

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5749

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, FEBRUARY 26, 1993

Brief Description: Modifying compensation of forest practices board members.

SPONSORS: Senators Haugen and von Reichbauer

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Owen, Chairman; Hargrove, Vice Chairman; Erwin, Franklin, Oke, Snyder, and Spanel.

Staff: Vic Moon (786-7469)

Hearing Dates: February 24, 1993; February 26, 1993

BACKGROUND:

The Forest Practices Board is classified as a Class III group and is subject to compensation as provided in RCW 43.03.240. This compensation is \$50 a day. Since the board was created in 1975, responsibilities and work load of the board have increased to meet the requirements of a Class IV group as defined in RCW 43.03.250. The compensation for a Class IV group is \$100 a day.

RCW 43.03.250 sets standards for Class IV groups which apply to the Forest Practices Board: it is a part-time board, it has rule-making authority, and requires service of its members which will require a significant demand on their time in excess of 100 hours of meeting time per year.

SUMMARY:

The Forest Practices Board is classified as a Class IV group and will receive \$100 a day for compensation.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: available

TESTIMONY FOR:

The board has a work load which has greatly increased in the last two years and they will continue to be active because of the broad authority given the board by the Legislature.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Jennifer Belcher, Commissioner of Public Lands