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1 AN ACT Relating to purchase and delivery of government services;
2 and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The competitive strategies task force is
5 established for the purposes of developing strategies for reducing the
6 cost of government services or other public sector activities;
7 improving the quality of services, without increasing costs, that
8 citizens require; and, minimizing the role of government where market
9 competition is able to achieve the social good without significant
10 government interference.

11 (2) The task force shall be composed of the following fifteen
12 members: The executive director of the commission for efficiency and
13 accountability in government or his or her designee, who shall serve as
14 chair; the governor or the governor's designee; the director of the
15 department of general administration or his or her designee; a
16 representative from each caucus of the house of representatives to be
17 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; a
18 representative from each caucus of the senate to be appointed by the
19 president of the senate; a representative from a major state-wide

1 public employee union; two representatives from major state-wide
2 private sector unions; three representatives from a major state-wide
3 business organization that represents a cross section of private sector
4 industry; and, two representatives from the general public.

5 (3) The task force shall:

6 (a) Perform a thorough review and inventory of all state services
7 and other activities of state government.

8 (b) Identify various arrangements that the state government might
9 implement as alternative methods to the purchase or delivery of
10 necessary services including but not limited to the transfer of
11 facility operation to a private sector management company; cooperative
12 public-private finance and development plans, joint public-private
13 operation of existing facilities, infrastructure and services; sale or
14 lease of government-owned real estate assets; transfer of selected
15 services to the private sector; sale or recapitalization of government-
16 owned companies; enhancement of cash management and debt restructuring;
17 restructuring government organizations and management; use of leases
18 and lease purchase arrangements for facilities and infrastructure;
19 voucher-based programs; and intergovernmental agreements.

20 (c) Consider incentives to encourage the active use of the
21 arrangements identified under (b) of this subsection by state agencies,
22 departments, and institutions.

23 (d) Develop comprehensive guidelines or procedures for the
24 implementation of arrangements identified under (b) of this subsection
25 that ensure satisfactory accountability measures and protection of the
26 public interest.

27 (e) Investigate efforts made by other states and nations to arrange
28 for the use of competitive strategies.

29 (f) Report its final findings and recommendations to the
30 legislature no later than December 15, 1993, including any legislation
31 the task force finds necessary for the implementation of the findings
32 and recommendations.

33 (4) The office of financial management shall provide the necessary
34 staff support for the purposes of the task force.

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