

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 3050

As Passed House:

February 10, 1998

Title: An act relating to surplus passenger motor vehicles.

Brief Description: Regulating the sale of surplus state cars.

Sponsors: Representatives Smith, Carrell and D. Schmidt.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Government Administration: 2/5/98 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 2/10/98, 96-0.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 13 members: Representatives D. Schmidt, Chairman; D. Sommers, Vice Chairman; Scott, Ranking Minority Member; Gardner, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Doumit; Dunn; Dunshee; Murray; Reams; Smith; L. Thomas; Wensman and Wolfe.

Staff: Steve Lundin (786-7127).

Background: The Department of General Administration furnishes motor vehicle transportation services to all state agencies, including providing motor vehicles on a temporary or permanent basis and operating a motor pool in Olympia, Seattle, and other locations. Institutions of higher education are authorized to acquire and maintain passenger motor vehicles following guidelines established by the Department of General Administration.

The Division of Purchasing is created within the Department of General Administration to purchase materials, supplies, services, and equipment for all state institutions and agencies. An agency may make its own purchases if it notifies the Department of General Administration that it is more cost-effective for the agency to make the purchase itself.

The Division of Purchasing may sell or exchange personal property belonging to the state for which the agency having custody of the property no longer has further use.

Summary of Bill: An agency desiring to sell its vehicles may contract for the vehicles to be removed from its possession to the Department of General Administration's auction site, if the Department of General Administration is not able to remove surplus vehicles within five business days after being notified.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: This put the Department of General Administration's practices into statutory law.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Representative Smith, prime sponsor; and Pat Kohler, Department of General Administration.