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3 By Committee on Trade, Economic Development & Housing

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

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) Economic development programs, which  
8 include work force training, industrial modernization, and export  
9 assistance, have become increasingly important to state efforts to  
10 encourage employment growth, increased state revenues, and general  
11 economic well-being. Economic trends are rapidly changing and markets  
12 have become increasingly competitive as states and countries seek to  
13 improve and safeguard their own economic well-being. The purpose of  
14 the executive-legislative committee on economic development policy is  
15 to provide responsive and consistent involvement by the executive  
16 branch and the legislature in economic development efforts to maintain  
17 a healthy state economy and to provide employment opportunities to  
18 Washington residents.

19 (2) There is created an executive-legislative committee on economic  
20 development policy which shall consist of the governor or the  
21 governor's representative, five members appointed by the governor, six  
22 senators, and six members of the house of representatives. Members  
23 shall be appointed for one-year terms.

24 (3) The governor's appointees to the committee shall include one  
25 representative of businesses with five hundred or fewer employees, one  
26 representative of businesses with greater than five hundred employees,  
27 and two representatives of labor, and may include state agency  
28 directors or their representatives.

29 (4) The senate members of the committee shall be appointed by the  
30 president of the senate and the house members of the committee shall be  
31 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. Not more  
32 than three members from each house shall be from the same political  
33 party.

34 (5) The committee shall have three co-chairs: (a) The governor or  
35 the governor's representative, (b) a senator appointed from the  
36 majority caucus by the president of the senate, and (c) a house member

1 appointed from the majority party by the speaker of the house of  
2 representatives.

3 (6) A list of appointees shall be submitted by June 1, 1994, and  
4 thereafter before the close of each regular legislative session or any  
5 successive special session for confirmation of senate members by the  
6 senate, and confirmation of house members by the house of  
7 representatives. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointing  
8 authority.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The committee shall by majority vote  
10 establish subcommittees, and prescribe rules of procedure which are  
11 consistent with this chapter for itself and its subcommittees. The  
12 committee shall be convened within ninety days of the end of each  
13 regular legislative session to establish its work plan and meeting  
14 dates for the year. The committee may invite nonmembers of the  
15 committee to serve as subcommittee members, but such subcommittee  
16 members shall not receive the reimbursement provided for by section 5  
17 of this act.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) The committee or its subcommittees are  
19 authorized to:

20 (a) Study and review economic development issues, including work  
21 force training, industrial modernization, technology diffusion,  
22 sustainable development, export assistance, tourism, investment, and  
23 entrepreneurial development; and to assist the governor and the  
24 legislature in developing comprehensive and consistent economic  
25 development policies.

26 (b) Develop, in conjunction with the department of community,  
27 trade, and economic development and other state agencies, a strategic  
28 plan with implementation steps and evaluation criteria for state-  
29 supported economic development activities in the state.

30 (c) Monitor the economic development efforts which address issues  
31 specified in this section of the department of community, trade, and  
32 economic development, and other state agencies.

33 (2) The committee's work may include but is not limited to:

34 (a) Evaluating existing state policies, laws, and programs which  
35 promote or affect economic development and determine their cost-  
36 effectiveness, level of cooperation with other public and private  
37 agencies, and consistency with sustainable development precepts;

1 (b) Monitoring economic trends, and developing for review by the  
2 governor and the legislature such appropriate state responses as may be  
3 deemed effective and appropriate;

4 (c) Monitoring economic development policies and programs of other  
5 states and nations and evaluating their effectiveness;

6 (d) Determining the economic impact of various business or  
7 industrial sectors upon the state's economy;

8 (e) Assessing the need for and effect of federal, regional, and  
9 state cooperation in economic development policies and programs; and

10 (f) Developing and evaluating legislative proposals and  
11 administrative initiatives and plans concerning the issues specified in  
12 this section.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The committee shall receive the necessary  
14 staff support from the staff resources of the governor, the senate, and  
15 the house of representatives.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The members of the committee shall serve  
17 without additional compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their  
18 travel expenses, in accordance with RCW 44.04.120 for members of the  
19 legislature or by the office of the governor under RCW 43.03.050 and  
20 43.03.060 for the governor's appointees, incurred while attending  
21 sessions of the committee or meetings of any subcommittee of the  
22 committee, while engaged on other committee business authorized by the  
23 committee, and while going to and coming from committee sessions or  
24 committee meetings.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** The committee shall cooperate, act, and work  
26 with legislative committees, executive agencies, representatives of the  
27 private sector and the nonprofit sector with an interest in economic  
28 development, and with the councils or committees of other states  
29 similar to this committee and with other interstate research or policy  
30 organizations.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** The following acts or parts of acts are each  
32 repealed:

33 (1) RCW 44.52.010 and 1985 c 467 s 17;

34 (2) RCW 44.52.020 and 1985 c 467 s 18;

35 (3) RCW 44.52.030 and 1985 c 467 s 19;

- 1 (4) RCW 44.52.040 and 1985 c 467 s 20;  
2 (5) RCW 44.52.050 and 1985 c 467 s 21;  
3 (6) RCW 44.52.060 and 1985 c 467 s 22; and  
4 (7) RCW 44.52.070 and 1985 c 467 s 23.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** Sections 1 through 6 of this act are each  
6 added to chapter 44.52 RCW.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** A new section is added to chapter 43.131 RCW  
8 to read as follows:

9 The executive-legislative committee on economic development policy  
10 and its powers and duties shall be terminated on June 30, 1996, as  
11 provided in section 10 of this act.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** A new section is added to chapter 43.131  
13 RCW to read as follows:

14 The following acts or parts of acts as now existing or hereafter  
15 amended are each repealed, effective June 30, 1997:

- 16 (1) Section 1 of this act;  
17 (2) Section 2 of this act;  
18 (3) Section 3 of this act;  
19 (4) Section 4 of this act;  
20 (5) Section 5 of this act; and  
21 (6) Section 6 of this act.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** If any provision of this act or its  
23 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
24 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
25 persons or circumstances is not affected.

26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
27 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
28 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
29 effect April 1, 1994."

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