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Trade policy advisory group. Establishes a trade policy advisory group to advise and assist the governor and the legislature regarding government procurement agreements of United States trade agreements. The 12 member advisory group consists of representatives of organized labor, environmental interests, family farmers, business and industry, non-profit organizations focused on international trade and development, and members of the house and senate. Advisory group members serve two-year terms. Others representing state agencies, industry, trade and labor organizations, non-governmental organizations, and local governments may join as non-voting members. The advisory group is charged with advising the governor and other lawmakers, assessing trade agreement impacts on the state's economy, and requesting and receiving information from the United States trade representative. The advisory group must report to the legislature at least once per fiscal year.