

SB 5186 - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Declares an intent to promote policy and planning efforts that increase access to inexpensive or free opportunities for regular exercise in all communities around the state.

Provides that, when reviewing competing requests from counties, cities, or towns planning under RCW 36.70A.040, a state agency considering awarding grants or loans for public facilities shall also accord additional preference to those counties, cities, or towns that have: (1) Developed model policies to increase access to public facilities for physical activity;

(2) Utilized urban planning approaches that promote physical activity;

(3) Incorporated transportation policy and infrastructure changes to promote nonmotorized transit; and

(4) Enhanced safety and perceived safety to improve community access to walking and biking.