

(4) Unleased portions of the Milwaukee Road property under this section shall be managed by the department of natural resources. On these unleased portions, the department solely shall be responsible for weed control, culvert, bridge, and other necessary maintenance and fire protection services. The department shall place hazard warning signs and close hazardous structures on unleased portions and shall regulate activities and restrict uses, including closing the corridor during seasons of high fire danger.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. There is added to chapter 79.08 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The state, through the department of natural resources, shall reserve the right to terminate a lease entered into pursuant to section 9 of this act or modify authorized uses of the corridor for future recreation, transportation, or utility uses. If the state elects to terminate the lease, the state shall provide the lessee with a minimum of six months' notice.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. There is appropriated to the state parks and recreation commission for the biennium ending June 30, 1985, the sum of forty-nine thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to carry out the purposes of sections 2 through 5 of this act.

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CHAPTER 175

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 4849]

INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENTS—HONORARY COMMERCIAL ATTACHE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AN ACT Relating to international investment; amending section 4, chapter 221, Laws of 1967 and RCW 43.31.370; adding new sections to chapter 43.31 RCW; creating new sections; repealing section 1 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 2 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 3 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 4 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 5 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 6 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 7 of this act and RCW 43.____; and repealing section 8 of this act and RCW 43.____.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The Washington state legislature finds that there are various nations that may not be fully aware of the competitive products and services, and opportunities for investment, available in the state of Washington. The legislature further finds that the cost to the state of maintaining numerous offices and employees abroad to promote the products, services, and investment opportunities available in this state may be prohibitive.

The legislature recognizes that there are numerous distinguished and civic minded individuals residing in this state as well as citizens of the United States and other nations who have a broad knowledge of this state and its products. The legislature acknowledges that certain of these individuals may be willing to act as honorary commercial attaches for the state of Washington.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Unless the context requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Attache" means an honorary commercial attache.

(2) "Department" means the department of commerce and economic development, or its successor agency.

(3) "Director" means the director of commerce and economic development, or its successor agency.

(4) "Office" or "office of international trade" means the office of international trade of the department of commerce and economic development, or its successor agency.

(5) "Program" means the honorary commercial attache program.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. There is established within the office of international trade the honorary commercial attache program.

The office in administering the program, shall:

(1) Identify candidate attaches by accepting recommendations and soliciting referrals from Washington state businesses having extensive overseas trade involvement, state universities with foreign student exchange programs, local internationally oriented societies and trade groups, international consulates, various levels of government, and other sources.

(2) Screen applicants to determine their suitability to ably represent the state as honorary commercial attaches, including:

(a) Making formal inquiry to the United States commercial attache in the appropriate United States embassy or consulate general;

(b) Conducting background research and reference evaluation as necessary to ensure that the applicant is a distinguished and respected member of his or her profession;

(3) Make its report and recommendations to the governor and the president of the senate regarding applicants;

(4) Provide a comprehensive orientation on state products and services and opportunities for investment in the state on an ongoing basis to attaches;

(5) Prepare and provide the necessary brochures, pamphlets, and materials for use and distribution by attaches;

(6) Target those regions and countries in which an attache would be most beneficial; and

(7) Assist the attaches in the execution of their duties including providing guidance on developing trade and investment leads and acting as a

focal point for all resulting communications between international companies and individuals with the state.

The department may administer the honorary commercial attache program in conjunction with other similar programs.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Honorary commercial attaches shall be appointed by the governor, with approval by the president of the senate, from recommendations submitted by the director of commerce and economic development. Upon appointment, an honorary commercial attache shall receive from the governor an official certificate and letter of appointment and the state flag. These articles may be used by the attache in the conduct of his or her official duties.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Honorary commercial attaches shall act as representatives of the state in promoting international investment, trade, and tourism in Washington state in a manner consistent with this chapter.

