

**SENATE BILL REPORT**

**SHB 1563**

**AS OF MARCH 18, 1991**

**Brief Description:** Creating a facility land bank.

**SPONSORS:** House Committee on Capital Facilities & Financing (originally sponsored by Representatives Schmidt, H. Sommers, Anderson, Belcher, Neher, Brumsickle, Betrozoff and Rasmussen; by request of Department of General Administration).

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL FACILITIES & FINANCING**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS**

**Staff:** Martin Lovinger (786-7443)

**Hearing Dates:**

**BACKGROUND:**

The Department of General Administration (GA) has a number of responsibilities related to the acquisition and management of state facilities.

The State Capitol Committee is responsible for adopting the capitol campus master plan, approving construction on the Capitol grounds, and approving acquisition of real estate in Thurston County. The State Capitol Committee consists of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and the Commissioner of Public Lands.

**SUMMARY:**

A facility land bank is created within the Department of General Administration (GA). GA may acquire real property or interests in real property for the facility land bank upon approval of the State Capitol Committee. Property so acquired must be consistent with a capital plan approved by the Office of Financial Management, and desirable as a potential location for state offices or facilities.

GA is prohibited from using the right of eminent domain to acquire property for the facility land bank. GA must not acquire property for the facility land bank where development of state offices or facilities will not occur for ten or more years, unless a longer term capital plan has been approved by the Office of Financial Management.

GA may sell property held within the land bank to state agencies or other buyers at fair market value, and exchange property within the land bank for property of equal value.

All sales or exchanges of property held within the facility land bank must be approved by the State Capitol Committee.

A state lands management fund (SLMF) is created to fund facility land bank acquisitions. The SLMF is subject to appropriation, and may be used to defray purchase and transaction costs incurred by GA. Proceeds from the sale of any property held in the facility land bank must be deposited into the SLMF. Expenditures from the SLMF must be approved by the State Capitol Committee.

A three-member technical advisory committee is created to provide advice and counsel to the State Capitol Committee regarding sales, purchases, and exchanges of facility land bank property.

GA must provide annual reports to the Legislature describing acquisitions, exchanges, and sales of facility land bank properties.

**Appropriation:** none

**Revenue:** none

**Fiscal Note:** available

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1991