
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6537

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By Senate Governmental Operations (originally sponsored by Senator Roach)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the investigative and certification authority of
2 the office of minority and women's business enterprises; and amending
3 RCW 39.19.150.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 39.19.150 and 1987 c 328 s 10 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) Any person, city, county, town, special purpose district,
8 public corporation created by the state, municipal corporation, or
9 quasi-municipal corporation having reason to believe that a particular
10 minority and women's business enterprise should not have been certified
11 under RCW 39.19.140 may petition the office for reconsideration. The
12 basis for the petition may be one or more of the following:

13 (a) The office's rules or regulations were improperly applied; or

14 (b) Material facts relating to the minority and women's business
15 enterprise's certification application to the office are untrue.

16 (2) The petitioner shall carry the burden of persuasion. The
17 affected minority or women's business enterprise shall receive notice
18 of the petition and an opportunity to respond.

1 (3) After reviewing the information presented in support of and in
2 opposition to the petition, the office shall issue a written decision,
3 granting or denying the petition. If the office grants the petition,
4 it may revoke, suspend, or refuse to renew the certification or impose
5 sanctions under this chapter as appropriate.

6 (4) The office's decision on a petition is administratively final
7 and the rights of appeal set out in the office regulations shall apply.
8 A certification shall remain in effect while a petition is pending.

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