

SHB 2348 - H AMD 620

By Representative Appleton

1 On page 3, after line 20, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1)(a) A legislative task force on fireworks
3 is established, with members as provided in this subsection.

4 (i) The president of the senate must appoint one member from each
5 of the two largest caucuses of the senate.

6 (ii) The speaker of the house of representatives must appoint one
7 member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of
8 representatives.

9 (iii) The president of the senate and the speaker of the house of
10 representatives jointly must appoint one member representing each of
11 the following:

12 (A) The department of natural resources;

13 (b) The association of Washington cities;

14 (C) The association of Washington counties;

15 (D) Washington fire chiefs;

16 (F) The fireworks industry; and

17 (E) Federally recognized Indian tribes engaged in the sale of
18 fireworks.

19 (b) The task force must choose its chair from among its
20 legislative membership. A legislative member must convene the initial
21 meeting of the task force.

22 (2) The task force must review the implementation of this act.
23 Specifically, the task force must examine how many cities and counties
24 have enacted ordinances pursuant to subsection (4) of section 2 of
25 this act and the impacts of those ordinances.

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1 (3) Staff support for the task force must be provided by the
2 senate committee services and the house of representatives office of
3 program research.

4 (4) Legislative members of the task force must be reimbursed for
5 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative
6 members, except those representing an employer or organization, are
7 entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with RCW
8 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

9 (5) The expenses of the task force must be paid jointly by the
10 senate and the house of representatives. Task force expenditures are
11 subject to approval by the senate facilities and operations committee
12 and the house of representatives executive rules committee, or their
13 successor committees.

14 (6) The task force must report its findings to the governor and
15 the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2018.

16 (7) This section expires December 15, 2018."
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18 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
19 internal references accordingly. Correct the title.

EFFECT: Creates a legislative task force on fireworks. The membership of the task force consists of one member from each of the largest caucuses of both the House of Representatives and the Senate and one member from each of the following groups: Department of Natural Resources, Association of Washington Cities, Washington Fire Chiefs, the fireworks industry, and federally recognized Indian tribes engaged in the sale of fireworks.

The task force must review the implementation of the act and examine the number of cities and counties which have adopted ordinances to restrict the use of fireworks sold at retail during a period of extreme fire hazard or imminent threat of wildfire pursuant to the act.

The task force must submit a report the Governor and the Legislature by December 1 2018. The task force expires December 15, 2018.

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