FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5299

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Requiring that a petition of review be served upon local government.

Sponsors: Senators Swecker, Fraser and Oke.

Senate Committee on Agriculture & Environment House Committee on Government Reform & Land Use

Background: The Shoreline Management Act establishes a cooperative program of shoreline management between local governments and the state. Under the act, counties and cities are required to develop comprehensive shoreline use plans and development regulations. A shoreline substantial development permit is required for development in shorelines of the state.

The Shorelines Hearings Board is a quasi-judicial body established within the Environmental Hearings Office. The Shorelines Hearings Board determines appeals of Department of Ecology shoreline rules and appeals of local government decisions on shoreline permits. A petition for review of a local government shoreline decision must be filed with the Shorelines Hearings Board within 21 days of the decision, and copies must be served on the Department of Ecology and the Office of the Attorney General.

Summary: Copies of the petition for review of a local government shoreline decision must be served on the local government, in addition to the Department of Ecology and the Attorney General.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 47 0 House 96 1

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