

HOUSE BILL REPORT

ESB 6651

As Passed House:

February 28, 1996

Title: An act relating to storage of public records on compact discs.

Brief Description: Allowing public record storage on compact disc.

Sponsors: Senators Finkbeiner, Drew, Haugen, Swecker, Winsley, Johnson and Strannigan.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Government Operations: 2/21/96, 2/23/96 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 2/28/96, 96-0.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 15 members: Representatives Reams, Chairman; Cairnes, Vice Chairman; Goldsmith, Vice Chairman; Rust, Ranking Minority Member; Scott, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Conway; R. Fisher; Hargrove; Honeyford; Hymes; Mulliken; Scheuerman; D. Schmidt; Van Luven and Wolfe.

Staff: Scott White (786-7153).

Background: State law requires various types of public records to be filed and stored. Public records may be stored in a variety of formats, including paper, photographs, film, sound recordings, map drawings, machine-readable material, among others.

Summary of Bill: The compact disc is added to the list of allowable forms by which public records are to be stored.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: The compact disc is a cheaper and more efficient way to store data compared to most other methods. This bill simply provides for an alternative to the existing methods of data storage.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Senator Finkbeiner, prime sponsor; and Jim Sweeney and Nancy Richards, CDCOM.