

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 5432

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Authorizing charitable deductions from retirement allowances.

**Sponsors:** Senators Fraser, Winsley, Fairley, Hale, Long, Heavey, Franklin, Rasmussen, Prentice, Costa, Jacobsen, Bauer and Kohl-Welles.

**Senate Committee on Ways & Means**

**House Committee on Appropriations**

**Background:** Under current law, state employees may arrange through the annual state Combined Fund Drive to have payments deducted from their pay for contributions to various charitable organizations. Under current law, the retirement allowances paid by the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) may not be assigned by the retiree, except pursuant to certain specific statutory exceptions. This general restriction prevents PERS retirees from being able to authorize automatic deductions to charitable organizations.

**Summary:** A PERS retiree or beneficiary is permitted to authorize deductions for charitable purposes on the same terms as employees who participate in the state Combined Fund Drive.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	45	0
House	93	0

**Effective:** July 25, 1999