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

3 "<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. The legislature finds and declares that:
4 (1) Washington state, through its extensive purchasing power, can
5 reduce embodied carbon in the built environment, improve human and
6 environmental health, grow economic competitiveness, and promote high
7 labor standards in manufacturing by incorporating climate and other
8 types of pollution impacts and the quality of working conditions into
9 the procurement process.

10 (2)Washington state is home to multiple world-class 11 manufacturers that are investing heavily in reducing the carbon 12 intensity of their products and that provide family-wage jobs that 13 are the foundation for a fair and robust economy. Washington's procurement practices should encourage manufacturers and others to 14 meet high environmental and labor standards and reduce their 15 environmental footprint. 16

17 (3) The private sector is increasingly demanding low carbon building materials that support good jobs in manufacturing. 18 This market demand has rapidly accelerated innovation and led to increased 19 production of low carbon building materials. As one of the largest 20 21 consumers of building materials, Washington state has an opportunity to leverage its purchasing power to do even more to send a clear 22 signal to the market of the growing demand for low carbon building 23 24 materials.

(4) With its low carbon electric grid and highly skilled workforce, Washington state is well-positioned to capture the growing demand for low carbon building materials and create and sustain a new generation of good, high-wage clean manufacturing jobs.

(5) Washington has demonstrated a deep commitment to ensuring that the transition to a low carbon economy is fair and creates family-wage jobs. Both the clean energy transformation act and the climate commitment act tie public investments in infrastructure to

1 reducing greenhouse gas emissions and to high road construction labor standards. Integrating manufacturing working conditions into the 2 procurement process reaffirms and is consistent with the state's 3 commitment to a fair transition. 4

(6) A robust state and domestic supply of low carbon materials is 5 6 critical for building a fair economy and meeting the needs of the low carbon transition, including securing the clean energy supply chain. 7

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(7) Environmental product declarations are the best available tool for reporting product-specific environmental impacts using a 9 life-cycle assessment and informing the procurement of low carbon 10 11 building materials. Environmental product declarations cannot be used 12 to compare products across different product categories or different functional units. 13

(8) The buy clean and buy fair policies established in this act 14 are critical to reduce embodied carbon in the built environment, a 15 16 goal identified by the Washington state 2021 energy strategy to meet 17 the state's greenhouse gas emission limits, governor Inslee's 18 Executive Order 20-01 on state efficiency and environmental performance, and the Pacific coast collaborative's pathbreaking low 19 carbon construction task force. 20

21 (9) Reducing embodied carbon in the built environment requires a holistic, comprehensive approach that includes designing buildings 22 with a lower-embodied carbon footprint and making lower carbon 23 products. Policies like the buy clean and buy fair policies 24 25 established in this act are an important tool for increasing the manufacture of lower carbon products. 26

(10) The 2021-2023 biennium budgets made critical progress on the 27 buy clean and buy fair policies in this act by funding the creation 28 of a publicly accessible database to facilitate reporting and promote 29 transparency on building materials purchased for state-funded 30 31 infrastructure projects and two large buy clean and buy fair pilot 32 projects. This ongoing work to create a database to facilitate reporting of environmental impacts and labor conditions from pilot 33 projects has provided a strong foundation to inform future work on 34 buy clean and buy fair policies. 35

36 (11) Providing financial assistance to small manufacturers to support the production of environmental product declarations will 37 help small manufacturers offset costs they might incur when pursuing 38 39 state contracting as a result of the requirements of this act.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. The definitions in this section apply
 throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires
 otherwise.

4 (1) "Actual production facilities" means the final manufacturing 5 facility and the facilities at which production processes occur that 6 contribute to 70 percent or more of the product's cradle-to-gate 7 global warming potential, as reflected in the environmental product 8 declaration.

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(2) "Awarding authority" means:

10 (a) Institutions of higher education as defined in RCW
11 28B.92.030;

12 (b) The department of enterprise services, the department of 13 natural resources, the state parks and recreation commission, the 14 department of fish and wildlife, and the department of 15 transportation; and

16 (c) Any other state government agency that receives funding from 17 the omnibus capital appropriations act for a public works project 18 contracted directly by the state agency.

