

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HJM 4000

As Reported By House Committee On:
Government Administration

Brief Description: Honoring law enforcement officers.

Sponsors: Representatives Sterk, O'Brien, Delvin, Robertson, Mulliken, Dickerson, Thompson, Hatfield, Conway, D. Sommers, Cooper, Boldt, Alexander, Cody, Murray, Costa, Sheahan, Buck, Schoesler, Sherstad, Ogden, Linville, Kessler, L. Thomas, Smith, Dyer, Chandler, Chopp and D. Schmidt.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Government Administration: 1/31/97, 2/4/97 [DP].

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 12 members: Representatives D. Schmidt, Chairman; D. Sommers, Vice Chairman; Scott, Ranking Minority Member; Gardner, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Doumit; Dunn; Dunshee; Reams; Smith; L. Thomas; Wensman and Wolfe.

Staff: Steve Lundin (786-7127).

Background: The Department of General Administration has custody and control over the capitol buildings and grounds, and supervises the proper care, heating, lighting, and repair of the buildings.

The State Capitol Committee consists of the Governor (or a designee), Lieutenant Governor, and Commissioner of Public Lands. The State Capitol Committee is authorized to erect buildings and make improvements on the capital grounds.

The Capitol Campus Design Advisory Committee is composed of eight persons, two members of the House of Representatives (one from each caucus), two members of the Senate (one from each caucus), and five appointees by the Governor, two being architects, one being a landscape architect, and one being an urban planner. The Capitol Campus Design Advisory Committee advises the State Capitol Committee on the capitol campus master plan, design and siting of facilities, and landscaping designs, including planting proposals, sculptures, and monuments.

Summary of Bill: The Legislature urges that the Department of General Administration and State Capitol Campus Design Committee work with the Washington State Law Enforcement Memorial Committee to design and construct a memorial honoring persons who have served as law enforcement officers.

Further, the Legislature urges that the Washington State Law Enforcement Memorial Committee recommend a site for the memorial to the State Capitol Campus Design Advisory Committee.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Testimony For: This won't cost the state anything. We should honor officers who have fallen in duty.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Representative Sterk, prime sponsor; Mike Patrick and Frank Kampsen, Washington State Council of Police Officers; and John Mansfield, Washington Association of State Police Chiefs.