

HOUSE BILL REPORT

SSB 6455

As Passed House - Amended:

March 5, 1998

Title: An act relating to the capital budget.

Brief Description: Adopting a supplemental capital budget.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Strannigan, West, Anderson, Fraser and Spanel; by request of Governor Locke).

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Capital Budget: 2/27/98, 3/2/98 [DPA].

Floor Activity:

Passed House - Amended: 3/5/98, 95-2.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL BUDGET

Majority Report: Do pass as amended. Signed by 11 members: Representatives Sehlin, Chairman; Honeyford, Vice Chairman; Ogden, Ranking Minority Member; Sullivan, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Costa; Hankins; Koster; Lantz; Mitchell; D. Sommers and H. Sommers.

Staff: Bill Robinson (786-7140).

Background: The programs and agencies of state government are funded on a two-year basis, with each fiscal biennium beginning on June 30 of even-numbered years. The capital budget generally includes appropriations for the acquisition, construction, and repair of capital assets such as land, buildings, and other infrastructure improvements. Funding for the capital budget is primarily from state general obligation bonds, with other funding derived from various dedicated taxes, fees, and state trust land timber revenues.

The 1997 Legislature appropriated \$1.88 billion for capital projects, of which \$906 million was from state bonds.

Summary of Bill: The 1998 supplemental capital budget is adopted. The budget authorizes \$62 million in new capital projects, of which \$17.7 million is from new state bonds.

The supplemental capital budget also authorizes state agencies to undertake various lease-purchase and lease-development projects, and approves the 1999 list of local projects for the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program. For additional information, see "1998 Supplemental Capital Budget Project List" published by the House Capital Budget Committee.

Appropriation: See above.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

Testimony For: See committee file.

Testimony Against: See committee file.

Testified: See committee file.