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(3) "Covered product" includes:

(a) Structural concrete products, including ready mix, shotcrete,
 precast, and concrete masonry units;

22 (b) Reinforcing steel products, specifically rebar and 23 posttensioning tendons;

(c) Structural steel products, specifically hot rolled sections,hollow sections, metal deck, and plate; and

(d) (i) Engineered wood products, such as cross-laminated timber
per ANSI form no. PRG 320, glulam beams, laminated veneer lumber,
parallel strand lumber, dowel laminated timber, nail laminated
timber, glulam laminated timber, prefabricated wood joists per ASTM
D5055, wood structural panel per product standard 1 or product
standard 2, solid sawn lumber per product standard 20, structural
composite lumber per ASTM D5456, and structural sawn lumber.

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(ii) For the purposes of this subsection (3)(d):

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(A) "ANSI" means the American national standards institute.

35 (B) "ASTM" means the American society for testing and materials.

36 (C) "Product standard" means a voluntary product standard 37 published by the United States department of commerce national 38 institute of standards and technology.

39 (4) "Covered project" means:

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(a) A construction project larger than 50,000 gross square feet
 as defined in the Washington state building code, chapter 51-50 WAC;
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4 (b) A building renovation project where the cost is greater than 5 50 percent of the assessed value and the project is larger than 6 50,000 gross square feet of occupied or conditioned space as defined 7 in the Washington state building code, chapter 51-50 WAC.

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(5) "Department" means the department of commerce.

9 (6) "Employee" means any individual who is in an employment 10 relationship with the organization.

11 (7) (a) "Environmental product declaration" means a type III environmental product declaration, as defined by the international 12 organization for standardization standard 14025 or similarly robust 13 life-cycle assessment methods that have uniform standards in data 14 collection consistent with the international organization for 15 standardization standard 14025, industry acceptance, and integrity. 16 17 When available, the environmental product declaration must be supply 18 chain specific.

(b) For the purposes of this subsection, "supply chain specific" means an environmental product declaration that includes supply chain specific data for production processes that contribute 70 percent or more of a product's cradle-to-gate global warming potential, as defined in international organization for standardization standard 21930, and reports the overall percentage of supply chain specific data included.

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(8) "Full time" means an employee in a position that:

(a) The employer intends to be filled for at least 52 consecutive
 weeks or 12 consecutive months, excluding any leaves of absence; and

(b) Requires the employee to work, excluding overtime hours, 35
 hours per week for 52 consecutive weeks, 455 hours a quarter, or
 1,820 hours during a period of 12 consecutive months.

(9) "Health product declaration" means a supply chain specific health product declaration, as defined by the health product declaration open standard maintained by the health product declaration collaborative, that has robust methods for product manufacturers and their ingredient suppliers to uniformly report and disclose information about product contents and associated health information.

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1 (a) The employer intends to be filled for at least 52 consecutive 2 weeks or 12 consecutive months, excluding any leaves of absence; and

3 (b) Working hours are less than those required for a full-time 4 employee, as defined in this section.

5 (11) "Product and facility specific report" means an 6 environmental product declaration whereby the environmental impacts 7 can be attributed to a single manufacturer and a specific 8 manufacturing or production facility.

9 (12)(a) "Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions" are indirect 10 greenhouse gas emissions associated with the purchase of electricity, 11 steam, heat, or cooling.

12 (b) For purposes of this section, "greenhouse gas" has the same 13 meaning as in RCW 70A.45.010.

(13) "Supplier code of conduct" means a policy created by a manufacturer that outlines steps taken to ensure that its suppliers adhere to ethical practices, such as compliance with child and forced labor laws, antidiscrimination practices, freedom of association, and safe workplace conditions.

19 (14) "Temporary" means an employee in a position that is intended 20 to be filled for a period of less than 52 consecutive weeks or 12 21 consecutive months. Positions in seasonal employment are temporary 22 positions.

(15) "Total case incident rate" means the number of work-related injuries per 100 full-time equivalent workers during a one-year period, as defined by the occupational safety and health administration. Total case incident rate is calculated by multiplying the number of occupational safety and health administration recordable injuries and illnesses by 200,000 and dividing by number of hours worked by all employees.

30 (16) "Working conditions" means the average number of employees31 by employment type: Full time, part time, and temporary.

