

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 3032

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
State & Local Government, February 24, 2000

Title: An act relating to annexations by less than county-wide port districts in areas having no registered voters.

Brief Description: Extending annexation authority to certain port districts along the Interstate 90 corridor.

Sponsors: House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representative Mulliken).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: State & Local Government: 2/17/2000, 2/24/2000 [DPA, DNP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Majority Report: Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Patterson, Chair; Gardner, Vice Chair; Hale and Kline.

Minority Report: Do not pass.

Signed by Senator Horn.

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Background: A small, rural port district located in the Interstate 5 corridor may petition for annexation of a neighboring area if that area is not contained within another port district boundaries and if the area contains no registered voters. The petition must be in writing, filed with the port commission, and signed by owners of at least 75 percent of the property value in the area to be annexed.

Summary of Amended Bill: The authority for small, rural port districts to annex a neighboring area and that contains no registered voters is extended to a small, rural port district located in the Interstate 90 corridor (Grant County). Annexations in both the I-5 and I-90 corridors must comply with the Growth Management Act (GMA).

Amended Bill Compared to Substitute Bill: The striking amendment requires compliance with the GMA.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: Moses Lake needs this bill so that it can compete to be selected to be the Venture Star Space Vehicle Launch Site. Winning this job would be a tremendous boost for the economy.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: PRO: Representative Mulliken, prime sponsor; Albert E. Anderson, Port of Moses Lake; Scott Taylor, WPPA.