
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2044

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By House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representative Cooper).

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1 AN ACT Relating to the membership of the transportation improvement
2 board; amending RCW 47.26.121; providing an effective date; and
3 declaring an emergency.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.26.121 and 1990 c 266 s 4 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) There is hereby created a transportation improvement board of
8 ~~((fifteen))~~ seventeen members, six of whom shall be county members and
9 six of whom shall be city members. The remaining members shall be:

10 (a) The assistant secretary of the department of transportation whose
11 primary responsibilities relate to planning and public transportation;

12 (b) the assistant secretary for highways of the department of
13 transportation; ~~((and))~~ (c) the ~~((state aid engineer))~~ assistant

14 secretary for local programs of the department of transportation; (d)

1 a representative of a public transit system; and (e) a private sector
2 representative.

3 (2) Of the county members of the board, one member shall be a
4 county engineer from a county of the first class or larger; one member
5 shall be a county engineer from a county of the second class or
6 smaller; one member shall be the executive director of the county road
7 administration board, created by RCW 36.78.060; two members shall be
8 county executives, council members, or commissioners from counties of
9 the first class or larger; one member shall be a county executive,
10 council member, or commissioner from a county of the second class or
11 smaller. All county members of the board, except the executive
12 director of the county road administration board, shall be appointed.
13 Not more than one county member of the board shall be from any one
14 county. For the purposes of this subsection, the term "county
15 engineer" (~~shall~~) means the director of public works in any county in
16 which such a position exists.

17 (3) Of the city members of the board two shall be chief city
18 engineers, public works directors, or other city employees with
19 responsibility for public works activities, of cities over twenty
20 thousand population; one shall be a chief city engineer, public works
21 director, or other city employee with responsibility for public works
22 activities, of a city of less than twenty thousand population; two
23 shall be mayors, commissioners, or city council members of cities of
24 more than twenty thousand population; and one shall be a mayor,
25 commissioner, or council member of a city of less than twenty thousand
26 population. All of the city members shall be appointed. Not more than
27 one city member of the board shall be from any one city.

28 (4) The transit member shall be a general manager, executive
29 director, or transit director of a city-owned transit system, county

1 transportation authority, metropolitan municipal corporation, or public
2 transportation benefit area.

3 (5) The private sector member shall be a citizen with business,
4 management, and transportation related experience and shall be active
5 in a business community-based transportation organization.

6 (6) Appointments of county ((and)), city, transit, and private
7 sector representatives shall be made by the secretary of the department
8 of transportation, with ((initial)) appointments to be made by July 1,
9 ((1988)) 1991. Appointees shall be chosen from a list of two persons
10 for each position nominated by the Washington state association of
11 counties for county members ((and)), the association of Washington
12 cities for city members, and the Washington state transit association
13 for the transit member. ((Except as provided in subsection (5) of this
14 section, terms of appointment are four years.)) In the case of a
15 vacancy, the appointment shall be only for the remainder of the
16 unexpired term in which the vacancy has occurred. A vacancy shall be
17 deemed to have occurred on the board when any member elected to public
18 office completes that term of office or is removed therefrom for any
19 reason or when any member employed by a political subdivision
20 terminates such employment for whatsoever reason.

21 ((5) The initial appointment to the board for three county
22 representatives and three city representatives shall be for terms of
23 two years and the remainder of the)) (7) Appointments shall be for
24 terms of four years. Terms of all appointed members shall expire on
25 June 30th of even-numbered years.

26 ((6)) (8) The board shall elect a chair from among its members
27 for a two-year term.

28 ((7)) (9) Expenses of the board, including administration of the
29 transportation improvement program, shall be paid from the urban
30 arterial account.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
3 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
4 effect July 1, 1991.