

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1458

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LAND USE PROJECT PERMIT APPLICATIONS--TIMELINE

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

CLYDE BALLARD
Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Yeas 47 Nays 1

BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

Approved May 15, 2001

GARY LOCKE
Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

We, Timothy A. Martin and Cynthia Zehnder, Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1458** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Edwards, Mulliken, Hatfield, DeBolt, Mielke, Edmonds and Rockefeller)

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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing a timeline for final decisions on
2 land use project permit applications; and amending RCW 36.70B.080.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.70B.080 and 1995 c 347 s 410 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Development regulations adopted pursuant to RCW 36.70A.040
7 shall establish time periods for local government actions on specific
8 project permit applications and provide timely and predictable
9 procedures to determine whether a completed project permit application
10 meets the requirements of those development regulations. The time
11 periods for local government actions on specific complete project
12 permit applications or project types should not exceed one hundred
13 twenty days, unless the local government makes written findings that a
14 specified amount of additional time is needed for processing of
15 specific complete project permit applications or project types.

16 Such development regulations shall specify the contents of a
17 completed project permit application necessary for the application of
18 such time periods and procedures.

1 (2)(a) Counties subject to the requirements of RCW 36.70A.215 and
2 the cities within those counties that have populations of at least
3 twenty thousand shall identify the types of project permit applications
4 for which decisions are issued according to the provisions of this
5 chapter. For each type of project permit application identified, these
6 counties and cities shall establish a deadline for issuing a notice of
7 final decision as required by subsection (1) of this section and
8 minimum requirements for applications to be deemed complete under RCW
9 36.70B.070 as required by subsection (1) of this section. Counties and
10 cities subject to the requirements of this subsection also shall,
11 through September 1, 2003, prepare at least two annual performance
12 reports that include, at a minimum, the following information for each
13 type of project permit application:

14 (i) Total number of complete applications received during the year;

15 (ii) Number of complete applications received during the year for
16 which a notice of final decision was issued before the deadline
17 established under this subsection;

18 (iii) Number of applications received during the year for which a
19 notice of final decision was issued after the deadline established
20 under this subsection;

21 (iv) Number of applications received during the year for which an
22 extension of time was mutually agreed upon by the applicant and the
23 county or city; and

24 (v) Variance of actual performance, excluding applications for
25 which mutually agreed time extensions have occurred, to the deadline
26 established under this subsection during the year.

27 (b) Until July 1, 2003, counties and cities subject to the
28 requirements of this subsection shall provide notice of and access to
29 the annual performance reports required by this subsection through the
30 county's or city's web site. If a county or city subject to the
31 requirements of this subsection does not maintain a web site, notice of
32 the report shall be given by reasonable methods, including but not
33 limited to those methods specified in RCW 36.70B.110(4).

34 (3) Nothing in this section prohibits a county or city from
35 extending a deadline for issuing a decision for a specific project
36 permit application for any reasonable period of time mutually agreed
37 upon by the applicant and the local government.

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