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Brief Description: Establishing a program to promote economic revitalization.

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Creates the Washington main street program within the department. In order to implement the Washington main street program, the department shall: (1) Provide technical assistance to businesses, property owners, organizations, and local governments undertaking a comprehensive downtown and neighborhood commercial district revitalization and management strategy within a specified area;

(2) To the extent funds are made available, provide financial assistance to local governments or local organizations to assist in initial program start-up costs, specific project feasibility studies, market studies, and design assistance;

(3) Develop objective criteria for selecting recipients of financial assistance under this act and providing designation of local programs under this act;

(4) Operate the Washington main street program in accordance with the plan developed by the department, in consultation with the Washington main street advisory committee created under this act; and

(5) Consider other factors the department deems necessary for the implementation of this act.