

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5943

AS OF MARCH 11, 1991

Brief Description: Limiting the costs of the Washington state lottery.

SPONSORS: Senator Craswell.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Staff: Terry Wilson (786-7715)

Hearing Dates:

BACKGROUND:

While the costs of administration of the state lottery are appropriated, retailer discounts, advertising, and other costs of goods sold are non-appropriated and are determined by the Lottery Commission. These latter costs amounted to 10.4 percent of gross annual revenues accruing from the sale of lottery tickets and shares for the 1989-91 biennium.

SUMMARY:

Total annual costs for retailer discounts, advertising, and other costs of goods sold shall not exceed 7.8 percent of gross annual revenues accruing from the sale of lottery tickets or shares.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: requested March 11, 1991

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.