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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing uniform administrative districts
2 for certain state agencies and educational service districts; amending
3 RCW 43.88C.020, 43.88.094, 82.33.020, and 44.48.070; adding new
4 sections to chapter 43.17 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 28A.310
5 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 44.04 RCW; creating a new section;
6 and providing an expiration date.

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

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the legislature to
9 significantly improve the financial accountability and service delivery
10 of state activities and functions by establishing standardized
11 administrative districts for all state agencies. Uniform
12 administrative districts will result in enhanced reporting of revenue
13 and expense by region, better state program customer service,
14 integrated planning and development of state infrastructure, and
15 improved regional economic development opportunities.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.17 RCW
17 to read as follows:

18 (1) The following state agencies shall organize services and

1 functions according to uniform administrative districts: Social and
2 health services; ecology; labor and industries; agriculture; fish and
3 wildlife; transportation; licensing; general administration; community,
4 trade, and economic development; veterans affairs; revenue; retirement
5 systems; corrections; health; financial institutions; information
6 services; military department; personnel; and the state auditor.

7 (2) State campuses shall be established in each district and each
8 state agency shall have an administrative office in every state campus
9 of each administrative district. Existing field offices of state
10 agencies shall be aligned with the campus center.

11 (3) Administrative districts and campus centers are as follows:

| DISTRICT | COUNTIES | CAMPUS CENTERS |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| 12 Peninsula | Clallam, Jefferson, Kitsap | Port Angeles |
| 14 Pacific Coast | Grays Harbor, Pacific, Wahkiakum | Raymond |
| 15 Southwest | Clark, Skamania, Cowlitz | Vancouver |
| 16 South Sound | Lewis, Thurston, Mason | Olympia |
| 17 Puget Sound | Snohomish, King, Pierce | Bellevue |
| 18 Northwest | Whatcom, Skagit, Island, San Juan | Mt. Vernon |
| 19 Okanogan | Okanogan, Douglas, Chelan | Wenatchee |
| 20 Yakima | Kittitas, Yakima, Klickitat | Yakima |
| 21 Tri-Cities | Benton, Franklin, Walla Walla | Pasco |
| 22 Mid-State | Grant, Adams, Lincoln | Ritzville |
| 23 Northeast | Stevens, Ferry, Pend Oreille | Colville |
| 24 Spokane | Spokane, Whitman | Spokane |
| 25 Palouse | Columbia, Garfield, Asotin | Pomeroy |

26 (4) The location of state campuses may be changed only by a
27 majority vote of all county commissioners located within the district
28 within the first one hundred eighty days following the effective date
29 of this act.

30 (5) All state agencies, boards, and commissions shall report all
31 revenues and expenditures, in aggregate and by program or project, to
32 the office of financial management by uniform administrative district.
33 Budget requests shall be submitted by agencies, boards, and commissions
34 as a whole and organized by uniform administrative district.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.17 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 The office of financial management shall maintain state agency data
4 by uniform administrative districts created in section 2 of this act
5 and shall report this information to the legislature at least
6 semiannually. The office of financial management shall fund conversion
7 costs within existing appropriations and shall provide a progress
8 report on these conversions to the legislature on or before July 1,
9 2005.

10 **Sec. 4.** RCW 43.88C.020 and 1997 c 168 s 2 are each amended to read
11 as follows:

12 (1) In consultation with the caseload forecast work group
13 established under RCW 43.88C.030, and subject to the approval of the
14 caseload forecast council under RCW 43.88C.010, the supervisor shall
15 prepare:

- 16 (a) An official state caseload forecast; and
17 (b) Other caseload forecasts based on alternative assumptions as
18 the council may determine.

19 (2) The supervisor shall submit caseload forecasts prepared under
20 this section, along with any unofficial forecasts provided under RCW
21 43.88C.010, to the governor and the members of the legislative fiscal
22 committees, including one copy to the staff of each of the committees.
23 Caseload forecasts shall be organized and reported according to uniform
24 administrative districts created in section 2 of this act. The
25 forecasts shall be submitted at least three times each year and on such
26 dates as the council determines will facilitate the development of
27 budget proposals by the governor and the legislature.

28 (3) All agencies of state government shall provide to the
29 supervisor immediate access to all information relating to caseload
30 forecasts.

31 (4) The administrator of the legislative evaluation and
32 accountability program committee may request, and the supervisor shall
33 provide, alternative caseload forecasts based on assumptions specified
34 by the administrator.

35 (5) The official state caseload forecast under this section shall
36 be the basis of the governor's budget document as provided in RCW

1 43.88.030 and utilized by the legislature in the development of the
2 omnibus biennial appropriations act.

3 **Sec. 5.** RCW 43.88.094 and 1998 c 299 s 4 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) The budget amount designated in RCW 43.88.093(1) is the sum of
6 the base amount and the growth component as calculated under subsection
7 (2) of this section.

8 (2) The director of the department of community, trade, and
9 economic development shall calculate the tourism development division
10 budget, organized as a whole and by uniform administrative districts
11 created in section 2 of this act, in consultation with the appropriate
12 agencies in the following manner:

13 (a) The base amount, beginning in the budget for the biennium
14 ending June 30, 2001, and for each subsequent biennium thereafter,
15 equals the previous biennial budget, including any supplemental
16 allocations and any growth component amounts from previous biennia.

