

2 **SHB 2392** - S COMM AMD

3 By Committee on State & Local Government

4 ADOPTED 3/1/00

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

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that while government  
8 services are provided to the citizens of the state of Washington  
9 through many mechanisms, the most prevalent delivery of services occurs  
10 through city, county, or state government actions. Increased demand  
11 for these services and limited revenue to meet those services have led  
12 to unproductive competition between cities, counties, and the state for  
13 the revenue that is collected and shared between cities, counties, and  
14 the state.

15 Therefore, the legislature finds that there is a need to evaluate  
16 the delivery of government services, the allotment of revenues, and the  
17 collection and distribution of various fines and forfeitures through  
18 the establishment of a joint task force on local governments.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The joint task force on local  
20 governments is created, to consist of seventeen members including:

21 (a) The following four members of the house of representatives or  
22 their designees: (i) The chair and ranking minority member or the  
23 cochairs of the committee on appropriations; and (ii) the chair and  
24 ranking minority member or the cochairs of the committee on local  
25 government;

26 (b) The following four members of the senate or their designees:  
27 (i) The chair and the ranking minority member of the committee on ways  
28 and means; and (ii) the chair and ranking minority member of the  
29 committee on state and local government;

30 (c) One member from the office of the governor;

31 (d) Four members from the association of Washington cities;

32 (e) Two members from the Washington state association of counties;  
33 and

34 (f) Two members from the Washington association of county  
35 officials.

1 (2) The nonlegislative members of the task force shall serve  
2 without compensation, but will be reimbursed for travel expenses as  
3 provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. Legislative members of the  
4 task force will be reimbursed for travel expenses as provided in RCW  
5 44.04.120. The staff of senate committee services and the office of  
6 program research of the house of representatives shall provide support  
7 to the task force.

8 (3) The task force must be cochaired by one senator, chosen by the  
9 task force, and one state representative, chosen by the task force,  
10 from opposite political parties. The cochairs shall appoint experts  
11 and advisors as nonvoting members of the task force to provide  
12 information on various subjects, including but not limited to special  
13 purpose districts and public employee unions. The task force shall  
14 establish rules of procedure at its first meeting.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The joint task force on local governments  
16 shall:

17 (1) Complete a thorough study of the delivery of government  
18 services, allotment of revenues, and collection and distribution of  
19 various fines and forfeitures; and

20 (2) Commence the study by July 1, 2000, present an interim report  
21 of its findings and any recommendations to the legislature by January  
22 30, 2001, and present a final report, including proposed legislation,  
23 addressing its recommendations to the legislature by January 1, 2002.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act expires March 30, 2002."

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28 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "services;" strike the  
29 remainder of the title and insert "creating new sections; and providing  
30 an expiration date."

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