

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Olympia, Washington

Bill Analysis

Bill No. SB 5275

Regarding Lewis and Clark
Bicentennial Advisory Committee.

Brief Title

Hearing Date 3/24/99

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BACKGROUND:

The year 2005-06 represents the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark expedition through Washington state. The state is currently promoting the expedition through the Lewis and Clark Trail Committee which was created by the Legislature in 1996 to commemorate Lewis and Clark's exploration of the northwest United States.

The Washington State Historical Society designated a board to plan and coordinate the parks and recreation commission and has funding for FY98 to promote and plan for the bicentennial in a formal manner.

SUMMARY:

The Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Advisory Committee created under the auspices of the Washington State Historical Society accounts created in the state treasury and money may only be spent after appropriation.

The committee will have five members made up of six citizens appointed by the Governor three of which must be enrolled members of the Washington Indian Heritage Society, the director of the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, the secretary of the Washington State Department of Transportation, the director of the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development, four members of the Legislature, one from each caucus of each chamber designated by each caucus and the chair of the Lewis and Clark Trail Advisory Committee.

The committee is authorized to coordinate and lead the observance of the bicentennial. The committee also has the option to perform certain duties including fundraising, generating activities and soliciting gifts. The Washington State Historical Society designated administrative support for the committee. The committee was set up in June of 2007.

FISCANOTE: Available.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Ninety days after adjournment session which bill passed.