HOUSE BILL ANALYSIS
SSB 6258

Title: An act relating to making technical corrections to the Revised Code of Washington.

Brief Description: Making technical corrections to the Revised Code of Washington.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Roach, Kline and Hargrove; by request of Statute Law Committee).

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

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Background: Each year the Statute Law Committee reviews the Revised Code of Washington and recommends legislation to make technical corrections in the code. Confusion in the code may result from double amendments (when the Legislature passes two bills amending the same section without reference to each other). Mistakes in the code may occur when words are inadvertently omitted in bill drafts and floor amendments.

Summary of Bill: Various technical corrections are made to the code, as recommended by the Statute Law Committee. The word or– is changed to of– to correct an error in the statute creating the crime of custodial interference in the first degree.

A cross-reference is corrected in the statute requiring lobbyists to register with the Public Disclosure Commission. The particular subsection of the RCW was changed from (4) to (5).

The statutes addressing the formula for determining the threshold unemployment level for the definition of distressed counties– inadvertently used the term employment– instead of unemployment.– The term is corrected. In addition, the expiration date of June 30, 2000, is included in the codified section, so that all session laws affecting the section are included in the expiration date.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed, except Section 5, which takes effect June 30, 2000.

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