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By Representatives White, Kenney, Wallace, Orwall, Carlyle, Anderson, Sells, Chase, and Sullivan; by request of Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board

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1 AN ACT Relating to changing the timeline for the state
2 comprehensive plan for workforce training and education; and amending
3 RCW 28C.18.080.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28C.18.080 and 1997 c 369 s 5 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) (~~The state comprehensive plan for workforce training and~~
8 ~~education shall be updated every two years and presented to the~~
9 ~~governor and the appropriate legislative policy committees.)) The board
10 shall develop a state comprehensive plan for workforce training and
11 education for a ten-year time period. The board shall submit the ten-
12 year state comprehensive plan to the governor and the appropriate
13 legislative policy committees. Every four years by December 1st,
14 beginning December 1, 2012, the board shall submit an update of the
15 ten-year state comprehensive plan for workforce training and education
16 to the governor and the appropriate legislative policy committees.
17 Following public hearings, the legislature shall, by concurrent
18 resolution, approve or recommend changes to the initial plan and the~~

1 updates. The plan shall then become the state's workforce training
2 policy unless legislation is enacted to alter the policies set forth in
3 the plan.

4 (2) The comprehensive plan shall include workforce training role
5 and mission statements for the workforce development programs of
6 operating agencies represented on the board and sufficient specificity
7 regarding expected actions by the operating agencies to allow them to
8 carry out actions consistent with the comprehensive plan.

9 (3) Operating agencies represented on the board shall have
10 operating plans for their workforce development efforts that are
11 consistent with the comprehensive plan and that provide detail on
12 implementation steps they will take to carry out their responsibilities
13 under the plan. Each operating agency represented on the board shall
14 provide an annual progress report to the board.

15 (4) The comprehensive plan shall include recommendations to the
16 legislature and the governor on the modification, consolidation,
17 initiation, or elimination of workforce training and education programs
18 in the state.

19 (5) The comprehensive plan shall address how the state's workforce
20 development system will meet the needs of employers hiring for
21 industrial projects of statewide significance.

22 (6) The board shall report to the appropriate legislative policy
23 committees by December 1st of each year on its progress in implementing
24 the comprehensive plan and on the progress of the operating agencies in
25 meeting their obligations under the plan.

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