17 (b) For the growth component, beginning in the budget for the
18 biennium ending June 30, 2001: (i) Compute the state retail sales tax
19 revenues for the target business categories for the calendar year two
20 years prior to the beginning of the biennium for which the budget
21 request will be made; (ii) compute the state retail sales tax revenues
22 for the target business categories for the calendar year four years
23 prior to the beginning of the biennium for which the budget request
24 will be made; (iii) calculate the percentage change in these two sales
25 tax revenue amounts; (iv) if the percentage exceeds eight percent
26 growth, calculate the amount of sales tax revenue that represents the
27 excess in revenue growth greater than six percent; and (v) calculate
28 the growth component by dividing the excess revenue growth by two. The
29 amount of the growth component for any biennium shall not exceed two
30 million dollars per fiscal year for the biennium.

31 (3) As used in this section:

32 (a) "Target business categories" means businesses in standard
33 industrial classification codes 58 (eating and drinking), 70 (lodging),
34 7514 (auto rental), and 79 (recreation). If at any time the United
35 States office of management and budget or a successor agency should
36 change or replace the present standard industrial classification code
37 system, the department of community, trade, and economic development

1 shall use the code system issued by the office of management and budget
2 or its successor agency to determine codes corresponding to those
3 listed in this definition.

4 (b) "Retail sales" means the gross sales subject to the tax imposed
5 in chapter 82.08 RCW received by businesses identified in department of
6 revenue records by standard industrial classification codes 58, 70,
7 7514, and 79.

8 (4) This section expires June 30, 2008.

9 **Sec. 6.** RCW 82.33.020 and 1992 c 231 s 34 are each amended to read
10 as follows:

11 (1) Four times each year the supervisor shall prepare, subject to
12 the approval of the economic and revenue forecast council under RCW
13 82.33.010:

- 14 (a) An official state economic and revenue forecast;
- 15 (b) An unofficial state economic and revenue forecast based on
16 optimistic economic and revenue projections; and
- 17 (c) An unofficial state economic and revenue forecast based on
18 pessimistic economic and revenue projections.

19 (2) The supervisor shall submit forecasts prepared under this
20 section, along with any unofficial forecasts provided under RCW
21 82.33.010, to the governor and the members of the committees on ways
22 and means and the chairs of the committees on transportation of the
23 senate and house of representatives and the chair of the legislative
24 transportation committee, including one copy to the staff of each of
25 the committees, on or before November 20th, February 20th in the even-
26 numbered years, March 20th in the odd-numbered years, June 20th, and
27 September 20th. All forecasts shall include both estimated receipts
28 and estimated revenues in conformance with generally accepted
29 accounting principles as provided by RCW 43.88.037. All forecasts
30 shall be organized and reported according to uniform administrative
31 districts created in section 2 of this act.

32 (3) All agencies of state government shall provide to the
33 supervisor immediate access to all information relating to economic and
34 revenue forecasts. Revenue collection information shall be available
35 to the supervisor the first business day following the conclusion of
36 each collection period.

1 (4) The economic and revenue forecast supervisor and staff shall
2 co-locate and share information, data, and files with the tax research
3 section of the department of revenue but shall not duplicate the duties
4 and functions of one another.

5 (5) As part of its forecasts under subsection (1) of this section,
6 the supervisor shall provide estimated revenue from tuition fees as
7 defined in RCW 28B.15.020.

8 (6) The caseload forecast council shall create and maintain an
9 index of uniform economic indicators and a uniform purchasing power
10 index and track these activities according to the uniform
11 administrative districts created in section 2 of this act. The council
12 shall report this information to the legislature on a semiannual basis
13 beginning on or before July 1, 2005.

14 **Sec. 7.** RCW 44.48.070 and 1977 ex.s. c 373 s 7 are each amended to
15 read as follows:

16 The committee shall acquire a data processing service capability
17 under the exclusive jurisdiction and control of the legislature acting
18 through the committee and its administrator for the purpose of
19 providing the legislature and its staff with the type of information
20 required for in-depth analysis and monitoring of state agency
21 expenditures, budgets, and related fiscal matters. The committee shall
22 be able to provide information according to the uniform administrative
23 districts created in section 2 of this act. The legislative evaluation
24 and accountability program established in this section may be referred
25 to in this chapter as the LEAP administration.

26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.310
27 RCW to read as follows:

28 (1) The superintendent of public instruction shall organize
29 educational service district services and functions according to
30 administrative districts created in section 2 of this act. An
31 educational service district shall have an administrative office in the
32 designated administrative center of each district.

33 (2) Educational service districts shall report all revenues and
34 expenditures, in aggregate and by program or project, to the
35 superintendent of public instruction by uniform administrative
36 district.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.310
2 RCW to read as follows:

3 The superintendent of public instruction shall maintain educational
4 service district data by uniform administrative districts created in
5 section 2 of this act and shall report this information to the
6 legislature at least quarterly. The superintendent of public
7 instruction shall fund conversion costs within existing appropriations
8 and shall provide reporting conversions to the legislature on or before
9 July 1, 2005.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** A new section is added to chapter 44.04 RCW
11 to read as follows:

12 (1) The legislature shall establish a joint committee to review and
13 assess the effectiveness of the uniform administrative districts in
14 meeting its legislative intent. The joint committee shall include four
15 members, one from each major caucus from the senate and the house of
16 representatives selected by the caucus leadership.

17 (2) The committee shall hold at least four public meetings each
18 year to allow for public comment and to gather information on the
19 effectiveness of uniform administrative districts.

20 (3) The committee shall evaluate the effectiveness of the uniform
21 administrative districts and make recommendations to expand the number
22 of state agencies required to organize by uniform administrative
23 district and procedures to align agency efforts to successfully
24 accomplish that goal.

25 (4) This section expires December 31, 2008.

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