

2 **SB 5991** - H COMM AMD **ADOPTED 4-14-97**
3 By Committee on Government Administration

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

7 "Sec. 1. RCW 43.330.140 and 1994 c 306 s 1 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The Washington quality award council shall be organized as a
10 ~~((part of the))~~ private, nonprofit corporation ~~((quality for Washington~~
11 ~~state foundation, with the assistance of the department))~~, in
12 accordance with chapter 24.03 RCW and this section, with limited staff
13 assistance by the secretary of state as provided by section 2 of this
14 act.

15 ~~((1))~~ (2) The council shall oversee the governor's Washington
16 state quality achievement award program. The purpose of the program is
17 to improve the overall competitiveness of the state's economy by
18 stimulating Washington state industries, business, and organizations to
19 bring about measurable success through setting standards of
20 organizational excellence, encouraging organizational self-assessment,
21 identifying successful organizations as role models, and providing a
22 valuable mechanism for promoting and strengthening a commitment to
23 continuous quality improvement in all sectors of the state's economy.
24 The program shall annually recognize organizations that improve the
25 quality of their products and services and are noteworthy examples of
26 high-performing work organizations.

27 ~~((2))~~ (3) The council shall consist of the governor and the
28 ~~((director))~~ secretary of state, or their designees, as chair and vice-
29 chair, respectively, ((and)) the director of the department of
30 community, trade, and economic development, or his or her designee, and
31 twenty-seven members appointed by the governor. Those twenty-seven
32 council members must be selected from recognized professionals who
33 shall have backgrounds in or experience with effective quality
34 improvement techniques, employee involvement quality of work life
35 initiatives, ((and)) development of innovative labor-management
36 relations, and other recognized leaders in state and local government

1 and private business. The ((initial)) membership of the board beyond
2 the chair and vice-chair shall be appointed by the governor ((from a
3 list of nominees submitted by the quality for Washington state
4 foundation. The list of nominees shall include representatives from
5 the governor's small business improvement council, the Washington state
6 efficiency commission, the Washington state productivity board, the
7 Washington state service quality network, the association for quality
8 and participation, the American society for quality control, business
9 and labor associations, educational institutions, elected officials,
10 and representatives from former recipients of international, national,
11 or state quality awards)) for terms of three years.

12 ((+3)) (4) The council shall establish a board of examiners, a
13 recognition committee, and such other subcouncil groups as it deems
14 appropriate to carry out its responsibilities. Subcouncil groups
15 established by the council may be composed of noncouncilmembers.

16 ((4) The council shall receive its administrative support and
17 operational expenses from the quality for Washington state
18 foundation.))

19 (5) The council shall((, in conjunction with the quality for
20 Washington state foundation,)) compile a list of resources available
21 for organizations interested in productivity improvement, quality
22 techniques, effective methods of work organization, and upgrading work
23 force skills as a part of the quality for Washington state foundation's
24 ongoing educational programs. The council shall make the list of
25 resources available to the general public((, including labor, business,
26 nonprofit and public agencies, and the department)).

27 (6) The council((, in conjunction with the quality for Washington
28 state foundation,)) may conduct such public information, research,
29 education, and assistance programs as it deems appropriate to further
30 quality improvement in organizations operating in the state of
31 Washington.

32 (7) The council shall:

- 33 (a) Approve and announce achievement award recipients;
- 34 (b) Approve guidelines to examine applicant organizations;
- 35 (c) Approve appointment of judges and examiners;
- 36 (d) Arrange appropriate annual awards and recognition for
37 recipients, in conjunction with the quality for Washington state
38 foundation;

1 (e) Formulate recommendations for change in the nomination form or
2 award categories, in cooperation with the quality for Washington state
3 foundation; and

4 (f) Review any related education, training, technology transfer,
5 and research initiatives proposed (~~(by the quality for Washington state~~
6 ~~foundation)) to it, and that it determines merits such a review.~~

7 (8) By January 1st of each even-numbered year, the council shall
8 report to the governor and the appropriate committees of the
9 legislature on its activities in the proceeding two years and on any
10 recommendations in state policies or programs that could encourage
11 quality improvement and the development of high-performance work
12 organizations.

13 (9) The council shall cease to exist on July 1, (~~(2004))~~ 1999,
14 unless otherwise extended by law.

15 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 43.07 RCW
16 to read as follows:

17 (1) The secretary of state shall provide administrative assistance
18 and support to the Washington quality award council only to the extent
19 that the legislature appropriates funds specifically designated for
20 this purpose. The secretary of state has no duty to provide assistance
21 or support except to the extent specifically provided by appropriation.

22 (2) The Washington quality award council may develop private
23 sources of funding, including the establishment of a private
24 foundation. Except as provided in subsection (1) of this section, the
25 council shall receive all administrative support and expenses through
26 private sources of funding and arrangements with a private foundation.
27 Public funds shall not be used to purchase awards, be distributed as
28 awards, or be utilized for any expenses of the board of examiners,
29 recognition committee, and such other subcouncil groups as the council
30 may establish. Public funds shall not be used to pay overtime or
31 travel expenses of secretary of state staff, for purposes related to
32 the council, unless funded by specific appropriation.

33 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. RCW 43.330.140 is recodified as a section in
34 chapter 43.07 RCW."

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