# FINAL BILL REPORT

### SB 6254

### FULL VETO

# AS PASSED LEGISLATURE

Brief Description: Authorizing counties to file claims against escheat property for funeral or burial expenses of indigent persons.

SPONSORS: Senators Fraser, Loveland, M. Rasmussen and Winsley

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

# BACKGROUND:

County commissioners are required to provide for the disposition of the remains of indigent persons when the body is unclaimed by relatives or a church organization. The county has no right to recover its costs from property of the decedent which may transfer to the state because no heirs exist.

# SUMMARY:

The county legislative authority may file a claim against any property of a decedent which reverts to the state for funeral or burial expenses the county is required to incur.

# VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

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