
SENATE BILL 6499

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By Senators Horn, Benton and Oke

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1 AN ACT Relating to a plan for consolidation of the county road
2 administration board, the transportation improvement board, and the
3 transaid division; and creating new sections.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature approved an appropriation
6 for evaluation of the services provided by the transportation
7 improvement board, the county road administration board, and the
8 transaid division with the department of transportation in chapter 457,
9 Laws of 1997, transportation appropriations and funding. The
10 evaluation concluded that there are potential savings associated with
11 consolidation, mainly through combining of administrative functions.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The executive director of the transportation
13 improvement board, the director of the county road administration
14 board, and the assistant secretary of the transaid service center
15 within the department of transportation, along with the secretary of
16 transportation, the chair of the transportation improvement board, the
17 chair of the county road administration board, the chair of the
18 transportation commission, the director of the office of financial

1 management, the chair of the senate transportation committee, and the
2 chair of the house transportation policy and budget committee, or their
3 designees shall submit to the legislative transportation committee and
4 the office of financial management, by December 1, 1998, a plan and
5 time schedule to consolidate the county road administration board, the
6 transportation improvement board, and the transaid division.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The plan must attempt to achieve the savings
8 identified in the local government assistance study delivered to the
9 budget development working group of the legislative transportation
10 committee in January 1998, except the plan may use up to thirty percent
11 of the savings to increase technical assistance above current levels.
12 Elements of the plan must include but not be limited to:

13 (1) Whether the consolidation will occur within an existing agency
14 or as a separate agency;

15 (2) Whether the consolidated organization will be governed by a new
16 or existing board or commission or another option. If the plan
17 proposes a new board, it must include a process for the appointment,
18 terms of office, and compensation of board members. The plan must also
19 include a process for appointment of an executive director;

20 (3) An organization chart;

21 (4) Identification of new activities, ongoing activities, and
22 activities that will no longer continue;

23 (5) Space requirements;

24 (6) An accounts and program structure; and

25 (7) A transition process and costs associated with the transition.

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