
HOUSE BILL 2170

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1 AN ACT Relating to membership of the Puget Sound council; and
2 amending RCW 90.71.030.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 90.71.030 and 1996 c 138 s 4 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) There is established the Puget Sound council composed of
7 ~~((nine))~~ eleven members. Seven members shall be appointed by the
8 governor. In making these appointments, the governor shall include
9 representation from business, the environmental community, agriculture,
10 the shellfish industry, counties, cities, and the tribes. ~~((One))~~ Two
11 members shall be ~~((a))~~ members of the senate, one from each major
12 caucus, selected by the president of the senate and ~~((one))~~ two members
13 shall be ~~((a))~~ members of the house of representatives, one from each
14 major caucus, selected by the speaker of the house of representatives.
15 The legislative members shall be nonvoting members of the council.
16 Appointments to the council shall reflect geographical balance and the
17 diversity of population within the Puget Sound basin. Members shall
18 serve four-year terms. Of the initial members appointed to the
19 council, two shall serve for two years, two shall serve for three

1 years, and two shall serve for four years. Thereafter members shall be
2 appointed to four-year terms. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment
3 in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the
4 unexpired term of the position being vacated. Nonlegislative members
5 shall be reimbursed for travel expenses as provided in RCW 43.03.050
6 and 43.03.060. Legislative members shall be reimbursed as provided in
7 RCW 44.04.120.

8 (2) The council shall:

9 (a) Recommend to the action team projects and activities for
10 inclusion in the biennial work plan;

11 (b) Recommend to the action team coordination of work plan
12 activities with other relevant activities, including but not limited
13 to, agencies' activities other than those funded through the plan,
14 local plan initiatives, and governmental and nongovernmental watershed
15 restoration and protection activities; and

16 (c) Recommend to the action team proposed amendments to the Puget
17 Sound management plan.

18 (3) The chair of the action team shall convene the council at least
19 four times per year and shall jointly convene the council and the
20 action team at least two times per year.

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