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ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6420

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State of Washington

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By Senate Committee on Government Operations (originally sponsored by Senators Heavey, Roach, Oke, Finkbeiner and Hochstatter)

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1 AN ACT Relating to travel by public officers and employees; and  
2 adding a new section to chapter 42.04 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 42.04 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 First class and business class commercial air carrier  
7 accommodations may not be used by any state or local government  
8 officer, whether elected or appointed, and any state or local  
9 government employee who travels by commercial airlines in the discharge  
10 of the duties of his or her position or employment at public expense  
11 unless otherwise required as a reasonable accommodation for persons  
12 with disabilities or where an emergency would warrant such travel. An  
13 officer or employee of a local government may be authorized to travel  
14 by business or equivalent class in cases of international travel if (1)  
15 any single leg of the trip involves a commercial airline flight of at  
16 least ten hours duration, (2) the traveler engages in official business  
17 within twelve hours of arrival at the destination, and (3) business or  
18 equivalent class travel on the particular trip is expressly authorized

1 at a public meeting by the governing body of the local government for  
2 which the traveler is an officer or employee.

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