

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 1767

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION, APRIL 2, 1993

**Brief Description:** Encouraging minimum standards for intercollegiate coaches at community and technical colleges.

**SPONSORS:** House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Basich, Jacobsen, Brumsickle, Dellwo, Leonard, J. Kohl, Ogden, Quall, Bray, Kessler, Shin and Johanson)

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION**

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**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Bauer, Chairman; Drew, Vice Chairman; Jesernig, Prince, and Sheldon.

**Staff:** Scott Huntley (786-7421)

**Hearing Dates:** March 31, 1993; April 2, 1993

**BACKGROUND:**

Intercollegiate sports are an important component of the educational experience. Participants can receive physical, social, emotional and intellectual benefits. The quality of the benefits a participant receives, however, can be influenced by the qualifications and competency of the coach. Current Washington statutes do not require registration or certification of community college intercollegiate coaches.

**SUMMARY:**

The State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, in consultation with the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges, will encourage minimum standards for intercollegiate coaches. Three minimum standards are listed: (1) up-to-date certification in CPR and first aid; (2) knowledge of Northwest Athletic Association rules; and (3) participation by coaches in in-service training and activities.

The State Board for Community and Technical Colleges will report to the Legislature by December 30, 1994, on the process for determining the qualifications of intercollegiate coaches and make recommendations for improving the knowledge and competence of coaches. The State Board for Community and Technical Colleges is also encouraged to provide training for coaches involved in common schools, youth groups, and community sports.

**Appropriation:** none

**Revenue:** none

**Fiscal Note:** available

**TESTIMONY FOR:**

This bill will help to encourage greater training and competency for coaches at the community college level.

**TESTIMONY AGAINST:** None

**TESTIFIED:** Representative Basich, original prime sponsor (pro)