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By Representatives Miloscia, Haigh, McDermott, Wallace, Chase,  
Linville and Rockefeller

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1            AN ACT Relating to the Washington quality award council; and  
2 amending RCW 43.06.335.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.06.335 and 2000 c 216 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) The Washington quality award council shall be organized as a  
7 private, nonprofit corporation, in accordance with chapter 24.03 RCW  
8 and this section.

9            (2) The council shall oversee the governor's Washington state  
10 quality award program. The purpose of the program is to improve the  
11 overall competitiveness of the state's economy by stimulating  
12 Washington state industries, business, and organizations to bring about  
13 measurable success through setting standards of organizational  
14 excellence, encouraging organizational self-assessment, identifying  
15 successful organizations as role models, and providing a valuable  
16 mechanism for promoting and strengthening a commitment to continuous  
17 quality improvement in all sectors of the state's economy. The  
18 governor shall annually present the award to organizations that improve

1 the quality of their products and services and are noteworthy examples  
2 of high-performing work organizations, as determined by the council in  
3 consultation with the governor or appointed representative.

4 (3) The governor shall appoint a representative to serve on the  
5 board of directors of the council.

6 (4) The council shall establish a board of examiners, a recognition  
7 committee, and such other committees or subgroups as it deems  
8 appropriate to carry out its responsibilities.

9 (5) The council may conduct such public information, research,  
10 education, and assistance programs as it deems appropriate to further  
11 quality improvement in organizations operating in the state of  
12 Washington.

13 (6) The council shall:

14 (a) Approve and announce award recipients;

15 (b) Approve guidelines to examine applicant organizations;

16 (c) Approve appointment of board of examiners; and

17 (d) Arrange appropriate annual awards and recognition for  
18 recipients.

19 ~~((7) The council shall cease to exist on July 1, 2004, unless  
20 otherwise extended by law.))~~

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