32 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. (1)(a) Beginning July 1, 2025, an awarding 33 authority must require in all newly executed construction contracts 34 that the selected firm for a construction contract for a covered 35 project larger than 100,000 gross square feet submit the following 36 data for each covered product used before substantial completion, 37 including at a minimum:

38 (i) Product quantity;

39 (ii) A current environmental product declaration;

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1 (iii) Health product declaration, if any, completed for the 2 product;

3 (iv) Manufacturer name and location, including state or province 4 and country;

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(v) Supplier code of conduct, if any; and

6 (vi) Office of minority and women-owned business enterprises 7 certification, if any.

8 (b) Beginning July 1, 2027, an awarding authority must require in 9 all newly executed construction contracts that the selected firm for 10 a construction contract for a covered project submit the data 11 required by (a) of this subsection for each covered product used 12 before substantial completion.

(c) The selected firm for a contract for a covered project shall provide the data required by this subsection for at least 90 percent of the cost of each of the covered products used in the project.

16 (2) The selected firm for a contract for a covered project is 17 required to collect and submit from product suppliers the information 18 required in subsection (1)(a)(ii) through (vi) of this section. The 19 selected firm is not required to verify the information received from 20 product suppliers.

(3) (a) Beginning July 1, 2025, an awarding authority must require in all newly executed construction contracts that the selected firm for a construction contract for a covered project larger than 100,000 gross square feet to ask their suppliers to report for each covered product used before substantial completion, including at a minimum:

(i) Names and locations, including state or province and country,of the actual production facilities; and

(ii) Working conditions at the actual production facilities for all employees, full-time employees, part-time employees, and temporary employees. In cases in which the supplier does not have this information, the selected firm for a contract for a covered project must ask suppliers to provide a report on steps taken to reasonably obtain the data and provide suppliers' self-reports to the awarding authority.

35 (b) Beginning July 1, 2027, an awarding authority must require in 36 all newly executed construction contracts that the successful bidder 37 for a construction contract for a covered project to meet the 38 requirements of (a) of this subsection for each covered product used 39 before substantial completion.

1 (c) The selected firm is not required to verify the information 2 reported by product suppliers pursuant to this subsection.

3 (d) The selected firm for a contract for a covered project shall 4 meet the requirement in (a) of this subsection for at least 90 5 percent of the cost of each of the covered products used in the 6 project.

7 (4) If a supply chain specific environmental product declaration
8 is not available, a product and facility specific report may be
9 submitted.

10 (5) This section does not apply to a covered product for a 11 particular covered project if the awarding authority determines, upon 12 written justification provided to the department, that the 13 requirements in this section would cause a significant delay in 14 completion, significant increase in overall project cost, or result 15 in only one product supplier being able to provide the covered 16 product.

17 (6) An awarding authority must include the information and 18 reporting requirements in this section in a specification for bids 19 for a covered project.

(7) Subject to funds appropriated for this specific purpose, the 20 21 department may provide financial assistance to small businesses, as defined in RCW 19.85.020, to help offset the costs to the small 22 business of producing an environmental product declaration required 23 under this section. Such financial assistance supports the production 24 25 of environmental product declarations and achievement of reductions of embodied carbon in the built environment while ensuring that small 26 manufacturers are not put at a competitive disadvantage in state 27 contracting as a result of the requirements of this chapter. 28

(8) Compliance with the requirements in this section may not be
 used as a basis for a waiver from apprenticeship utilization
 requirements in any other statute, rule, regulation, or law.

32 Sec. 4. By July 1, 2025, and to the extent NEW SECTION. practicable, specifications for a bid or proposal for a project 33 contract by an awarding authority may only include performance-based 34 35 specifications for concrete used as a structural material. Awarding authorities may continue to use prescriptive specifications 36 on structural elements to support special designs 37 and emerging 38 technology implementation.

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1 NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. (1) The department must continue to develop, maintain, and refine the publicly accessible database funded 2 by the 2021-2023 omnibus operating appropriations act and created by 3 the department in conjunction with the University of Washington 4 college of built environments for selected firms for contracts for 5 6 covered projects to submit the data required in section 3 of this act 7 to the department and to promote transparency. The department may consult with the University of Washington college of built 8 9 environments.

10 (2) The database maintained pursuant to subsection (1) of this 11 section must publish global warming potential as reported in the 12 environmental product declarations.

