

**Legislative Study
County Fiscal Health and Governance Alternatives
Advisory Committee**

Background and Charge

The Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development (CTED) has been directed by the 2007 Legislature to examine the fiscal health of counties. The CTED study may contain options and actions for consideration by the governor and the legislature, but at a minimum must recommend the changes to constitutional and statutory law necessary to provide non-charter counties with the legal authority required to implement changes in governmental structures and functions needed to promote optimum financial efficiency and improved services.

To ensure critical information and viewpoints from stakeholders are included, CTED is convening an advisory committee. The committee will assist CTED in considering options and actions, including the pros and cons of each option, and provide feedback to inform the recommendations and legislature. The advisory committee consists of eleven county elected and appointed officials nominated by the Washington State Association of Counties and the Washington Association of County Officials. The committee also includes one representative from academia and one representative from the business community selected by CTED.

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