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SENATE BILL 5778

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By Senators Billig, Saldaña, Hobbs, and McCoy

- AN ACT Relating to restricting the availability of state funds to regional transportation planning organizations that do not provide a 3 reasonable opportunity for voting membership to certain federally recognized tribes; amending RCW 47.80.050; and providing an effective date.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 7 RCW 47.80.050 and 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 s 57 are each Sec. 1. amended to read as follows: 8
- (1) Biennial appropriations to the department of transportation 9 10 to carry out the regional transportation planning program shall set 11 forth the amounts to be allocated as follows:
- 12 $((\frac{1}{1}))$ (a) A base amount per county for each county within each regional transportation planning organization, to be distributed to 13 14 the lead planning agency;
- 15 $((\frac{(2)}{(2)}))$ An amount to be distributed to each lead planning 16 agency on a per capita basis; and
- 17 (((3))) (c) An amount to be administered by the department of 18 transportation as a discretionary grant program for special regional 19 planning projects, including grants to allow counties which have 20 significant transportation interests in common with an adjoining 21 region to also participate in that region's planning efforts.

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- (2) In order for a regional transportation planning organization to be eligible to receive state funds that are appropriated for regional transportation planning organizations, a regional transportation planning organization must provide a reasonable opportunity for voting membership to federally recognized tribes that hold reservation or trust lands within the planning area of the regional transportation planning organization.
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect August 1, 2019.

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