

# HOUSE BILL REPORT

## HB 2374

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**As Reported by House Committee On:**  
Government Operations & Elections

**Title:** An act relating to making nonsubstantive changes to procurement law.

**Brief Description:** Making nonsubstantive changes to procurement law.

**Sponsors:** Representative S. Hunt.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:**

Government Operations & Elections: 1/21/14, 1/22/14 [DPS].

**Brief Summary of Substitute Bill**

- Corrects statutory cross references, clarifies policy, and repeals outdated provisions of law pertaining to procurement.

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### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & ELECTIONS

**Majority Report:** The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 11 members: Representatives S. Hunt, Chair; Bergquist, Vice Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Young, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Carlyle, Christian, Kretz, Manweller, Orwall, Robinson and Van De Wege.

**Staff:** Marsha Reilly (786-7135).

**Background:**

In 2011 laws were enacted consolidating procurement functions into the newly created Department of Enterprise Services (DES). The DES was tasked with reforming and consolidating state procurement practices. In 2012 laws relating to the procurement of goods and services were reorganized and re-codified into a new chapter in Title 39 RCW. The processes for procurement of personal services contracts, or services, were combined with the processes for procurement of goods.

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**Summary of Substitute Bill:**

Changes are made to correct statutory cross references, clarify policy, and repeal outdated provisions of law pertaining to procurement.

**Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:**

The substitute bill allows institutions of higher education to continue to exercise certain powers under chapter 43.19 RCW. It also continues the authority of the Director of the DES to develop policies and standards for the use of credit cards or similar methods to make purchases.

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**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date of Substitute Bill:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.

**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:**

(In support) None.

(Opposed) None.

**Persons Testifying:** None.

**Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying:** None.