HOUSE BILL REPORT SHB 1910

As Passed Legislature

Title: An act relating to creating an inventory system for state-owned or leased facilities.

Brief Description: Creating an inventory system for state-owned or leased facilities.

Sponsors: By House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Silver, Wang, Sommers, Brough, Mielke, Foreman, Dyer, Brumsickle, Long, Edmondson, Horn, Casada, Wood, Flemming, Morton, Miller, Cooke, Forner and Anderson.)

Brief History:

Reported by House Committee on:
Capital Budget, March 3, 1993, DPS;
Passed House, March 11, 1993, 98-0;
Amended by Senate;
Passed Legislature, April 24, 1993, 95-0.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL BUDGET

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 15 members: Representatives Wang, Chair; Ogden, Vice Chair; Sehlin, Ranking Minority Member; Morton, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Brough; Eide; R. Fisher; Heavey; Jacobsen; Jones; Ludwig; Romero; Silver; Sommers; and Thomas.

Staff: Karl Herzog (786-7271).

Background: The Office of Financial Management (OFM) is the executive branch agency responsible for state budget planning and administration. OFM maintains a statewide accounting system, controls and monitors the expenditure of state funds, maintains central budgeting and asset databases, forecasts population trends, and conducts long-range budget planning.

The Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, in the Department of Community Development, is charged with preparing nominations to the state and national registers of historic places, establishing a matching grant program for historic site preservation, promoting historic preservation

efforts, and maintaining a state register of historical, architectural, archaeological and cultural sites.

Several state facility management studies conducted during the late 1980's identified a need for accurate and timely information describing the amount and condition of stateowned and leased facilities.

Summary of Bill: The Office of Financial Management (OFM) must develop and maintain an inventory system to account for all owned or leased facilities utilized by the state. Only facilities with walls and a roof must be included in the inventory system. Roads, bridges, parking areas, utility systems, and other similar improvements to real property are not required to be inventoried. The inventory system must include the location, type, and size of each facility. In addition, for owned facilities, the system must include the date and cost of original construction and the cost of any major remodelling or renovation. The system must be developed by January 1, 1994. The initial inventory must be completed by June 30, 1994, and updated annually.

All state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, and institutions must provide a complete inventory of owned and leased facilities to the Office of Financial Management by May 30, 1994. These inventories must be in a standard format prescribed by the Office of Financial Management, and must be updated annually.

The Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation must provide state agencies with a list of properties currently included on the National Register of Historic Places. The office must also provide technical information on the identification of historic properties and the criteria for facilities to be placed on the National Register of Historic Places to agency staff. State agencies must, in turn, provide the office with a list of properties that are at least 50 years old, or that may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The office must compile and disseminate an inventory of state-owned historic properties by June 30, 1995.

Fiscal Note: Requested February 25, 1993.

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

Testimony For: The state currently does not maintain an accurate record of the number, size, or location of state-owned facilities. This information has been requested by the Legislature several times in recent years and is also of

interest to the Office of Financial Management and the Department of General Administration.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: Representative Jean Silver, prime sponsor; Grant Fredricks, Department of General Administration (pro); and John Fricke, Office of Financial Management (pro).