

2853-S

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Brief Description: Requiring the emergency management council to identify critical infrastructure in the state.

**HB 2853-S - DIGEST**

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/16/02)

Directs the military department to develop a plan for the identification, assessment, and prioritization of protection for infrastructure that is critical to state and regional economic stability and security. This plan shall be developed by the military department with participation as needed from the emergency management council and its subcommittees and from the department of community, trade, and economic development, department of information systems, Washington state patrol, department of transportation, utilities and transportation commission, department of health, department of ecology, and any other agencies the military department deems necessary for plan development.

Requires that, within its existing resources and to the extent practicable, the military department and other state agencies identified in this act shall participate in any efforts by public or private sector interests to develop regional plans for management and restoration of critical functions. Participation may require coordination with other states, federal agencies, and neighboring nations.

Directs the council to report its conclusions and recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2002.