SENATE BILL REPORT

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AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, MARCH 26, 1993

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

SPONSORS: 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)

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL BUDGET

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chairman; Drew, Vice Chairman; Loveland, Oke, von Reichbauer, and Winsley.

Staff: Barbara Howard (786-7410)

Hearing Dates: March 25, 1993; March 26, 1993

BACKGROUND:

The Office of Financial Management (OFM) is responsible for state budget planning and administration, including the capital budget. OFM also maintains the statewide accounting system, controls and monitors the expenditure of state funds, and conducts long-range budget planning.

The Department of General Administration (GA) provides engineering, architectural, construction management, and leasing services for state agency facilities. All agencies except the four-year universities, The Evergreen State College, the Liquor Control Board for liquor stores and warehouses, the Department of Transportation, and the natural resource agencies are required to utilize GA's facility services.

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 state-owned and leased facilities.

SUMMARY:

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. "Facilities" is defined as buildings with walls and a roof. Roads, bridges, parking areas, utility systems, and other similar improvements

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to real property are not required to be inventoried. The inventory system must include the location, type, and size of each facility. For owned facilities, the system must include the date and cost of original construction and the cost of any major remodeling 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 prepared in a standard format prescribed by the Office of Financial Management, and must be updated annually.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED SENATE AMENDMENT:

The office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation must provide each state agency with a list of the agency's property currently on the National Register of Historic Places by January 2, 1994. In turn, agencies must provide the office with a list of properties that are at least 50 years old or that may be eligible for the National Register by January 2, 1995. If funds are available, the office may provide grants to develop the lists. An inventory of state-owned historic places must be prepared by June 30, 1995.

The office convenes a task force to assist in developing recommendations for state agency historic preservation guidelines. The recommendations must be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature by October 31, 1995.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: available

TESTIMONY FOR:

In order to improve our capital budgeting process, we need to have an accurate, centralized description of all state buildings, including cost records for construction and remodeling. The data base for leased facilities is relatively complete, but the inventory for state-owned buildings must be improved.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Representative Jean Silver, original prime sponsor (pro)

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