CHAPTER 151

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 4494] INTERNATIONAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL----SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL TRADE INFORMATION TASK FORCE

AN ACT Relating to international trade development; creating new sections; providing an expiration date; making appropriations; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. It is the intent of the legislature to:

(1) Promote the state's objectives of job creation and retention, continued and accelerated growth of the state's economy, and the enhanced economic well-being of the state's citizens and commerce;

(2) Provide for private sector advice to the governor and the legislature on international trade policy;

(3) Insure that the state pursue an international trade policy aimed at the mutual elimination of trade barriers with the state's trading partners;

(4) Insure the development of superior, long-term state international trade policy alternatives; and

(5) Improve methods for the formulation of state international trade policy.

*<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. (1) There is established the Washington state advisory council on international trade development. The purpose of the council is to marshal the collective expertise of its members in order to advise the state of those strategies and initiatives which will most effectively promote and encourage international trade by Washington businesses, industry, and agriculture. As used in this act, "council" means the Washington state advisory council on international trade development.

(2) The council shall consist of eighteen voting members.

(3) Of the eighteen members, four shall be appointed by the governor, four shall be appointed by the president of the senate, and four shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. In making these appointments, the governor, president of the senate, and speaker of the house shall consult with each other to provide that all areas of the state are represented on the council and that the council include representation from each of the following groups or fields: Ports; nonprofit international trade associations or nonprofit business associations; importers; exporters; businesses involved with international trade with fewer than fifty employees; international banking; labor; agriculture commodity groups; international insurance; custom house brokering and freight forwarding; corporate strategic planning; and institutions of higher education.

(4) The remaining six members of the council shall include:

(a) Two members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house. One member shall be appointed from each caucus;

(b) Two members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate. One member shall be appointed from each caucus;

(c) The governor, and

(d) The lieutenant governor.

(5) Members of the council shall be reimbursed for travel expenses pursuant to RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. Legislative members shall be reimbursed pursuant to RCW 44.04.120.

*Sec. 2 was partially vetoed, see message at end of chapter.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. The appointments to the council shall be made within twenty-one days of the effective date of this act. The first meeting of the council shall be held within thirty-five days of the effective date of this act. Additional meetings of the council may be convened at the call of the chairperson or by a majority of the members. The council shall elect a chairperson from among its members.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. The council has the following powers and duties:

(1) To provide international trade information and counsel to the governor and legislature by December 1, 1984, and more often if necessary, on the state of international trade in Washington.

(2) To identify for the governor and legislature current and long-term international trade issues which may require attention by the state.

(3) Consult with appropriate public and private entities in the development of state policy alternatives which address and resolve current and long-term state international trade issues and international trade problems confronting the businesses, workers, and citizens of the state.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. It is the responsibility of the council to prepare and submit to the governor and the legislature, by December 1, 1984, specific recommendations on the following topics:

(1) Methods for most effectively coordinating or combining all state international trade activities, including those carried on by the department of commerce and economic development, the department of agriculture, the department of natural resources, the export assistance center, the small business development center, university-based marketing centers, and agricultural commissions.

(2) Methods of improving private-sector international trade advice to the governor and the legislature on a regular and long-term basis;

(3) Methods for most effectively promoting Washington products in both established and new international markets.

(4) Options the state may lawfully exercise to reduce unreasonable and restrictive trade barriers placed on Washington state products by other trading countries.

(5) The potential benefits of pursuing and encouraging the development of a northwest regional trade policy.

(6) Methods for assisting small and medium size businesses which have the potential to develop international trade markets.

(7) The desirability of authorizing and maintaining a publicly supported certified export trading company, and those policies which encourage the development of private export companies.

(8) Methods for better coordinating and improving state, federal, local, and private international trade informational resources, both computerized and noncomputerized, in order to achieve the most effective state international trade planning, academic research, and private-sector international trade marketing policy.

(9) Methods for attracting appropriate international investments to the state of Washington.

(10) Prioritization and identification for the governor and the legislature of those current and long-term international trade issues and international trade problems confronting businesses, workers, and citizens of the state.

(11) The desirability of forming a permanent legislative committee or public/private entity for the review of long-term international trade issues.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 6. (1) The council shall select six members to serve on a special international trade information task force. The task force shall:

(a) By August 15, 1984, develop a short-range proposal, consistent with section 5(8) of this act and other provisions of this act, for the expenditure of the appropriation contained in section 10 of this act. The proposal shall be reviewed by the council and a short-range state it _rnational trade information plan as approved by the council shall be submitted to the director of the department of commerce and economic development by September 1, 1984;

(b) Develop a long-range state international trade information proposal for the council's review and approval as part of the council's report required by section 5 of this act.