13 (3) By July 1, 2025, the department must:

14 (a) Further elaborate covered product definitions using15 applicable material industry standards;

16 (b) Develop measurement and reporting standards to ensure that 17 data is consistent and comparable, including standards for reporting 18 product quantities;

(c) Create model language for specifications, bid documents, and contracts to support the implementation of section 3 of this act; and

21 (d) Produce an educational brief that:

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(i) Provides an overview of embodied carbon;

(ii) Describes the appropriate use of environmental product declarations, including the necessary preconditions for environmental product declarations to be comparable;

(iii) Outlines reporting standards, including covered product
 definitions, standards for reporting product quantities, and working
 conditions;

(iv) Describes the data collection and reporting process for all
 information required in section 3 (1)(a) and (3)(a) of this act;

(v) Provides instructions for the use of the database; and

32 (vi) Lists applicable product category rules for covered 33 products.

34 (4) The department may contract for the use of nationally or 35 internationally recognized databases of environmental product 36 declarations for purposes of implementing this section.

37 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 6. (1) By December 1, 2024, the department 38 must convene a technical work group that includes the following 39 representatives:

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1 (a) One industry professional in design, one industry 2 professional in structural design, one industry professional in 3 specification, and one industry professional in construction who are 4 recommended by leading associations of Washington business;

5 (b) Two representatives each from Washington manufacturers of:

6 (i) Steel;

7 (ii) Wood; and

8 (iii) Concrete;

9 (c) A representative from the department of enterprise services;

10 (d) A representative from the department of transportation;

11 (e) A representative from the department of ecology;

12 (f) One representative each from three environmental groups that 13 focus on embodied carbon and climate change;

(g) Three representatives from labor unions, including two from unions that represent manufacturing workers and one representative from the building and construction trades;

17 (h) A representative from the minority and women-owned business 18 community;

19 (i) A representative from the University of Washington college of 20 built environments; and

(j) Representatives of other agencies and independent experts as necessary to meet the objectives of the technical work group as described in this section.

(2) The department intends formation of subgroups with members who have subject matter expertise or industry experience to develop technical information, recommendations, and analysis specific to individual material types, and the feasibility of supply chain specific environmental product declarations. The recommendations must, where possible, align with state and national principles and laws for environmental product declaration development.

(3) The department may contract with the University of Washingtoncollege of built environments in convening the technical work group.

33 (4) The purpose of the technical work group is to identify 34 opportunities for and barriers to growth of the use and production of 35 low carbon materials, promote high labor standards in manufacturing, 36 and preserve and expand low carbon materials manufacturing in 37 Washington.

(5) By September 1, 2025, the technical work group must submit areport to the legislature and the governor that includes:

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1 (a) A low carbon materials manufacturing plan that recommends 2 policies to preserve and grow the in-state manufacturing of low 3 carbon materials and accelerate industrial decarbonization. For this 4 plan, the technical work group must:

5 (i) Examine barriers and opportunities to maintain and grow a 6 robust in-state supply of low carbon building materials including, 7 but not limited to, state and domestic supply of raw materials and 8 other supply chain challenges, regulatory barriers, competitiveness 9 of local and domestic manufacturers, cost, and data availability from 10 local, state, national, and foreign product suppliers; and

(ii) Identify opportunities to encourage the continued conversion to lower carbon cements, including the use of performance-based specifications and allowing Type 1-L cement in specifications for public projects;

15 (b) Recommendations for consistent treatment in the reporting for 16 covered products; and

17 (c) Consideration of how additional information relevant to 18 reducing embodied carbon through strategies including, but not 19 limited to, product life-cycle assessments could be incorporated into 20 future reporting.

(6) (a) By September 1, 2026, the technical work group must submit 21 a report on policy recommendations, including any statutory changes 22 needed, to the legislature and the governor. The report must consider 23 policies to expand the use and production of low carbon materials, 24 25 preserve and expand low carbon materials manufacturing in Washington, 26 including opportunities to encourage continued conversion to lower carbon blended cements in public projects, and support living wage 27 manufacturing jobs. 28

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(b) For this report, the technical work group must:

(i) Summarize data collected pursuant to section 3 of this act, the case study analysis funded by the 2021-2023 omnibus operating appropriations act, and the pilot projects funded by the 2021-2023 omnibus capital appropriations act. The summary must include product quantities, global warming potential, health product declarations, supplier codes of conduct, and any obstacles to the implementation of this chapter;

(ii) Evaluate options for collecting reported working condition information from product suppliers, including hourly wages, employee benefits, and total case incident rates, and for aligning these

