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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Thomas, Dunshee and Santos; by request of Department of Revenue)

Brief Description: Authorizing the governor to enter into cooperative agreements concerning the sales of cigarettes.

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(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/22/00)

Declares an intent to further the government-to-government relationship between the state of Washington and Indians in the state of Washington by authorizing the governor to enter into cooperative agreements concerning the sale of cigarettes.

Finds that these agreements will provide a means to promote economic development, provide needed revenues for tribal governments and Indian persons, and enhance enforcement of the state's cigarette tax law, ultimately saving the state money and reducing conflict.

Authorizes the governor to enter into cooperative agreements with the Squaxin Island Tribe, the Nisqually Tribe, Tulalip Tribes, and the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe. Each agreement adopted under this section shall provide that the tribal cigarette tax rate be one hundred percent of the state cigarette and state and local sales and use taxes within three years of enacting the tribal tax and shall be set no lower than eighty percent of the state cigarette and state and local sales and use taxes during the three-year phase-in period.

Repeals RCW 82.24.070.