## SENATE BILL 5725

State of Washington 67th Legislature 2022 Regular Session

By Senator Mullet; by request of Lieutenant Governor Prefiled 01/07/22.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to powers of the legislative committee on
- 2 economic development and international relations; and amending RCW
- 3 43.15.070.

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.15.070 and 2020 c 114 s 22 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- The committee or its subcommittees are authorized to study and review economic development issues with special emphasis on international trade, tourism, investment, and industrial development, and to assist the legislature in developing a comprehensive and consistent economic development policy. The issues under review by the committee shall include, but not be limited to:
  - (1) Evaluating existing state policies, laws, and programs which promote or affect economic development with special emphasis on those concerning international trade, tourism, and investment and determine their cost-effectiveness and level of cooperation with other public and private agencies;
- 18 (2) Monitoring economic trends, and developing for review by the 19 legislature such state responses as may be deemed effective and 20 appropriate;

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1	(3)	Monitor	ing econ	omic	developme	nt po	licies	and	programs	of
2	other st	ates and	nations	and	evaluating	their	effect	ivenes	ss;	

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- (4) Determining the economic impact of international trade, tourism, and investment upon the state's economy;
- (5) Assessing the need for and effect of federal, regional, and state cooperation in economic development policies and programs;
- Evaluating opportunities to collaborate with public and private agencies in achieving Washington state's international relations objectives;
- (7) ((Studying and adopting any state tourism slogan or tagline 11 recommended by the Washington tourism marketing authority established in RCW 43.384.020;
  - (8))) Designating official legislative trade delegations and nominating legislators for inclusion in official trade delegations organized by the office of international relations and protocol;
- 16 (((+9))) (8) Proposing potential sister-state relationships to be 17 submitted to the governor for approval; and
- 18  $((\frac{10}{10}))$  Developing and evaluating legislative proposals 19 concerning the issues specified in this section.

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