



Bill Title:	Authorizing the Governor to enter into agreements with federally recognized Indian tribes in the state of Washington concerning marijuana
Bill Number:	SHB 2000
Effective Date:	July 24, 2015
New sections to:	RCW 43.06; RCW 69.50; RCW 82.08; RCW 82.12
Amends:	RCW 69.50.360; RCW 69.50.363; RCW 69.50.366

Summary:

This bill authorizes the Governor to enter in to agreements with federally recognized tribes concerning marijuana and sales or distribution between a state marijuana licensee and tribe. The Governor may delegate the power to negotiate these agreements to the WSLCB.

Such agreements may address any marijuana-related issue that involves both state and tribal interests or that otherwise has an impact on tribal-state relations. Such agreements may include the following subject matter:

- Criminal and civil law enforcement;
- Regulatory issues related to the commercial production, processing, sale, and possession of marijuana and processed marijuana products;
- Medical and pharmaceutical research involving marijuana;
- Taxation; and
- Dispute resolution, including the use of mediation or other non-judicial process.

Any marijuana agreement relating to the production, processing, and sale of marijuana in Indian country, whether for recreational or medical purposes, must address the following issues:

- Preservation of public health and safety;
- Ensuring the security of production, processing, retail, and research facilities; and
- Cross-border commerce in marijuana.

All compacting agreements must include a tribal marijuana tax equal to 100 percent of state and local excise, sales and use taxes on sales of marijuana for any individual or entity not affiliated with the tribe.

- The compacting authorization goes into effect July 24, 2015.