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Brief Description: Creating a citizens committee for the enhancement of communities surrounding an airport.

**HB 2593 - DIGEST**

Finds that the communities surrounding SeaTac Airport deal with unique impacts from air takeoffs and landings that affect the livability of these communities.

Finds that these communities also deal with the impacts of increased traffic, noise, and the continuing environmental degradation of air and water quality.

Creates the citizens committee for the enhancement of communities surrounding SeaTac Airport, to be composed of citizens recommended by the legislative representatives from the surrounding districts.

Requires the committee to: (1) Evaluate issues of livability in the communities located in the area described, and the unique impacts on livability in these communities arising from their close proximity to the airport;

(2) Develop projects designed to restore quality of life, including but not limited to park, school, and transportation issues that affect livability in the communities; and

(3) Make recommendations to the port commission for the funding of projects designed to address transportation issues that affect livability in the communities.

Requires the port commission to: (1) Consider the recommendations of the committee;

(2) Make grants to fund related projects recommended by the citizens committee; and

(3) Identify in the annual budget an amount designated for the grants authorized under this act. The amount designated shall include an amount equal to at least one dollar for every takeoff and landing of an aircraft that occurs for the most recent calendar year.