

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1062

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, MARCH 25, 1993

Brief Description: Repealing the sunset provisions for the IMPACT center.

SPONSORS: Representatives Rayburn, Chandler, Schoesler, Kremen, Grant, Roland, Sheahan, Lemmon, Morton and Lisk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE & RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators M. Rasmussen, Chairman; Loveland, Vice Chairman; Barr, Newhouse, and Snyder.

Staff: Bob Lee (786-7404)

Hearing Dates: March 18, 1993; March 25, 1993

BACKGROUND:

The International Marketing Program for Agricultural Commodities and Trade (IMPACT) at Washington State University was created to address international marketing problems and opportunities and to provide related instruction, all with an emphasis on practical solutions to problems.

The program was created on a provisional basis in 1984 and given permanent status in 1985. Absent further legislation, the IMPACT Center will terminate on June 30, 1996.

SUMMARY:

The IMPACT Center at Washington State University is removed from termination under the Sunset Act.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: available

TESTIMONY FOR:

Considerable time and expense was involved in undergoing the sunset review process that could have been spent on resolving issues relating to agricultural product marketing. The recently completed sunset review indicated positive accomplishments of the Impact Center.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Des O'Rourke, Impact Center