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House of Representatives**

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President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1808** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Trade, Economic Development & Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Shin, Mastin, Forner, Wineberry, Rayburn, Jones, Cothorn, J. Kohl, Wang, Van Luven, Chandler and Linville)

Read first time 03/03/93.

1 AN ACT Relating to international trade; adding a new section to
2 chapter 44.52 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an expiration
3 date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the expansion of
6 international trade is vital to the economy of Washington state.
7 International trade-related activities currently account for
8 approximately twenty percent of employment in this state even though
9 only a small percentage of businesses do extensive exporting.
10 Washington's long-term economic prosperity depends on the creation and
11 retention of jobs that international trade provides through providing
12 an expanded marketplace for goods and services produced in this state.
13 Increasing the number of businesses exporting and the foreign markets
14 accessed helps diversify the state economy and make the state's
15 businesses more competitive by providing experience in the
16 international marketplace. There are many international markets that
17 offer export potential for Washington businesses that are not currently
18 being accessed, particularly several Pacific Rim countries. The
19 legislature also finds that there presently exists several programs and

1 initiatives by federal, state, and local governments that have to be
2 coordinated effectively within and among economic development
3 organizations, state agencies, academic institutions, and businesses so
4 as to enhance the sale of goods and services in foreign markets.

5 The legislature further finds that a strategy to expand
6 international trade must be integrated into a comprehensive long-term
7 economic development plan, and that the expertise of the private sector
8 can enhance the joint strategic planning efforts of the governor,
9 executive agencies, and the legislature.

10 Therefore, the legislature declares that an important public
11 purpose can be accomplished through an international trade council
12 that, through coordination and advice, can facilitate increased
13 exporting by Washington businesses.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 44.52 RCW
15 to read as follows:

16 (1) The council on international trade is established. The council
17 shall consist of fifteen members as follows:

18 (a) Two members of trade organizations, appointed by the governor;

19 (b) Two representatives of ports, appointed by the governor;

20 (c) Two representatives of businesses active in exporting goods,
21 appointed by the governor;

22 (d) Three representatives from the executive-legislative committee
23 on economic development created in chapter . . . (Senate Bill No.
24 5300), Laws of 1993;

25 (e) Two members with experience in foreign marketing, appointed by
26 the governor;

27 (f) Two experts in financing export transactions, appointed by the
28 governor;

29 (g) The director of the department of trade and economic
30 development or the director's designee; and

31 (h) The director of the department of agriculture or the director's
32 designee.

33 (2) Nonlegislative members may receive reimbursement from the
34 governor's office for travel under RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.
35 Legislative members may be reimbursed under RCW 41.04.300.

36 (3) The council shall:

1 (a) Advise the executive-legislative committee on economic
2 development regarding policies, programs, and activities to enhance the
3 exporting of Washington goods and services to international markets;

4 (b) Review current state export targeting efforts and advise the
5 executive-legislative committee on economic development regarding
6 markets with potential that currently are not being emphasized;

7 (c) Assist in the coordination of public export programs state-
8 wide;

9 (d) Identify for the executive-legislative committee on economic
10 development current and long-term international trade issues that need
11 to be addressed by the state in its long-term economic development
12 plan;

13 (e) Recommend methods to increase the awareness of international
14 trade, especially its opportunities and its importance, throughout the
15 state;

16 (f) Study the impact of the Uruguay round of the general agreement
17 on tariffs and trade and the north american free trade agreement on the
18 state's small manufacturing and export firms, focusing on the
19 competitive threats and opportunities presented by the trade agreements
20 to the state's six most significant traded sectors as measured by the
21 number of employees in the sector and the aggregate dollar volume of
22 goods and services traded in the sector. The counsel shall identify
23 and utilize existing analyses, studies, and data from the federal
24 government, national and state business and labor organizations, and
25 educational and policy institutes.

26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The council may accept gifts, grants,
27 donations, devises, and bequests to facilitate the work of the council.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The council shall make a preliminary report
29 to the executive-legislative committee on economic development on its
30 activities by June 1, 1994, and make a final report by December 1,
31 1994.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act shall expire on June 30, 1995.

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