
HOUSE BILL 2207

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1 AN ACT Relating to increasing legislative membership on
2 commissions; and amending RCW 43.46.015, 43.105.032, and 90.71.030.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.46.015 and 1985 c 317 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 There is established a Washington state arts commission. The
7 commission consists of ~~((nineteen))~~ twenty-one members appointed by the
8 governor and ~~((two))~~ four members of the legislature, one from each
9 caucus in the senate and appointed by the president of the senate and
10 one from each caucus in the house of representatives and appointed by
11 the speaker of the house of representatives. ~~((The legislative members~~
12 ~~shall be from opposite major political parties.))~~ The governor shall
13 appoint citizens representing the various disciplines within the
14 visual, performing and literary arts, and other citizens active in the
15 arts community. The governor shall consider nominations for membership
16 from individuals actively involved in cultural, state or community
17 organizations. The governor shall also consider geographical
18 distribution of the membership in the appointment of new members.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.105.032 and 1996 c 137 s 10 are each amended to
2 read as follows:

3 There is hereby created the Washington state information services
4 board. The board shall be composed of (~~thirteen~~) fifteen members.
5 Eight members shall be appointed by the governor, one of whom shall be
6 a representative of higher education, one of whom shall be a
7 representative of an agency under a state-wide elected official other
8 than the governor, and two of whom shall be representatives of the
9 private sector. One member shall represent the judicial branch and be
10 appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court. One member shall
11 be the superintendent of public instruction or shall be appointed by
12 the superintendent of public instruction. (~~One~~) Two members shall
13 represent the house of representatives and shall be selected by the
14 speaker of the house of representatives with one representative chosen
15 from each caucus of the house of representatives; (~~one~~) two members
16 shall represent the senate and shall be appointed by the president of
17 the senate with one representative chosen from each caucus of the
18 senate. (~~The representatives of the house of representatives and~~
19 ~~senate shall not be from the same political party.~~) One member shall
20 be the director who shall be a voting member of the board. These
21 members shall constitute the membership of the board with full voting
22 rights. Members of the board shall serve at the pleasure of the
23 appointing authority. The board shall select a chairperson from among
24 its members.

25 Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner that the original
26 appointments were made.

27 A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum
28 for the transaction of business.

29 Members of the board shall be compensated for service on the board
30 in accordance with RCW 43.03.240 and shall be reimbursed for travel
31 expenses as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

32 **Sec. 3.** RCW 90.71.030 and 1996 c 138 s 4 are each amended to read
33 as follows:

34 (1) There is established the Puget Sound council composed of
35 (~~nine~~) eleven members. Seven members shall be appointed by the
36 governor. In making these appointments, the governor shall include
37 representation from business, the environmental community, agriculture,
38 the shellfish industry, counties, cities, and the tribes. (~~One~~) Two

1 members shall be ((a)) members of the senate selected by the president
2 of the senate with one member selected from each caucus in the senate,
3 and ((one)) two members shall be ((a)) members of the house of
4 representatives selected by the speaker of the house of representatives
5 with one member selected from each caucus in the house of
6 representatives. The legislative members shall be nonvoting members of
7 the council. Appointments to the council shall reflect geographical
8 balance and the diversity of population within the Puget Sound basin.
9 Members shall serve four-year terms. Of the initial members appointed
10 to the council, two shall serve for two years, two shall serve for
11 three years, and two shall serve for four years. Thereafter members
12 shall be appointed to four-year terms. Vacancies shall be filled by
13 appointment in the same manner as the original appointment for the
14 remainder of the unexpired term of the position being vacated.
15 Nonlegislative members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses as
16 provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. Legislative members shall be
17 reimbursed as provided in RCW 44.04.120.

18 (2) The council shall:

19 (a) Recommend to the action team projects and activities for
20 inclusion in the biennial work plan;

21 (b) Recommend to the action team coordination of work plan
22 activities with other relevant activities, including but not limited
23 to, agencies' activities other than those funded through the plan,
24 local plan initiatives, and governmental and nongovernmental watershed
25 restoration and protection activities; and

26 (c) Recommend to the action team proposed amendments to the Puget
27 Sound management plan.

28 (3) The chair of the action team shall convene the council at least
29 four times per year and shall jointly convene the council and the
30 action team at least two times per year.

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