
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6495

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By Senate Committee on State & Local Government (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, Thibaudeau, Long and McCaslin)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the joint funding of municipal projects by
2 public agencies; adding a new section to chapter 39.34 RCW; and
3 creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the legislature to
6 encourage cooperation between and among public agencies to stimulate
7 economic development. The joint investment of funds by these agencies
8 in public infrastructure of local and regional significance can induce
9 private investment and stimulate economic activity that will produce
10 tax revenues to these agencies. It is not necessary for a public
11 agency to be authorized to perform a particular governmental service,
12 activity, or undertaking for it to benefit from its public
13 infrastructure funding of the service, activity, or undertaking
14 performed by another public agency.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 39.34 RCW
16 to read as follows:

17 Any one or more public agencies may contract with any one or more
18 other public agencies for the performance of a government service,

1 activity, or undertaking involving public infrastructure of local and
2 regional significance that the contracting party which is to perform
3 the service, activity, or undertaking is authorized by law to perform,
4 as long as the contract is in writing and approved by the governing
5 body of each party. The contract must (1) contain a finding that any
6 public agency contributing funds pursuant to the public infrastructure
7 contract, but not authorized to perform the undertaking itself, is
8 reasonably likely to recover its investment through the collection of
9 taxes resulting from the economic activity expected to occur from the
10 public investment; and (2) set forth fully the purposes, powers,
11 rights, objectives, and responsibilities of the contracting parties.

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