

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1212

As Reported By House Committee On:
Education

Title: An act relating to youth shows and fairs.

Brief Description: Changing the approval authority for state allocations for youth shows and fairs.

Sponsors: Representatives Dorn, Brumsickle, Hansen, Chappell, Lisk, Grant, Riley, Rayburn, Rust and Kremen.

Brief History:

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 19 members:
Representatives Dorn, Chair; Cothorn, Vice Chair; Brough, Ranking Minority Member; Thomas, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Brumsickle; Carlson; G. Cole; Eide; G. Fisher; Hansen; Holm; Jones; Karahalios; J. Kohl; Patterson; Pruitt; Roland; Stevens; and Vance.

Staff: Shirley Leckman (786-7291).

Background: The legislature has declared that it is in the public interest to hold agricultural fairs, and that these fairs serve to train youth and promote the welfare of farm people and rural living. The responsibility for approving the largest of the categories of agricultural fairs, "youth shows and fairs" was originally delegated to Washington State University in conjunction with the Washington State Board for Vocational Education, later changed to Washington Work Force Training and Education Coordinating Board. This function has been deemed to be beyond the board's normal scope of responsibilities, but within the scope of activities performed by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Summary of Bill: The existing statute transfers the responsibility for approving youth shows and fairs shared with Washington State University, from the Washington Work Force Training and Education Coordinating Board to the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: The function of approving fairs should be with the Superintendent of Public Instruction, who is more involved in these matters than the Washington Work Force Training and Education Coordinating Board.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: Roger L. Roberts, Washington State Department of Agriculture.