

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5401

As Passed Senate, March 13, 1999

Title: An act relating to hydraulic projects.

Brief Description: Repealing an obsolete provision pertaining to hydraulic project applications.

Sponsors: Senator Haugen.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation: 2/3/99, 2/15/99 [DP].
Passed Senate, 3/13/99, 48-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, PARKS & RECREATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; T. Sheldon, Vice Chair; Hargrove, Morton, Oke, Rossi, Snyder, Spanel and Stevens.

Staff: Vic Moon (786-7469)

Background: The major flooding in western Washington in 1990 necessitated some changes to the Hydraulics Act in order to achieve restoration of damaged lands. The Legislature granted special exemptions for flood damage mitigation for Whatcom County. That operation is complete and the need for legislative authorization no longer exists.

Summary of Bill: RCW 75.21.001 is repealed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: The statutes being repealed have served their purpose and are no longer needed.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Peter Birch, Dept. of Fish and Wildlife (pro).