1 reporting requirements with existing reporting requirements for 2 preferential tax rates, credits, exemptions, and deferrals;

3 (iii) Make recommendations for improving environmental production 4 declaration data quality including, but not limited to, integrating 5 reporting on variability in facility, product, and upstream data for 6 key processes;

7 (iv) Make recommendations for consideration of scope 2 greenhouse
8 gas emissions mitigation through green power purchases, such as
9 energy attribute certificates and power purchase agreements;

10 (v) Make recommendations, if any, for changing or clarifying the 11 definition of "actual production facilities" in section 2 of this act 12 to better define and refine reporting and compliance obligations 13 under chapter 39.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 9 of 14 this act);

(vi) Identify barriers and opportunities to the effective use of the database maintained under section 5 of this act and the data collected pursuant to this chapter;

18 (vii) Identify emerging and foreseeable trends in local, state, 19 federal, and private policy on embodied carbon and the procurement 20 and use of low carbon materials and opportunities to promote 21 consistency across public and private embodied carbon and low carbon 22 materials policies, rules, and regulations; and

23 (viii) Recommend approaches to designing lower embodied carbon 24 state building projects.

25 (7)(a) The department may update reporting standards and 26 requirements based on input from the technical work group.

(b) The department must provide updated guidance on reportingstandards by January 1, 2027.

29 (8) This section expires January 1, 2028.

30 Sec. 7. RCW 43.88.0301 and 2021 c 54 s 4 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

32 (1) The office of financial management must include in its 33 capital budget instructions((, beginning with its instructions for 34 the 2003-05 capital budget,)) a request for "yes" or "no" answers for 35 the following additional informational questions from capital budget 36 applicants for all proposed major capital construction projects 37 valued over ((10 million dollars)) \$10,000,000 and required to 38 complete a predesign:

(a) For proposed capital projects identified in this subsection
 that are located in or serving city or county planning under RCW
 36.70A.040:

4 (i) Whether the proposed capital project is identified in the 5 host city or county comprehensive plan, including the capital 6 facility plan, and implementing rules adopted under chapter 36.70A 7 RCW;

8 (ii) Whether the proposed capital project is located within an 9 adopted urban growth area:

10 (A) If at all located within an adopted urban growth area 11 boundary, whether a project facilitates, accommodates, or attracts 12 planned population and employment growth;

(B) If at all located outside an urban growth area boundary, whether the proposed capital project may create pressures for additional development;

16 (b) For proposed capital projects identified in this subsection 17 that are requesting state funding:

18 (i) Whether there was regional coordination during project 19 development;

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(ii) Whether local and additional funds were leveraged;

21 (iii) Whether environmental outcomes and the reduction of adverse 22 environmental impacts were examined.

(2) For projects subject to subsection (1) of this section, the office of financial management shall request the required information be provided during the predesign process of major capital construction projects to reduce long-term costs and increase process efficiency.

28 (3) The office of financial management, in fulfilling its duties 29 under RCW 43.88.030(6) to create a capital budget document, must take into account information gathered under subsections (1) and (2) of 30 31 this section in an effort to promote state capital facility 32 expenditures that minimize unplanned or uncoordinated infrastructure and development costs, support economic and quality of life benefits 33 for existing communities, and support local government planning 34 35 efforts.

36 (4) The office of community development must provide staff 37 support to the office of financial management and affected capital 38 budget applicants to help collect data required by subsections (1) 39 and (2) of this section.

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1 (5) The office of financial management must include in its 2 capital budget instructions, beginning with the instructions for the 3 2025-2027 biennium, information informing awarding authorities, as 4 defined in section 2 of this act, of the requirements of chapter 5 39.--- RCW (the new chapter created in section 9 of this act), 6 including the data and information requirements in section 3 of this 7 act.

8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 8. This act may be known and cited as the buy 9 clean and buy fair Washington act.

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 9. Sections 2 through 6 of this act 11 constitute a new chapter in Title 39 RCW.

12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 10. If any provision of this act or its 13 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the 14 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other 15 persons or circumstances is not affected."

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16 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "material;" strike the 17 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 43.88.0301; adding a 18 new chapter to Title 39 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an 19 expiration date."

<u>EFFECT:</u> Requires the September 1, 2026, report from the technical work group to include recommendations for changing or clarifying the definition of Actual Production Facilities.

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