State Border Towns and Resilience: Barriers to Interstate Intergovernmental Cooperation

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Interlocal Cooperation Act

Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations
“In the event that an agreement entered into pursuant to this chapter is between or among one or more public agencies of this state and one or more public agencies of another state or of the United States the agreement shall have the status of an interstate compact . . .”

RCW 39.34.040
“No state, shall without the Consent of Congress . . . enter into any Agreement or Compact with another state”

U.S. Const. Art. I, sec. 10, cl. 3.
Consent transforms a compact into federal law.

“A state can impose state law on a compact organization only if the compact specifically reserves its right to do so.”

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“Any power or powers, privileges or authority exercised or capable of exercise by a public agency of this state may be exercised and enjoyed jointly with any other public agency of this state [having the power or powers, privilege or authority] . . .”