

SENATE BILL REPORT

ESHB 1524

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS, APRIL 13, 1993

Brief Description: Making supplemental appropriations.

SPONSORS: House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Locke, Silver and Valle; by request of Office of Financial Management)

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Rinehart, Chairman; Spanel, Vice Chairman; Bauer, Gaspard, Hargrove, Jesernig, Owen, Pelz, Quigley, Snyder, Sutherland, Williams, and Wojahn.

Staff: Steve Jones (786-7440)

Hearing Dates: April 13, 1993

BACKGROUND:

The agencies and institutions of the state receive appropriations for a two-year fiscal period beginning on July 1 of odd-numbered years. Supplemental appropriations are adopted in each of the two succeeding years.

SUMMARY:

Governor Lowry's proposed 1993 supplemental budget for the 1991-93 fiscal biennium totals \$40.0 million. The supplemental budget adopted by the House of Representatives reduced the amount to \$31.3 million.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

A net of \$31.5 million is appropriated to the agencies of the state. Major components of the supplemental budget include \$41.3 million for increased enrollments and staff costs in the K-12 education system, a savings of \$38.3 million in the Department of Social and Health Services, and \$10.9 million for new facilities in the Department of Corrections.

Appropriation: yes

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested

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

TESTIMONY FOR:

Additional funds are needed for DSHS' computer system for the Division of Children and Family Services. In addition, funds are needed for legal costs associated with the state's defense of tribal shellfish rights litigation because the case has recently been set for trial.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Jean Soliz, Secretary, Department of Social and Health Services; Ed Manary, Department of Fisheries