

HB 2797 - DIGEST

Requires the Washington State University energy program to conduct a study to create a Washington state energy efficiency program road map. The study must: (1) Evaluate the state's current efforts with respect to energy efficiency and conservation;

(2) Evaluate the state's role in regional efforts to improve energy efficiency and conservation;

(3) Evaluate the effectiveness of other jurisdictions with established programs for funding energy efficiency and conservation;

(4) Evaluate methods for funding energy efficiency and conservation;

(5) Identify areas where the state needs to increase energy efficiency and conservation;

(6) Identify areas where the state could establish, expand, or fund efforts related to energy efficiency and conservation;

(7) Identify methods and create recommended strategies to fund energy efficiency and conservation in areas where increased efforts are needed; and

(8) Create the Washington state energy efficiency program road map containing recommended steps to be taken by the state, local governments, the Washington State University energy program, and other interested parties to establish, fund, and expand energy efficiency and conservation.

Requires the Washington State University energy program to report results and provide the Washington state energy efficiency program road map to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 31, 2007.