
SENATE BILL 5452

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By Senators Honeyford and Warnick

1 AN ACT Relating to local and community projects; adding a new
2 section to chapter 43.63A RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.63A
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) The department of commerce shall administer the local and
7 community projects program.

8 (2) The department may not expend an appropriation for a local
9 and community project unless and until the nonstate share of project
10 costs have been either expended, or firmly committed, or both, in an
11 amount sufficient to complete the project or a distinct phase of the
12 project that is useable to the public for the purpose intended by the
13 legislature. This requirement does not apply to projects where a
14 share of the appropriation is released for design costs only.

15 (3) Prior to receiving funds, project recipients must demonstrate
16 that the project site is under control for a minimum of ten years,
17 either through ownership or a long-term lease. This requirement does
18 not apply to appropriations for preconstruction activities or
19 appropriations whose sole purpose is to purchase real property that
20 does not include a construction or renovation component.

1 (4) Local and community projects may be required to comply with
2 Washington's high performance building standards as required by
3 chapter 39.35D RCW.

4 (5) Local and community project funds are available on a
5 reimbursement basis only.

6 (6) Local and community projects, including those that are owned
7 and operated by nonprofit organizations, are required to pay state
8 prevailing wages.

9 (7) The department may not contract for the expenditure of state
10 bond proceeds appropriated for local and community projects for more
11 than four years from the original appropriation.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
13 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
14 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
15 effect immediately.

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