

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 1005

AS OF FEBRUARY 15, 1994

Brief Description: Adding student members to the governing boards of institutions of higher education.

SPONSORS: House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Jacobsen, Wood, Ogden, Schmidt, Dellwo, Miller, Sheldon, Basich, Franklin, Mielke, Ludwig, Morris, J. Kohl, Wineberry, Anderson, Orr, Brumsickle, Kremen, H. Myers, Pruitt, Romero, Van Luven, Long, King, Springer, Dyer, Brown, Quall, Veloria, Chappell, Leonard, Edmondson, Sehlin, Rayburn, Flemming, Roland, Karahalios, Shin and Hansen)

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Staff: Jean Six (786-7423)

Hearing Dates: March 26, 1993; February 22, 1994

BACKGROUND:

The public research institutions, the University of Washington and Washington State University, are each governed by a board of regents. Each board has nine members appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate to serve six-year terms.

The regional universities, Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University, and Western Washington University, are governed by a seven-member board of trustees appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate to serve a term of six years.

The research universities allow one graduate student, one undergraduate student and one representative of the faculty senate to serve as advisory members to the boards. The advisory members are presidents of their respective associations. Advisory members do not vote but do have a formal place on the agenda at each board meeting.

The regional universities have the chair of the faculty senate and the student body president sit as advisory members to the board. Central includes the chair of the association of administrators. Eastern's board receives from the advisory members a written and an oral report at each meeting. Advisory members do not vote.

SUMMARY:

One undergraduate student and one graduate student are appointed to the board of regents of the University of Washington. One undergraduate student and one graduate student are appointed to the board of regents of Washington State University. One undergraduate student is appointed to the board of trustees of each of the regional universities and The Evergreen State College.

The student members are appointed by the Governor from a list of no fewer than three names for each position submitted by the governing board of the recognized student government. The student members of the board serve for a term of two years.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: requested