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HOUSE BILL 1926

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1            AN ACT Relating to appeals of growth management hearings board  
2 decisions; adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW; and creating a  
3 new section.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 36.70A RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7            (1) If the board finds that a county or city is in compliance as  
8 provided in RCW 36.70A.300 or 36.70A.330(2), a county or city may  
9 request assistance with the defense of any subsequent appeals of the  
10 board's decision. If the board's decision is appealed under RCW  
11 36.70A.300(5), the county or city found in compliance may request that  
12 the office of the attorney general:

13            (a) Defend the county or city in any or all appeal proceedings at  
14 no cost to the county or city;

15            (b) Assist in the county's or city's defense in any or all appeal  
16 proceedings at no cost to the county or city; or

17            (c) Reimburse the county or city for the defense costs of any or  
18 all appeal proceedings at the billing rate for an attorney general.

1       (2) This section applies only to appeals or the portion of an  
2 appeal related to a board's finding of compliance. If an appeal  
3 involves issues other than a board's finding of compliance, the county  
4 or city may request assistance under subsection (1) of this section  
5 only for the portion of the appeal related to a board's finding of  
6 compliance.

7       NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of this  
8 act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by  
9 June 30, 1999, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and  
10 void.

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