

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 2655

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Government Operations & Elections, February 21, 2006

Title: An act relating to disbursement of the metropolitan park district fund.

Brief Description: Modifying disbursement of the metropolitan park district fund.

Sponsors: Representatives Takko, Orcutt, Dunn and Fromhold.

Brief History: Passed House: 2/08/06, 98-0.

Committee Activity: Government Operations & Elections: 2/21/06 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & ELECTIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Kastama, Chair; Berkey, Vice Chair; Roach, Ranking Minority Member; Benton, Fairley, Haugen, Kline, McCaslin, Mulliken and Pridemore.

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Background: A metropolitan park district (MPD) is a junior taxing district that has two regular property tax levies available: one of 50 cents per thousand dollars assessed valuation (AV) and one of 25 cents. They are considered as one levy for the purposes of levy limits.

Funds collected as the result of a metropolitan park district general tax levy and held in a separate fund by the County Treasurer are disbursed by warrant.

Summary of Bill: Metropolitan park district general tax levy funds held by the county treasurer may be disbursed by way of electronic funds transfers that meet applicable documentation and accounting procedures.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

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

Testimony For: This is a housekeeping bill. It brings us into the electronic age. It allows funds to be disbursed electronically or by warrant. The bill is supported by the treasurers.

Testimony Against: None.

Who Testified: PRO: Representative Takko, Sponsor; Doug Lasher, Clark County Treasurer.