
SENATE BILL 6373

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1 AN ACT Relating to the membership of the transportation improvement
2 board; reenacting and amending RCW 47.26.121; and providing an
3 effective date.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.26.121 and 1991 c 363 s 124 and 1991 c 308 s 1 are
6 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

7 (1) There is hereby created a transportation improvement board of
8 ((seventeen)) eighteen members, six of whom shall be county members and
9 six of whom shall be city members. The remaining members shall be:

10 (a) The assistant secretary of the department of transportation whose
11 primary responsibilities relate to planning and public transportation;

12 (b) the assistant secretary for highways of the department of
13 transportation; (c) the assistant secretary for local programs of the
14 department of transportation; (d) a representative of a public transit

1 system; ~~((and))~~ (e) a private sector representative; and (f) a citizen
2 member with (i) demonstrated community involvement, and (ii) training
3 and experience in transportation or land use planning.

4 (2) Of the county members of the board, one member shall be a
5 county engineer from a county with a population of one hundred twenty-
6 five thousand or more; one member shall be a county engineer from a
7 county with a population of less than one hundred twenty-five thousand;
8 one member shall be the executive director of the county road
9 administration board, created by RCW 36.78.060; two members shall be
10 county executives, council members, or commissioners from counties with
11 a population of one hundred twenty-five thousand or more; one member
12 shall be a county executive, council member, or commissioner from a
13 county with a population of less than one hundred twenty-five thousand.
14 All county members of the board, except the executive director of the
15 county road administration board, shall be appointed. Not more than
16 one county member of the board shall be from any one county. For the
17 purposes of this subsection, the term "county engineer" means the
18 director of public works in any county in which such a position exists.

19 (3) Of the city members of the board two shall be chief city
20 engineers, public works directors, or other city employees with
21 responsibility for public works activities, of cities over twenty
22 thousand population; one shall be a chief city engineer, public works
23 director, or other city employee with responsibility for public works
24 activities, of a city of less than twenty thousand population; two
25 shall be mayors, commissioners, or city council members of cities of
26 more than twenty thousand population; and one shall be a mayor,
27 commissioner, or council member of a city of less than twenty thousand
28 population. All of the city members shall be appointed. Not more than
29 one city member of the board shall be from any one city.

1 (4) The transit member shall be a general manager, executive
2 director, or transit director of a city-owned transit system, county
3 transportation authority, metropolitan municipal corporation, or public
4 transportation benefit area.

5 (5) The private sector member shall be a citizen with business,
6 management, and transportation related experience and shall be active
7 in a business community-based transportation organization.

8 (6) The citizen member shall have college training and professional
9 experience in transportation or land use planning, a demonstrated
10 interest in transportation issues, and involvement with community
11 groups or grass roots organizations.

12 (7) Appointments of county, city, transit, ((and)) private sector,
13 and citizen representatives shall be made by the secretary of the
14 department of transportation((, with appointments to be made by July 1,
15 1991)). Appointees shall be chosen from a list of two persons for each
16 position nominated by the Washington state association of counties for
17 county members, the association of Washington cities for city members,
18 and the Washington state transit association for the transit member.
19 The private sector and citizen members shall be sought through
20 classified advertisements in selected newspapers collectively serving
21 all urban areas of the state, and other appropriate means. Persons
22 applying for the private sector or the citizen member position must
23 provide a letter of interest and a resume to the secretary of the
24 department of transportation. In the case of a vacancy, the
25 appointment shall be only for the remainder of the unexpired term in
26 which the vacancy has occurred. A vacancy shall be deemed to have
27 occurred on the board when any member elected to public office
28 completes that term of office or is removed therefrom for any reason or
29 when any member employed by a political subdivision terminates such

1 employment for whatsoever reason or when a private sector or citizen
2 member resigns or is unable or unwilling to serve.

3 (~~(7)~~) (8) Appointments shall be for terms of four years. Terms
4 of all appointed members shall expire on June 30th of even-numbered
5 years.

6 (~~(8)~~) (9) The board shall elect a chair from among its members
7 for a two-year term.

8 (~~(9)~~) (10) Expenses of the board, including administration of the
9 transportation improvement program, shall be paid from the urban
10 arterial account.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act shall take effect July 1, 1992.