

HB 2759.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Creates the Washington state women's commission in the office of the governor.

Requires the director of the commission to: (1) Monitor state legislation and advocate for legislation affecting women;

(2) Work with state agencies to assess programs and policies that affect women;

(3) Coordinate with the minority commissions and human rights commission to address issues of mutual concern; and

(4) Work as a liaison between the public and private sector to eliminate barriers to women's economic equity.

Requires the commission to provide staffing support to the interagency committee of state employed women, a volunteer organization that aims to better the lives of state employees by advising the governor and agencies on policies that affect state employed women.

Finds it beneficial to begin the process of preparing for statewide commemoration from 2018 through 2020 which established the right to vote for American women.

Requires the commission to work with the Washington women's history consortium to provide leadership for statewide commemoration from 2018 through 2020 of the centennial pertaining to the passage by congress of the Nineteenth Amendment and its subsequent ratification by three-fourths of the state legislatures in August 1920.