

2 **SB 5954** - S COMM AMD 506
3 By Senator Shin

4 ADOPTED 02/08/02

5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the use of the
8 term "Oriental" when used to refer to persons of Asian descent is
9 outdated and pejorative. There is a need to make clear that the term
10 "Asian" is preferred terminology, and that this more modern and
11 nonpejorative term must be used to replace outdated terminology.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 1.20 RCW
13 to read as follows:

14 (1) As of July 1, 2002, all state and local government statutes,
15 codes, rules, regulations, and other official documents are required to
16 use the term "Asian" when referring to persons of Asian descent. The
17 use of the term "Oriental" is prohibited.

18 (2) The legislature urges all state and local entities to review
19 their statutes, codes, rules, regulations, and other official documents
20 and revise them to omit the use of the term "Oriental" when referring
21 to persons of Asian descent.

22 **Sec. 3.** RCW 35.22.650 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 56 s 4 are each amended
23 to read as follows:

24 All contracts by and between a first class city and contractors for
25 any public work or improvement exceeding the sum of ten thousand
26 dollars, or fifteen thousand dollars for construction of water mains,
27 shall contain the following clause:

28 "Contractor agrees that ((he)) the contractor shall actively
29 solicit the employment of minority group members. Contractor further
30 agrees that ((he)) the contractor shall actively solicit bids for the
31 subcontracting of goods or services from qualified minority businesses.
32 Contractor shall furnish evidence of ((his)) the contractor's
33 compliance with these requirements of minority employment and
34 solicitation. Contractor further agrees to consider the grant of

1 subcontracts to said minority bidders on the basis of substantially
2 equal proposals in the light most favorable to said minority
3 businesses. The contractor shall be required to submit evidence of
4 compliance with this section as part of the bid."

5 As used in this section, the term "minority business" means a
6 business at least fifty-one percent of which is owned by minority group
7 members. Minority group members include, but are not limited to,
8 blacks, women, native Americans, (~~Oriental~~) Asians, Eskimos, Aleuts,
9 and Spanish Americans.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act takes effect July 1, 2002."

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14 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "terminology;" strike the
15 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 35.22.650; adding a new
16 section to chapter 1.20 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an
17 effective date."

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