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By House Committee on State Government Operations & Accountability
(originally sponsored by Representatives Hunt, Jarrett, Morrell,
McDonald, Pettigrew, Hasegawa, Eickmeyer, Clibborn, Simpson and Ericks)

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1 AN ACT Relating to alternative public works contracting procedures;
2 and adding a new section to chapter 39.10 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 39.10 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) There is established an independent oversight committee to
7 monitor and evaluate the use of traditional and alternative public
8 works contracting procedures; and to evaluate the potential future use
9 of other alternative contracting procedures. The committee will also
10 provide a forum in which best practices and areas of concern regarding
11 alternative public works contracting can be discussed.

12 (2) The membership of the oversight committee shall include: Two
13 members of the house of representatives, one from each major caucus,
14 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; two members
15 of the senate, one from each major caucus, appointed by the president
16 of the senate; representatives from the appropriate segments of the
17 construction, contracting, subcontracting, and design industries,
18 appointed by the governor; representatives from appropriate labor
19 organizations, appointed by the governor; representatives from public

1 bodies authorized to use the alternative public works contracting
2 procedures under this chapter, appointed by the governor; a
3 representative from a local government authorized to use alternative
4 public works contracting methods, appointed by the governor; a
5 representative from the office of minority and women's business
6 enterprises, appointed by the governor; and a representative from the
7 office of financial management, appointed by the governor. The
8 governor shall maintain a balance between representatives from public
9 agencies and the private sector when appointing members to the
10 committee, and shall consider the recommendations of the established
11 organizations representing the construction, contracting,
12 subcontracting, and design industries and organized labor in making the
13 industry and labor appointments.

14 (3) The committee shall meet at least quarterly, beginning after
15 July 1, 2005. A chair or cochair shall be selected from among the
16 committee membership. Staff support for the committee shall be
17 provided by the office of financial management.

18 (4) A primary goal of the committee is to ensure that consistent,
19 reliable, and standardized project information is gathered and used to
20 analyze the impact of contracting policies on the outcome of major
21 public works projects. The oversight committee shall, in consultation
22 with the office of financial management, develop standardized statewide
23 performance indicators and benchmarks for all major public works
24 projects. These measures should, at a minimum, allow basic comparisons
25 of project performance by type, scope, cost, schedule, quality, and
26 contracting procedure. To avoid unnecessary duplication, use of these
27 indicators and benchmarks should be incorporated into, or derived from,
28 existing state and local agency reports to the greatest extent
29 possible.

30 (5) Public bodies using the alternative contracting procedures
31 authorized under this chapter shall provide any requested information
32 concerning implementation of projects under this chapter to the
33 committee in a timely manner, excepting any trade secrets or
34 proprietary information.

35 (6) Beginning on December 10, 2005, and each year thereafter, the
36 committee shall report to the appropriate standing committees on the

1 use of alternative public works contracting methods.

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