

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS33194 / H0620

This legislation establishes that a board of county commissioners is deemed to have "special expertise" in all subject matters they are statutorily responsible for when acting as a cooperating agency in federal land planning. This includes matters affecting the health, safety, welfare, custom, culture, and socio-economic viability of the county. Additionally, this bill authorizes county commissioners to coordinate their officially adopted comprehensive plans with federal agencies as provided under federal laws such as the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). This ensures that local governments have a formal voice in federal land management decisions that directly impact their communities.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to the General Fund or local government funds. This legislation clarifies the existing authority and expertise of county commissioners and does not mandate new spending or programs.

Contact:

Representative Judy Boyle
(208) 332-1000
Senator Mark Harris
(208) 332-1000

DISCLAIMER: This statement of purpose and fiscal note are a mere attachment to this bill and prepared by a proponent of the bill. It is neither intended as an expression of legislative intent nor intended for any use outside of the legislative process, including judicial review (Joint Rule 18).