The office shall coordinate the development of the attaches' agendas and long-term and short-term plans for the activities of the attaches. An attache shall avoid conducting private or personal business when acting as a representative of the state of Washington. In any situation presenting a possible or apparent conflict of interest, the attache shall notify the director who shall recommend appropriate action. Honorary commercial attaches shall not receive compensation, or reimbursement for travel or any other expenses associated with their duties.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. The department through the office may:

(1) Receive funds, contract with institutions of higher education, and carry out such other duties as are deemed necessary to implement sections 1 through 8 of this act;

(2) Receive such gifts, grants, and endowments from private or public sources as may be made available, in trust or otherwise, for the use and benefit of the honorary commercial attache program, and expend the same or any income therefrom according to the terms of the gifts, grants, or endowments; and

(3) Charge reasonable fees or other appropriate charges for using the office's services, attendance at workshops and conferences sponsored by the office, and for various publications and materials which it is authorized to prepare and distribute for the purpose of defraying all or part of the costs of the office in administering the honorary commercial attache program.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. The director of commerce and economic development, or its successor agency, shall report annually to the appropriate legislative committees with special emphasis on the honorary commercial attache program's impact on the economy of the state; the number of honorary commercial attaches; and recommendations regarding the program.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. Honorary commercial attaches shall serve at the pleasure of the governor who may revoke their certificates of appointment at any time, after consultation with the president of the senate.

Sec. 9. Section 4, chapter 221, Laws of 1967 and RCW 43.31.370 are each amended to read as follows:

The department of commerce and economic development through the office of ((foreign)) international trade is hereby designated the agency of state government for the promotion and development of ((foreign)) international trade and shall, in addition to the powers and duties otherwise imposed by law, have the following powers and duties:

(1) To study the potential marketability of various agricultural, natural resource, and manufacturing commodities of this state in ((foreign)) international trade;

(2) To collect, prepare, and analyze ((foreign)) international and domestic market data;

(3) To maintain close contact with ((foreign)) international firms and governmental agencies and to act as an effective intermediary between ((foreign)) nations other than the United States and Washington traders;

(4) To publish and disseminate to interested citizens and others information which will aid in carrying out the purposes of RCW 43.31.040 and 43.31.350 through 43.31.370;

(5) To encourage and promote the movement of ((foreign)) international and domestic goods through the ports of Washington;

(6) To conduct an active program by sending representatives to, or engaging representatives in, ((foreign countries)) other nations to promote the state as ((a foreign)) an international trade center;

(7) To assist and to make Washington agricultural, natural resource, and manufacturing concerns more aware of the potentials of ((foreign)) international trade and to encourage production of those commodities which will have high export potentials and appeal;

(8) To administer state participation in state or international trade fairs;

(9) To coordinate the trade promotional activities of federal, state, and local public agencies, as well as civic organizations;

(10) To administer the honorary commercial attache program established under this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. Sections 1 through 8 of this act are each added to chapter 43.31 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. The honorary commercial attache program shall be reviewed under the process provided in chapter 43.131 RCW before December 1, 1985. Unless extended by law, the program shall be terminated on June 30, 1986.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. The following acts or parts of acts, as now existing or hereafter amended, are each repealed, effective June 30, 1987:

- (1) Section 1 of this act and RCW 43.____;
- (2) Section 2 of this act and RCW 43.____;
- (3) Section 3 of this act and RCW 43.____;
- (4) Section 4 of this act and RCW 43.____;
- (5) Section 5 of this act and RCW 43.____;
- (6) Section 6 of this act and RCW 43.____;
- (7) Section 7 of this act and RCW 43.____; and
- (8) Section 8 of this act and RCW 43._____.

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CHAPTER 176

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 4852]

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AN ACT Relating to international investment; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW: creating new sections; repealing section 1 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 2 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 3 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 4 of this act and RCW 43.____; repealing section 5 of this act and RCW 43.____; making an appropriation; and providing an expiration date.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The Washington state legislature finds that appropriate international investment is beneficial to the economy of this state and is a viable and needed avenue for economic development. The legislature further finds that other states and nations are actively involved in promoting international investment and have been successful in their endeavors.

It is the legislature's intent, by fostering the growth of appropriate international investment in this state, to attract new businesses and industries and in so doing provide employment to citizens of Washington state.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter:

(1) "Office" means the office of international investment within the department of commerce and economic development or its successor agency;