee having jurisdiction over general civil or criminal law matters and the other member shall be a member of a committee having jurisdiction over the state operating budget;

(2) Two legislative members, one from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate. One member shall be a member of a committee having jurisdiction over general civil or criminal law matters and the other member shall be a member of a committee having jurisdiction over the state operating budget;

(3) One person representing the governor's office, appointed by the governor;

(4) One person representing the attorney general's office, appointed by the attorney general;

(5) One person representing cities, appointed by the association of Washington cities;

(6) One person who is an elected county councilmember representing counties, appointed by the Washington state association of counties;

(7) One person representing court clerks, appointed by the Washington state association of county clerks;

(8) Eight members from the judicial branch, appointed by the chief justice in consultation with the board of judicial administration, supreme court, court of appeals, superior court judges association, association of Washington superior court administrators, Washington association of juvenile court administrators, district and municipal court judges association, district and municipal court management association, administrative office of the courts, and access to justice board; and

(9) One person representing the office of public defense and one person representing the office of civil legal aid, who shall serve as nonvoting members. Nonvoting members must be consulted by the interbranch advisory committee as needed.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  The purpose of the interbranch advisory committee is to foster cooperation, communication, coordination, collaboration, and planning regarding issues of mutual concern among the three branches of state government. An additional purpose of the committee is to suggest ways to provide access to justice and to court services in a just and equitable manner.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  (1) The interbranch advisory committee must select cochairs at its initial meeting. One cochair must be a legislative member and the other cochair must be a judicial member. The committee may set its own meeting schedule. The committee shall discuss issues of mutual concern between the branches. Examples include, but are not limited to:

(a) Funding legislative mandates;

(b) Initiatives related to access to justice;

(c) Issues of local concern;

(d) Courthouse security; and

(e) Court technology infrastructure.

(2) Staff support for the committee will be provided by the administrative office of the courts. The office of financial management is directed to provide support as requested by the cochairs.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  The interbranch advisory committee shall submit a recommendation to the legislative committees having jurisdiction over general civil or criminal law matters and having jurisdiction over the state operating budget by November 1, 2024, on whether the committee should be legislatively renewed or changed in any way.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  This chapter expires January 1, 2026.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  Sections 1 through 5 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 2 RCW.

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Passed by the Senate January 26, 2022.

Passed by the House March 1, 2022.

Approved by the Governor March 31, 2022, with the exception of certain items that were vetoed.

Filed in Office of Secretary of State April 1, 2022.

Note: Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Section 3, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5490 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to creating the interbranch advisory committee."

Section 3 of this bill directs the Office of Financial Management to provide staff support to the committee at the request of the co-chairs. The co-chairs of the committee are representatives of the legislative and judicial branches. OFM would be doing work under the direction of the other branches of government, rather than by the agency director, which is inappropriate. However, OFM staff will assist this effort in any way that they can, as directed by my office or the director of OFM.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 3 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5490.

With the exception of Section 3, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5490 is approved."