

organizations or associations shall be deemed qualified pursuant to this section. The rental of property otherwise exempt under this paragraph to another nonprofit organization or association engaged in character building of boys and girls under eighteen years of age or to a nonprofit church organization, a nonsectarian organization or association, or school or college exempt under this chapter, or to a public school for the use by the lessee for the purposes set forth in this paragraph shall not nullify the exemption provided for in this paragraph if the rental income is devoted solely to the operation and maintenance of the property;

Property owned by all organizations and societies of veterans of any war of the United States, recognized as such by the department of defense, which shall have national charters, and which shall have for their general purposes and objects the preservation of the memories and associations incident to their war service and the consecration of the efforts of their members to mutual helpfulness and to patriotic and community service to state and nation. To be exempt such property must be primarily used in such manner as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes and objects of such societies;

Property owned by all corporations, incorporated under any act of congress, whose principal purposes are to furnish volunteer aid to members of the armed forces of the United States and also to carry on a system of national and international relief and to apply the same in mitigating the sufferings caused by pestilence, famine, fire, floods, and other national calamities and to devise and carry on measures for preventing the same.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is effective for property taxes levied in calendar year 1983 and due and payable in calendar year 1984 and thereafter.

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CHAPTER 26

[Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 740]

COST CONTROL TASK FORCE

AN ACT Relating to state government; creating new sections; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. To improve the operational effectiveness of government and to minimize the undesirable alternatives of reducing necessary government services or unnecessarily increasing taxes, the legislature shall establish a cost control task force.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The cost control task force members and chairman shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate and the governor of the state and shall consist of management, business and economic specialists from the private sector. The speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate and the governor of the state shall each select an equal number of task force members after soliciting interest in the task force from private sector specialists. It is the intent of the legislature that the task force be a nonpartisan body. Members of the legislative budget committee shall serve as a nonvoting, ex officio members of the task force. The task force members shall develop their own rules of operation and meetings and shall have authority to examine, question and review all state agencies.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The cost control task force shall prepare a report to be delivered to the legislature and to the governor no later than December 5, 1983, which shall include recommendations which, if implemented, would accomplish any of the following objectives: (1) Simplify intradepartmental organizations so that administrative overhead is minimized and appropriate support activities are combined; (2) increase productivity through more efficient work methods, systems, and procedures; (3) improve the use of physical resources, including buildings, land, and equipment; (4) initiate new or improved information and control systems to improve management planning and control; and (5) any other innovations or changes which would result in better or more economic delivery of services.

It is not the intent of the legislature that the cost control task force review or make recommendations in the general policy area of which services are being provided, but rather the method by which they are being provided.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The cost control task force shall cease to exist upon submitting its report as required by section 3 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. The legislative advisory committee on state government organization created by Engrossed Substitute Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 113 of 1983, beginning on June 30, 1984, shall audit the implementation of recommendations made by the cost control task force, and shall submit a report of its audit to the legislature prior to December 31, 1984.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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