

HB 1150 - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 43.21A.731 and 2016 c 194 s 2 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1) The Chehalis board is created consisting of seven voting
6 members.

7 (2)(a) Four members of the board must be voting members who are
8 appointed (~~((by))~~) through the governor(~~(, subject to confirmation by~~
9 ~~the senate. One member must represent the Chehalis Indian tribe and~~
10 ~~one member must represent the Quinault Indian nation))~~). The governor
11 shall invite the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation and
12 the Quinault Indian Nation to each designate a voting member of the
13 board. In addition, the governor shall appoint two members of the
14 board, subject to confirmation by the senate. Three board members
15 must be selected by the Chehalis basin flood authority. No member may
16 have a direct financial (~~((or regulatory))~~) interest in the (~~((work))~~)
17 actions of the board. The governor shall appoint one of the flood
18 authority appointees as the chair. The voting members of the board
19 must be appointed for terms of four years, except that (~~((two~~
20 ~~members))~~) one member appointed by the governor and one member
21 appointed by the flood authority initially must be appointed for
22 terms of two years, and (~~((three members))~~) one member appointed by the
23 governor and two members appointed by the flood authority must
24 initially be appointed for terms of three years. In making the
25 appointments, (~~((the governor))~~) each appointing authority shall seek a
26 board membership that collectively provides the expertise necessary
27 to provide strong oversight for implementation of the Chehalis basin
28 strategy, that provides extensive knowledge of local government
29 processes and functions, and that has an understanding of issues
30 relevant to reducing flood damages and restoring aquatic species.

31 (b) In addition to the seven voting members of the board, the
32 following five state officials must serve as ex officio nonvoting

1 members of the board: The director of the department of fish and
2 wildlife, the executive director of the Washington state conservation
3 commission, the secretary of the department of transportation, the
4 director of the department of ecology, and the commissioner of public
5 lands. The state officials serving in an ex officio capacity may
6 designate a representative of their respective agencies to serve on
7 the board in their behalf. These designations must be made in writing
8 and in such a manner as is specified by the board.

9 (3) Staff support to the board must be provided by the
10 department. For administrative purposes, the board is located within
11 the department.

12 (4) Members of the board who do not represent state agencies must
13 be compensated as provided by RCW 43.03.250. Members of the board
14 shall be reimbursed for travel expenses as provided by RCW 43.03.050
15 and 43.03.060.

16 (5) The board is responsible for oversight of a long-term
17 strategy resulting from the department's programmatic environmental
18 impact statement for the Chehalis river basin to reduce flood damages
19 and restore aquatic species habitat.

20 (6) The board is responsible for overseeing the implementation of
21 the strategy and developing biennial and supplemental budget
22 recommendations to the governor.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
24 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
25 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
26 effect immediately."

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27 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "Laws of 2016;" strike the
28 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 43.21A.731; and
29 declaring an emergency."

EFFECT: Permits board members to have a regulatory interest, but not a direct financial interest, in the Chehalis board's actions.

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