SENATE BILL REPORT

ESB 5220

As Passed Senate, March 5, 1997

Title: An act relating to minimum benefits in the Washington state patrol retirement system.

Brief Description: Establishing minimum benefits on the Washington state patrol retirement system.

Sponsors: Senators Long, Fraser, Winsley, Bauer, Franklin and Patterson; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 2/5/97, 2/6/97 [DP].

Passed Senate, 3/5/97, 46-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators West, Chair; Deccio, Vice Chair; Strannigan, Vice Chair; Bauer, Brown, Fraser, Hochstatter, Kohl, Long, McDonald, Roach, Rossi, Schow, Sheldon, Spanel, Swecker, Thibaudeau, Winsley and Zarelli.

Staff: Debrah Kime (786-7454)

Background: In the Washington State Patrol Retirement System (WSPRS), the minimum retirement allowance for members with at least 25 years of service and for surviving spouses of members with at least 25 years of service is \$500 per month. The minimum for those with less than 25 years of service is \$13 for each year of service if they are receiving Social Security.

Summary of Bill: The minimum retirement allowance for both members and surviving spouses is set at \$20 per month for each year of service.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 20, 1997.

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

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: No one.

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