
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6236

State of Washington

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By Senate Economic Development & International Trade (originally sponsored by Senators Chase, Hasegawa, and Palumbo)

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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing the Washington state economic
2 growth commission; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; and making
3 an appropriation.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The Washington state economic growth
6 commission is established to:

7 (a) Develop a state economic growth strategy related to
8 accelerating technology innovation; and

9 (b) Establish the feasibility and devise a plan for establishing
10 a manufacturing innovation institute.

11 (2)(a) The Washington state economic growth commission shall
12 consist of sixteen voting members appointed by the governor as
13 follows: One representative from the department of commerce, four
14 representatives from academia, three representatives from private
15 industry or trade associations, three representatives from a labor
16 organization, one senior economist with expertise in manufacturing
17 and technology, one representative from Impact Washington, two
18 representatives from the workforce training and education
19 coordinating board, and one representative from the state board for
20 community and technical colleges.

1 (b) The chair of the commission is a voting member selected by
2 the governor with the consent of the senate, and serves at the
3 pleasure of the governor.

4 (3) The commission may adopt rules for its own governance and
5 hire staff as needed to perform functions under this chapter.

6 (4) The commission may establish committees as it desires, and
7 may invite people who are not members of the commission to serve as
8 committee members.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Section 1 of this act constitutes a new
10 chapter in Title 43 RCW.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The sum of three hundred fifty thousand
12 dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for
13 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, from the general fund to the
14 department of commerce for the purposes of this act. The department
15 of commerce will contract with the state's manufacturing extension
16 partnership.

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