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By House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Bray, Ludwig, Rayburn and Grant)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the state commission on Hispanic affairs;
2 amending RCW 43.115.010, 43.115.030, 43.131.341, and 43.131.342; adding
3 a new section to chapter 43.115 RCW; and repealing RCW 43.115.050.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.115.010 and 1987 c 249 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 The legislature declares that the public policy of this state is to
8 insure equal opportunity for all of its citizens. ((The legislature
9 finds that Hispanics have unique and special problems. It is the
10 purpose of this chapter to improve the well-being of Hispanics by
11 insuring their participation in the fields of government, business, and
12 education. The legislature further finds that it is necessary to aid
13 Hispanics in obtaining governmental services in order to promote the
14 health, safety and welfare of all the residents of this state.)) The
15 legislature believes that it is the duty of the state to improve the
16 well-being of Hispanics by enabling them to participate fully in all
17 fields of endeavor and assisting them in obtaining governmental
18 services. The legislature further finds that the development of public
19 policy and the delivery of governmental services to meet the special

1 needs of Hispanics can be improved by establishing a focal point in
2 state government for the interests of Hispanics. Therefore the
3 legislature deems it necessary to create a commission to carry out the
4 purposes of this chapter.

5 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.115.030 and 1987 c 249 s 3 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) The commission shall consist of eleven members of Hispanic
8 origin appointed by the governor. (~~The membership shall include:~~

9 ~~(a) Two members from workers in the agricultural field;~~

10 ~~(b) Three members from the general populace of Hispanics, but not~~
11 ~~of Mexican American origin;~~

12 ~~(c) One member from the field of education;~~

13 ~~(d) One member who is a professional from the business community,~~
14 ~~government employment, or public service;~~

15 ~~(e) One member from among elected trade union officials; and~~

16 ~~(f) Three members from the Mexican American community in the state.~~

17 ~~(2) Members shall serve for four year terms and until their~~
18 ~~successors are chosen and qualified.))~~ To the extent practicable,

19 appointments to the commission shall be made to achieve a balanced
20 representation based on the Hispanic population distribution within the

21 state, geographic considerations, sex, age, and occupation. Members
22 shall serve three-year terms. No member shall serve more than two full

23 consecutive terms. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the
24 original appointments.

25 (~~(3)~~) (2) Members shall receive reimbursement for travel expenses
26 incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with RCW
27 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 as now existing or hereafter amended.

28 (~~(4)~~) (3) Six members of the commission shall constitute a quorum
29 for the purpose of conducting business.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.115 RCW
31 to read as follows:

32 The commission shall have the following powers and duties:

33 (1) Examine and define issues pertaining to the rights and needs of
34 Hispanics, and make recommendations to the governor and state agencies
35 for changes in programs and laws.

1 (2) Advise the governor and state agencies on the development and
2 implementation of policies, plans, and programs that relate to the
3 special needs of Hispanics.

4 (3) Advise the legislature on issues of concern to the Hispanic
5 community.

6 (4) Establish relationships with state agencies, local governments,
7 and private sector organizations that promote equal opportunity and
8 benefits for Hispanics.

9 (5) Receive gifts, grants, and endowments from public or private
10 sources that are made for the use or benefit of the commission and
11 expend, without appropriation, the same or any income from the gifts,
12 grants, or endowments according to their terms.

13 **Sec. 4.** RCW 43.131.341 and 1987 c 249 s 8 are each amended to read
14 as follows:

15 The Washington state commission on Hispanic affairs and its powers
16 and duties shall be terminated on June 30, (~~(1996)~~) 2021, as provided
17 in RCW 43.131.342.

18 **Sec. 5.** RCW 43.131.342 and 1987 c 249 s 9 are each amended to read
19 as follows:

20 The following acts or parts of acts, as now existing or hereafter
21 amended, are each repealed, effective June 30, (~~(1997)~~) 2022:

22 (1) Section 1, chapter 34, Laws of 1971 ex. sess., section 1,
23 chapter 249, Laws of 1987, section 1, chapter . . . , Laws of 1993 and
24 RCW 43.115.010;

25 (2) Section 2, chapter 34, Laws of 1971 ex. sess., section 2,
26 chapter 249, Laws of 1987 and RCW 43.115.020;

27 (3) Section 3, chapter 34, Laws of 1971 ex. sess., section 130,
28 chapter 34, Laws of 1975-'76 2nd ex. sess., section 15, chapter 338,
29 Laws of 1981, section 3, chapter 249, Laws of 1987, section 2, chapter
30 . . . , Laws of 1993 and RCW 43.115.030;

31 (4) Section 4, chapter 34, Laws of 1971 ex. sess., section 4,
32 chapter 249, Laws of 1987 and RCW 43.115.040;

33 (~~Section 5, chapter 34, Laws of 1971 ex. sess., section 5,~~
34 ~~chapter 249, Laws of 1987 and RCW 43.115.050;~~

35 ~~(6))~~ Section 6, chapter 34, Laws of 1971 ex. sess., section 6,
36 chapter 249, Laws of 1987 and RCW 43.115.060; (~~and~~

1 ~~(7))~~ (6) Section 7, chapter 34, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW
2 43.115.900; and
3 (7) Section 3 of this act.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** RCW 43.115.050 and 1987 c 249 s 5 & 1971
5 ex.s. c 34 s 5 are each repealed.

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