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1 AN ACT Relating to ensuring oversight and coordination of
2 permanent supportive housing resources to maximize the creation of
3 high quality housing opportunities for people living with disabling
4 conditions in communities across Washington; amending RCW
5 43.185B.020; adding a new section to chapter 43.330 RCW; and creating
6 a new section.

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

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes permanent
9 supportive housing as an evidence-based practice to ending the cycle
10 of chronic homelessness and creating affordable housing for people
11 living with behavioral health conditions, other disabling conditions,
12 and extremely low incomes. The legislature finds that as greater
13 investment has been allocated for permanent supportive housing
14 capital, operations, maintenance, and services in order to meet the
15 need in communities across the state, greater coordination of state
16 and local resources is required to ensure these resources are being
17 leveraged effectively so that the maximum number of high quality
18 permanent supportive housing units are created each year. Therefore,
19 the legislature intends to create a permanent supportive housing
20 advisory committee to provide advice, recommendations, stakeholder
21 engagement, and oversight of resource coordination to bring high

1 quality permanent supportive housing to scale as efficiently as
2 possible and to add a permanent supportive housing representative to
3 the affordable housing advisory board.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) An advisory committee on permanent supportive housing is
7 established with members as provided in this section.

8 (a) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the
9 senate;

10 (b) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house
11 of representatives;

12 (c) One representative of the office of the governor;

13 (d) One representative of the aging and long-term support
14 administration at the department of social and health services;

15 (e) One representative of the health care authority;

16 (f) One representative from a city that invests resources in
17 permanent supportive housing;

18 (g) One representative from a county that invests resources in
19 permanent supportive housing;

20 (h) One representative of public housing authorities as created
21 under chapter 35.82 RCW;

22 (i) One permanent supportive housing service provider;

23 (j) One permanent supportive housing developer;

24 (k) One permanent supportive housing building operator;

25 (l) One permanent supportive housing resident;

26 (m) One permanent supportive housing researcher;

27 (n) One permanent supportive housing advocate;

28 (o) One representative from the behavioral health sector;

29 (p) One representative of the health care sector; and

30 (q) One representative of each of the following permanent
31 supportive housing populations:

32 (i) Single adults;

33 (ii) Older adults over age 55;

34 (iii) Families with children;

35 (iv) The American Indian and Alaska Native community;

36 (v) The LGBTQIA+ community; and

37 (vi) The disability community.

38 (2)(a) The members of the advisory committee shall be appointed
39 by the governor, except for the legislators who shall be appointed by

1 the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the
2 senate. Members must reflect the geographic, racial, and ethnic
3 diversity of the state of Washington and be inclusive of historically
4 marginalized communities.

5 (b) The members of the advisory committee serve without
6 compensation but must be reimbursed for travel expenses as provided
7 in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

8 (3) The advisory committee shall:

9 (a) Select a chair from among its membership;

10 (b) Meet quarterly;

11 (c) Provide guidance and recommendations on the administration of
12 permanent supportive housing resources managed by the department,
13 including recommendations to ensure alignment of capital, services,
14 and operating investments and fidelity with the provision of
15 permanent supportive housing as defined in RCW 36.70A.030; and

16 (d) Report its recommendations to enhance the coordination and
17 availability of permanent supportive housing to the appropriate
18 committees of the legislature and the governor by December 1st of
19 each year.

20 (4) The director and the director of the office of supportive
21 housing shall regularly consult with the advisory committee. The
22 department shall convene the advisory committee for its initial
23 meeting no later than October 1, 2022. The advisory committee shall
24 be staffed by the department.

25 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.185B.020 and 2003 c 40 s 1 are each amended to
26 read as follows:

27 (1) The department shall establish the affordable housing
28 advisory board to consist of (~~(twenty-two)~~) 23 members.

29 (a) The following (~~(nineteen)~~) 20 members shall be appointed by
30 the governor:

31 (i) Two representatives of the residential construction industry;

32 (ii) Two representatives of the home mortgage lending profession;

33 (iii) One representative of the real estate sales profession;

34 (iv) One representative of the apartment management and operation
35 industry;

36 (v) One representative of the for-profit housing development
37 industry;

38 (vi) One representative of for-profit rental housing owners;

1 (vii) One representative of the nonprofit housing development
2 industry;

3 (viii) One representative of homeless shelter operators;

4 (ix) One representative of lower-income persons;

5 (x) One representative of special needs populations;

6 (xi) One representative of public housing authorities as created
7 under chapter 35.82 RCW;

8 (xii) Two representatives of the Washington association of
9 counties, one representative shall be from a county that is located
10 east of the crest of the Cascade mountains;

11 (xiii) Two representatives of the association of Washington
12 cities, one representative shall be from a city that is located east
13 of the crest of the Cascade mountains;

14 (xiv) One representative to serve as chair of the affordable
15 housing advisory board;

16 (xv) One representative of organizations that operate site-based
17 permanent supportive housing and deliver onsite supportive housing
18 services; and

19 (xvi) One representative at large.

20 (b) The following three members shall serve as ex officio,
21 nonvoting members:

22 (i) The director or the director's designee;

23 (ii) The executive director of the Washington state housing
24 finance commission or the executive director's designee; and

25 (iii) The secretary of social and health services or the
26 secretary's designee.

27 (2)(a) The members of the affordable housing advisory board
28 appointed by the governor shall be appointed for four-year terms,
29 except that the chair shall be appointed to serve a two-year term.
30 The terms of five of the initial appointees shall be for two years
31 from the date of appointment and the terms of six of the initial
32 appointees shall be for three years from the date of appointment. The
33 governor shall designate the appointees who will serve the two-year
34 and three-year terms. The members of the advisory board shall serve
35 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel expenses as
36 provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

37 (b) The governor, when making appointments to the affordable
38 housing advisory board, shall make appointments that reflect the
39 cultural diversity of the state of Washington.

1 (3) The affordable housing advisory board shall serve as the
2 department's principal advisory body on housing and housing-related
3 issues, and replaces the department's existing boards and task forces
4 on housing and housing-related issues.

5 (4) The affordable housing advisory board shall meet regularly
6 and may appoint technical advisory committees, which may include
7 members of the affordable housing advisory board, as needed to
8 address specific issues and concerns.

9 (5) The department, in conjunction with the Washington state
10 housing finance commission and the department of social and health
11 services, shall supply such information and assistance as are deemed
12 necessary for the advisory board to carry out its duties under this
13 section.

14 (6) The department shall provide administrative and clerical
15 assistance to the affordable housing advisory board.

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