

## EXECUTIVE ORDER 82-09

### Establishing the Governor's Committee on High Technology Training and Advancement

It is the policy of the state of Washington to encourage creation of new long-term employment opportunities for its residents and to provide the means by which our citizens can be properly trained to take advantage of those opportunities. The state recognizes high-technology industry as a major source of new long-term economic opportunities. In that regard, it has become increasingly apparent that a major obstacle to the creation of those opportunities is the lack of a comprehensive and coordinated program of training and technical support. The state of Washington must be committed to developing that support in order to create additional high-technology jobs and train our citizens to fill them.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, John Spellman, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby order the following:

#### I. Governor's Committee on High Technology Training and Advancement

The Governor's Committee on High Technology Training and Advancement is hereby established. The Committee, chaired by the Director of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development, shall be appointed by the Governor and shall include representatives from private industry and organized labor, directors of selected state agencies, educators, and chairpersons of key legislative committees.

The Committee shall:

- A. Examine and evaluate how the state now provides high-technology education, training, and technical assistance as well as the present and future demand for those services by present and potential Washington State employers.
- B. Identify programs that are now being used to encourage high- technology growth.
- C. Identify training and technical-resource barriers to high-technology development.
- D. Develop and submit to the Governor before the 1983 legislative session a report containing recommendations for legislation, innovative programs, and other actions that will promote high technology training and advancement.
- E. Report quarterly to the Governor regarding its progress.

#### II. Department of Commerce and Economic Development

The Department of Commerce and Economic Development shall:

- A. Coordinate the organization of the Committee.

B. Provide liaison from the Committee to the high-technology industry.

C. Provide administrative support to the Committee.

D. Offer assistance in coordinating with private industry the efforts of various Washington State government organizations involved in training and technical education programs in order to provide greater human-resource development and increased employment opportunities in high technology for Washington State citizens. Those organizations shall include, but not be limited to: the Department of Employment Security; the Commission for Vocational Education; the Council for Postsecondary Education; the State Board for Community College Education; the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction; vocational education institutions; four-year private and public colleges and universities; and, private, specialized manpower-training programs.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 10th day of May A.D., Nineteen hundred and eighty-two.

John Spellman  
Governor of Washington

**BY THE GOVERNOR:**

Secretary of State

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