(2) The task force shall consider and identify the following items in developing the proposals under subsection (1) of this section:

(a) Strategies that will assist the department of commerce and economic development, the department of agriculture, the department of natural resources, the legislature, state universities, the export assistance center, and other related federal, state, and local agencies to more efficiently: (i) Gather and assemble international trade and marketing information; (ii) share this information with state agencies, the legislature, state universities, ports, businesses, and the public through cooperative, cost-effective information-sharing agreements; and (iii) provide for the sale of this information to businesses and the public;

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(b) Those recommendations received by the task force from current or potential users of state international trade information and information processing experts; and

(c) All additional equipment, personnel, and other resources which may be required to begin implementation of an effective, coordinated, and cost-effective system of state international trade information consistent with a state international trade information needs and resource assessment.

(3) The task force may obtain the assistance of private-sector computer systems specialists if the task force determines that such expertise is necessary for the development of the proposals required by subsection (1) of this section.

(4) The task force shall consult with the director of the department of commerce and economic development and the director of the department of agriculture and other appropriate state agencies to obtain their comments regarding the proposals required by subsection (1) of this section.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 7. (1) The council may utilize legislative and executive staff as it deems necessary and may employ other staff if additional expertise is required. The council may conduct such studies as it deems necessary to carry out its purposes.

(2) All agencies and departments of the state, including the department of commerce and economic development, department of agriculture, and department of natural resources shall provide such assistance as the council may reasonably request.

(3) The council may hold such public meetings as it deems necessary.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 8. Sections 1 through 7 of this act shall expire and the council shall terminate on June 30, 1985.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 9. There is appropriated from the general fund to the council for the biennium ending June 30, 1985, the sum of sixty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the purposes of this act.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 10. (1) There is appropriated from the general fund to the department of commerce and economic development for the biennium ending June 30, 1985, the sum of one hundred fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the purpose of section 6(1)(a) of this act.

(2) The department shall not expend any portion of this appropriation until September 15, 1984, and until the council approves the short-range plan as directed by section 6(1)(a) of this act.

(3) Expenditures made from this appropriation by the director shall: (a) Be consistent with the recommendations contained in the plan required by section 6(1)(a) of this act; and (b) be consistent with the provisions of this act. <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 11. 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.

Passed the Senate February 29, 1984.

Passed the House February 25, 1984.

Approved by the Governor March 7, 1984, with the exception of section 2, subsections 2, 3, and 4, which were vetoed.

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Note: Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith, without my approval as to section 2, subsections 2, 3, and 4, Substitute Senate Bill No. 4494, entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to international trade development."

Substitute Senate Bill No. 4.194 creates the Washington State Advisory Council on International Trade Development to provide international trade information and counsel to the Governor and the legislature.

The concept of an advisory council in the area of international trade development is acceptable and should prove beneficial. However, the method of appointment of the council and its makeup as designated in this legislation clearly circumvent the executive branch of state government. As I said with respect to a similar proposal relating to tourism development, the work envisioned by this legislation can be accomplished in a more efficient and responsible manner consistent with the constitutional principles regarding the separation of powers if the work is undertaken in the manner established in *Executive Order 84–04, a copy of which I have attached to this message. For these reasons, I have vetoed subsections 2, 3, and 4 of section 2 of Substitute Senate Bill No. 4494.

The remaining sections of the bill are approved."

*Reviser's note: Executive Order 84-04 is published in the Washington State Register.

CHAPTER 152

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 4321] STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION AUTHORITY MODIFIED

AN ACT Relating to the state library; amending section 2, chapter 5, Laws of 1941 as amended by section 2, chapter 207, Laws of 1943 and RCW 27.04.030; amending section 3, chapter 207, Laws of 1943 and RCW 27.04.050; adding a new section to chapter 27.04 RCW; repealing section 1, chapter 170, Laws of 1955 and RCW 27.04.035; repealing section 7, chapter 232, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 27.04.037; repealing section 1, chapter 232, Laws of 1945 and RCW 27.04.040; repealing section 1, chapter 232, Laws of 1945 and RCW 27.04.040; repealing section 1, chapter 239, Laws of 1945 and RCW 27.04.040; repealing section 1, chapter 39, Laws of 1949 and RCW 27.04.060; repealing section 1, chapter 67, Laws of 1967 and RCW 27.04.070; and repealing section 1, chapter 220, Laws of 1981 and RCW 27.04.090.

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

Sec. 1. Section 2, chapter 5, Laws of 1941 as amended by section 2, chapter 207, Laws of 1943 and RCW 27.04.030 are each amended to read as follows:

The state library commission ((shall have charge and control of the state library. It shall appoint a state librarian, who shall hold office at the