

**SHB 1109 - H AMD 489**

By Representative Shea

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1 On page 330, after line 16, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 953. JOINT COMMITTEE ON CRITICAL**  
3 **INFRASTRUCTURE.**

4 (1) The legislature finds that the frequency and severity of  
5 natural disasters take a toll on states and their budgets and has  
6 stressed federal agencies and their capacity to respond. While the  
7 highest priority in preparing for and responding to disasters is  
8 saving lives, the state also must define, protect, and restore  
9 critical infrastructure to protect lives and help people and  
10 communities recover and rebuild.

11 (2) The joint select committee on critical infrastructure is  
12 established with membership as follows:

13 (a) The chair and ranking minority member of the senate committees  
14 on: (i) state government, tribal relations, and elections; and (ii)  
15 environment, energy, and technology;

16 (b) One member from each of the two largest caucuses in the senate  
17 appointed by the president of the senate;

18 (c) The chair and ranking minority member of the house of  
19 representative committees on: (i) housing, community development, and  
20 veterans; and (ii) public safety; and

21 (d) One member from each of the two largest caucuses in the house  
22 of representatives appointed by the speaker.

23 (3) The committee shall choose a chair or co-chairs from among its  
24 members. The chair of the senate state government, tribal relations,  
25 and elections committee and the chair of the house of representatives  
26 housing, community development, and veterans committee will convene  
27 the first meeting of the committee.

1 (4) The committee must, among other things:

2 (a) Make a recommendation for funding an all hazard mitigation  
3 analysis;

4 (b) Analyze levels of insurance and the viability of parametric  
5 insurance;

6 (c) Review current approaches and plans for reducing loss of life,  
7 mitigating property losses, and recovering and rebuilding in the event  
8 of a natural disaster or other catastrophe;

9 (d) Define critical infrastructure that must be protected and  
10 restored in order to reduce loss of life, mitigate property losses,  
11 and enable communities to recover and rebuild in the event of a  
12 natural disaster or other catastrophe; and

13 (e) Make findings and recommendations, including proposed  
14 legislation if applicable, on protecting and restoring critical  
15 infrastructure in the event of a natural disaster or other  
16 catastrophe.

17 (5) The committee should seek input broadly, particularly from  
18 experts at all levels of government, tribes, and the private sector,  
19 and include both standard and innovative approaches to rebuild and  
20 recover, including financing these efforts. Examples of monetary  
21 assistance includes federal disaster programs for public and private  
22 recovery efforts, state and local bonding for public infrastructure,  
23 and insurance, including parametric insurance policies.

24 (6) Staff support for the committee is provided by the house of  
25 representatives office of program research and senate committee  
26 services.

27 (7) Legislative members of the committee must be reimbursed for  
28 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. The expenses of the  
29 committee must paid jointly by the senate and the house of  
30 representatives and expenditures are subject to the approval of the  
31 senate facilities and operations committee and the house executive  
32 rules committee.

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1 (8) The committee shall report its findings and any  
2 recommendations or proposed legislation to the committees identified  
3 in subsection (2)(a) and (2)(c) of this section by December 15, 2019.

4 (9) This section expires on December 31, 2019."  
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6 Renumber remaining sections consecutively and correct and internal  
7 references accordingly.

8 Correct the title.  
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EFFECT: Establishes a twelve-member Legislative Joint Select Committee on Critical Infrastructure. Directs the Committee to report to appropriate legislative committees by December 15, 2019, regarding critical infrastructure that must be protected and restored to reduce loss of life, mitigate property losses and enable community recovery in the event of a natural disaster or other catastrophe.

FISCAL IMPACT: No net change to appropriated levels.

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