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By Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Kastama and Kline)

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1 WHEREAS, The climate and geology of the state of Washington create 2 two distinct regions defined by their location east or west of the 3 Cascade Mountains; and

WHEREAS, A distinct regional character reflects the social, political, and economic history of each; and

WHEREAS, A shared history as the state of Washington unites the regions for the fulfillment of common goals and local needs; and

WHEREAS, Such common goals and local needs throughout the state are the concern of the legislature, and the legislature desires to inform itself as well as possible regarding them; and

WHEREAS, The legislature desires to maintain an environment of mutual respect and lively discourse between all members of the legislature and citizens of the state; and

WHEREAS, The legislature desires to make itself accessible to citizens for whom the location of the state capital makes access to the legislature more difficult;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Senate of the state of Washington, the House of Representatives concurring, That the legislative assembly in September 2006 occur at a location east of the Cascade Mountains; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives work jointly and according to the administrative processes of each body to determine a location and within existing appropriations make the necessary arrangements for a September 2006 legislative assembly at a location east of the Cascade Mountains.

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