

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Olympia Washington

**BilAnalysis**

**BilNo. HB 1174**

**Extending es thanco-wide port dists**  
**Brief title**

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**Reps. Koster/Dunn/McMorris**  
**Sponsor**

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**BACKGROUND:**

Port districts may take up an entire county or may be less than county-wide. Port districts are authorized for the purposes of acquisition, construction, maintenance, operation, development and regulation of harbor, rail, air or motor vehicle transfer and terminal facilities, as well as for industrial and commercial development.

Less than county-wide port districts were authorized by the Legislature in 1992. Any such proposed port district must have an assessed value of at least \$75 million. Authorization for less than county-wide port districts is set to expire on July 1, 1997.

**SUMMARY**

The expiration date for the creation of less than county-wide port districts is removed. Less than county-wide port districts may continue to be created after that date.

**FISCAL NOTE: Not Requested.**

**EFFECTIVE DATE: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.**