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Tri-City Regional Chamber Testifies in Olympia Requesting More Transparency in Government

Colin Hastings, Vice President of the Tri-City Regional Chamber of Commerce is giving testimony before the Senate Government Operations, Tribal Relations and Elections Committee Requesting the Committee's support for Senate Bill 5419. SB 5419 Provides mandatory notice and waiting periods before legislative action.

Last year's legislative session saw closed door hearings and bills introduced by title only with no description or explanation of what the bill was. "For us here in Eastern Washington, that totally locks us out of the legislative process," said Colin Hastings, Vice President of the Tri-City Regional Chamber of Commerce, "Even though this legislation is not comprehensive reform, it is a step in the right direction."

The hearing will be broadcast on TVW.org at 10:00 AM. Attached is a letter of support of SB5419 to be submitted with Mr. Hastings testimony.

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