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**SHB 1025** - H AMD TO H AMD (1025-S AMH \_\_\_\_ H2626.2)

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3 By Representatives Cantwell, Betrozoff, Haugen, Forner, Neher  
4 and Horn

5 On page 37 of the amendment, after line 13, insert:

6 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 17. ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING PILOT  
7 PROJECTS.

8 (1) The legislature intends to determine whether the  
9 environmental review process mandated under Chapter 43.21C RCW may  
10 be enhanced and simplified, and coordination improved, when applied  
11 to comprehensive plans mandated by this chapter. The department of  
12 ecology shall undertake pilot projects on environmental review to  
13 determine if the review process can be improved by fostering more  
14 coordination and eliminating duplicative environmental reviews  
15 through enhancing the nonproject environmental analysis which is  
16 made to assist decision makers approving comprehensive plans  
17 pursuant to this chapter. Such pilot projects should be designed  
18 and scoped to consider cumulative impacts resulting from plan  
19 decisions, plan impacts on environmental quality, impacts on  
20 adjacent jurisdictions, and similar factors in sufficient depth to  
21 simplify the analysis of subsequent specific projects being carried  
22 out pursuant to the approved plan.

23 (2) The legislature hereby authorizes the department of  
24 ecology to establish, in cooperation with at least four counties or  
25 cities, pilot projects on enhanced nonproject environmental

1 analysis of comprehensive plans for geographic subparts of such  
2 plans, prepared pursuant to this chapter, for the purposes outlined  
3 in subsection (1) of this section. The department of ecology may  
4 select appropriate subregions within a comprehensive plan if that  
5 will best serve the purposes of this section and meet the  
6 requirements of Chapter 43.21C RCW.

7 (3) An enhanced draft and final nonproject environmental  
8 analysis prepared pursuant to this section shall follow the rules  
9 adopted pursuant to chapter 43.21C RCW.

10 (4) Not later than December 31, 1993, the department shall  
11 evaluate the overall effectiveness of the pilot projects under this  
12 section regarding preparing enhanced nonproject environmental  
13 analysis for the approval process of comprehensive plans and shall:

14 (a) Provide a report of its findings to the legislature and  
15 the department of community development with such recommendations  
16 as may be appropriate, including the need, if any, for further  
17 legislation;

18 (b) Consider promulgation of any further regulations or  
19 guidelines as may be appropriate to assist counties and cities in  
20 meeting requirements of Chapter 43.21C RCW when considering  
21 comprehensive plans; and

22 (c) Prepare and circulate to counties and cities such  
23 instructional manuals or other information derived from the pilot  
24 projects as will assist all counties and cities in meeting the  
25 requirements and objectives of Chapter 43.21C RCW in the most  
26 expeditious and efficient manner in the process of considering

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1 comprehensive plans pursuant to this chapter."

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3           Renumber remaining sections consecutively and correct internal  
4 references accordingly.

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6           On page 111 of the amendment, line 17, after "13," insert  
7 "17,"

EFFECT: Establishes pilot projects on integrating SEPA into  
the comprehensive planning process.