NEW SECTION. Sec. 23. Sections 1 through 11 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 46 RCW.


NEW SECTION. Sec. 25. This act shall take effect on January 1st of the year following the year in which the state of Washington becomes a member of the International Registration Plan. The director of the department of licensing may immediately take such steps as are necessary to insure that this act is implemented on its effective date.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 26. 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.

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CHAPTER 381
[Substitute Senate Bill No. 36301]
HIGH-TECHNOLOGY COORDINATING BOARD—DUTIES

AN ACT Relating to the Washington high-technology coordinating board; and amending RCW 28B.65.040, 28B.65.050, and 28B.65.060.

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

Sec. 1. Section 5, chapter 72, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 1, chapter 66, Laws of 1984 and RCW 28B.65.040 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The Washington high-technology coordinating board is hereby created.

(2) The board shall be composed of ((seventeen)) eighteen members as follows:

(a) Eleven shall be citizen members appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate, for four-year terms. In making the appointments the governor shall ensure that a balanced geographic representation of the state is achieved and shall attempt to choose persons experienced in high-technology fields, including at least one representative of labor. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before a term expires shall be appointed only for the remainder of that term; and

(b) ((Six)) Seven of the members shall be as follows: One representative from each of the state's two research universities, one representative of the state college and regional universities, the director for the state system
of community colleges or the director's designee, the superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee, ((and)) a representative of the council for postsecondary education or its statutory successor, and the director of the department of trade and economic development or the director's designee.

(3) Members of the board shall not receive any salary for their services, but shall be reimbursed for travel expenses under RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 for each day actually spent in attending to duties as a member of the board.

(4) A citizen member of the board shall not be, during the term of office, a member of the governing board of any public or private educational institution, or an employee of any state or local agency.

Sec. 2. Section 6, chapter 72, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. and RCW 28B.65.050 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The board shall oversee ((and)), coordinate ((the)), and evaluate high-technology ((education and training)) programs.

(2) The board shall:

(a) Determine the specific high-technology occupational fields in which technical training is needed and advise the institutions of higher education and the council for postsecondary education or its statutory successor on their findings;

(b) Identify economic areas ((with)) and high-technology industries in need of technical training and research and development critical to ((economic renewal or)) economic development and advise the institutions of higher education and the council for postsecondary education or its statutory successor on their findings;

(c) Oversee and coordinate the Washington high-technology education and training program to insure high standards, efficiency, and effectiveness;

(d) Work cooperatively with the superintendent of public instruction to identify the skills prerequisite to the high-technology programs in the institutions of higher education;

(e) Work cooperatively with and provide any information or advice which may be requested by the council for postsecondary education or its statutory successor during the council's review of new baccalaureate degree program proposals which are submitted under this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as altering or superseding the powers or prerogatives of the council for postsecondary education or its statutory successor over the review of new degree programs as established in RCW 28B.80.035;

(f) ((Prepare and submit a report to the 1984 legislature on whether or not high-technology education and training consortia should be established between the state's community colleges and four-year colleges and universities pursuant to RCW 28B.65.080, including their geographic division and the pattern of cooperation between the community colleges and the four-year colleges and universities and shall investigate the establishment of the consortiums.))
such consortia within existing resources)) Work cooperatively with the department of trade and economic development to identify the high-technology education and training needs of existing Washington businesses and businesses with the potential to locate in Washington; ((and))

(g) Work towards increasing private sector participation and contributions in Washington high-technology programs;

(h) Identify and evaluate the effectiveness of state sponsored research related to high technology;

(i) Establish and maintain a plan, including priorities, to guide high-technology program development in public institutions of higher education, which plan shall include an assessment of current high-technology programs, steps to increase existing programs, new initiatives and programs necessary to promote high technology, and methods to coordinate and target high-technology programs to changing market opportunities in business and industry;

(j) Prepare and submit to the legislature before the first day of each regular session an annual report on ((the)) Washington high-technology ((education and training)) programs including, but not limited to:

(i) An evaluation of ((the)) each program;

(ii) A determination of the feasibility of expanding the program; and

(iii) Recommendations, including recommendations for further legislation as the board deems necessary.

(3) The board may adopt rules under chapter 28B.19 RCW as it deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(4) The board shall cease to exist on June 30, 1987, unless extended by law for an additional fixed period of time.

Sec. 3. Section 7, chapter 72, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. and RCW 28B.65.060 are each amended to read as follows:

Staff support for the high-technology coordinating board shall be provided by the((council for postsecondary education)) department of trade and economic development.

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