

**SENATE BILL REPORT**

**SB 6266**

**AS PASSED SENATE, FEBRUARY 15, 1994**

**Brief Description:** Authorizing sewer district commissioners of a merged district to fulfill their terms of office.

**SPONSORS:** Senators Haugen and Winsley

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chairman; Drew, Vice Chairman; Loveland, McCaslin, Oke, Owen and Winsley.

**Staff:** Eugene Green (786-7405)

**Hearing Dates:** February 1, 1994; February 4, 1994

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**BACKGROUND:**

In all of the following instances, all commissioners remain as commissioners until their respective terms of office expire: consolidation of two or more sewer districts; consolidation of two or more water districts; merger of one or more water districts into a sewer district; merger of one or more sewer districts into a water district; and merger of two water districts. The only instance when commissioners cease to hold office before their respective terms expire is upon the merger of two sewer districts.

**SUMMARY:**

The sewer commissioners of the merging district shall hold office as commissioners of the new consolidated sewer district until their respective terms of office expire.

**Appropriation:** none

**Revenue:** none

**Fiscal Note:** none requested

**TESTIMONY FOR:**

Makes procedure for members same as for other mergers and consolidations. The people will feel represented.

**TESTIMONY AGAINST:** None

**TESTIFIED:** Dave Ducharme, WA Sewer and Water Assn.

**HOUSE AMENDMENT(S):**

The House striking amendment states that if any of the commissioners of the merging sewer district resigns or a vacancy occurs, a person shall not be appointed to fill the position.