
HOUSE BILL 2584

State of Washington

59th Legislature

2006 Regular Session

By Representatives Jarrett, Dunshee, Shabro, Clibborn, Anderson, B. Sullivan, Tom, Linville, Nixon, Lantz, Rodne, Upthegrove, P. Sullivan, Morrell, Moeller, Kilmer and Springer

Read first time 01/11/2006. Referred to Committee on Local Government.

1 AN ACT Relating to the establishment of a blue ribbon growth
2 management needs and priorities task force; creating a new section; and
3 providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1)(a) A blue ribbon growth management needs
6 and priorities task force is established, with members as provided in
7 this subsection.

8 (i) The president of the senate shall appoint two members from each
9 of the two largest caucuses of the senate.

10 (ii) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint two
11 members from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of
12 representatives.

13 (iii) The governor shall appoint eleven members representing, at a
14 minimum, the following entities: State agencies whose policies,
15 practices, and procedures have a direct impact on the development and
16 implementation of growth management goals and requirements; cities;
17 counties; regional transportation planning organizations; major
18 employers; academia; developers; agricultural business; environmental
19 conservation; planning associations; and the general public. In

1 appointing members of academia to the task force, preference shall be
2 given to scholars from the following fields: Urban planning;
3 economics; taxation; business administration; public administration;
4 environmental and natural resources sciences; or other relevant
5 disciplines.

6 (b) In addition, the director of the department of community,
7 trade, and economic development, or the director's designee, shall
8 serve as a nonvoting liaison representative on behalf of the department
9 of community, trade, and economic development.

10 (c) The task force shall choose two cochairs from among its
11 legislative membership.

12 The governor shall convene the initial meeting of the task force.

13 (2) The task force shall conduct a comprehensive analysis of
14 statewide growth management needs and priorities; existing and
15 potential funding mechanisms; and the policies and practices of
16 governmental entities, private businesses, and the general public that
17 affect the development and implementation of growth management goals
18 and requirements.

19 (3) The task force, when appropriate, may consult with individuals
20 from the public and private sectors or ask those individuals to
21 establish one or more advisory committees. Members of these advisory
22 committees are not entitled to expense reimbursement.

23 (4) The task force may contract with additional persons who have
24 specific technical expertise if that expertise is necessary to carry
25 out the provisions of this section. Such a contract may be entered
26 into only if an appropriation is specifically provided for in the
27 operations of the task force.

28 (5) Staff support for the task force shall be provided by the
29 senate committee services, the house office of program research, the
30 department of community, trade, and economic development, and the
31 office of financial management.

32 (6) Legislative members of the task force shall be reimbursed for
33 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative
34 members, except those representing an employer or organization, are
35 entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with RCW
36 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

37 (7) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, the
38 expenses of the task force shall be paid jointly by the senate and the

1 house of representatives. Task force expenditures are subject to
2 approval by the senate facilities and operations committee and the
3 house executive rules committee, or their successor committees.

4 (8) The task force shall provide quarterly progress reports to the
5 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature. The task
6 force shall report its final findings and recommendations to the
7 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by June 30,
8 2008.

9 (9) This section expires June 30, 2008.

--- END ---