
HOUSE BILL 3056

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a task force to examine state
2 regulation of state and federal military training grounds; creating new
3 sections; and providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that state and local
6 regulation of the use of land used by state and federal military
7 organizations for training grounds can jeopardize the military's
8 primary mission of defending our homeland. State regulation can
9 interfere with military training and can reduce the efficiency of such
10 training. The legislature intends to create a task force that would
11 examine how state and local land use regulation affects military
12 training, and to recommend solutions when such regulation is found to
13 interfere with such training.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The military training land use task
15 force is hereby created. The task force shall consist of thirteen
16 members. Seven members shall be appointed by the commanding officers
17 of the following United States military bases, with each commander
18 appointing one member: (a) Whidbey Island naval air station; (b)

1 McChord air force base; (c) Fairchild air force base; (d) Fort Lewis;
2 (e) Bremerton naval station; (f) Everett naval station; and (g) Bangor
3 naval submarine base. Two members shall be appointed by the adjutant
4 general of the Washington national guard, with the advice of the
5 commander of the Washington army national guard and the commander of
6 the Washington air national guard. One member shall be appointed by
7 the director of the department of ecology. One member shall be
8 appointed by the director of the department of fish and wildlife. One
9 member shall be appointed by the association of Washington cities. One
10 member shall be appointed by the Washington state association of
11 counties.

12 (2) Members of the military training land use task force will not
13 be compensated but will receive reimbursement for travel expenses in
14 accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. Members of the task force
15 shall be considered members of a committee for purposes of RCW
16 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

17 (3) The staff of the adjutant general of the Washington national
18 guard shall provide administrative and clerical assistance to the
19 committee within existing resources.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The military training land use task force
21 shall meet at times and locations determined by the task force. At the
22 first meeting, the task force shall select a chair, who will preside
23 over meetings. The task force shall examine state and local land use
24 and environmental regulation of land used for training purposes by
25 federal and state military organizations in Washington state. The
26 committee shall determine whether such regulations are impeding
27 military training, or increasing the expense of military training, or
28 increasing the expense of maintaining military training facilities.
29 The committee shall report to the legislature by December 31, 2004, on
30 the committee's findings and on suggested legislative solutions.
31 Committee findings and recommendations shall be made by majority vote,
32 although a minority report may be included in the report to the
33 legislature. The report to the legislature may be submitted in
34 electronic form by e-mailing the report to the appropriate house of
35 representatives and senate committees, which shall post the report on
36 the house of representatives and senate committee web pages. The house

1 of representatives and senate committees shall distribute copies to
2 members of the public either electronically or in print upon request.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act expires January 1, 2005.

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