

**HB 2584-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes a blue ribbon growth management needs and priorities task force to provide the governor and the legislature with an analysis of how the growth management act has worked in meeting the goals and requirements set forth in chapter 36.70A RCW and to provide recommendations on how it can be improved to ensure meeting those goals.

Requires the task force to convene its first meeting no later than June 1, 2006, and shall choose two cochairs from among its legislative membership. The task force shall submit an interim report to the governor and legislature not later than November 1, 2006, which shall contain, at minimum, the findings to date of the independent fact-finder. The task force shall submit its final report and recommendations for legislative changes, if any, to the governor and the legislature not later than December 1, 2007.

Requires the task force to retain the services of an independent fact-finder for the purpose of gathering, analyzing, and reporting information on the positive and controversial aspects of implementing the growth management act.