

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SSB 5963

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As Passed Senate, March 24, 1999

**Title:** An act relating to fiscal matters.

**Brief Description:** Making fiscal year 1999 supplemental appropriations.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Loveland and Rasmussen).

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Ways & Means: 3/22/99 [DPS].  
Passed Senate, 3/24/99, 27-21.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

**Majority Report:** That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5963 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Loveland, Chair; Bauer, Vice Chair; Brown, Vice Chair; Fairley, Fraser, Kline, Kohl-Welles, Long, Rasmussen, B. Sheldon, Snyder, Spanel, Thibaudeau, Winsley and Wojahn.

**Staff:** Steve Jones (786-7440)

**Background:** The operating expenses of state government and its agencies and programs are funded on a biennial basis by an omnibus operations budget adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. The budget for the 1997-99 fiscal biennium was adopted by the 1997 Legislature and a supplemental budget was adopted in 1998.

State operating expenses are paid from the state General Fund and from various dedicated funds and accounts. The 1997 and 1998 Legislatures appropriated \$19.084 billion from the state General Fund.

**Summary of Bill:** Appropriations from various agencies are modified, with a net increase of \$71.9 million in appropriations from the state General Fund for fiscal year 1999. For additional information, see "1999 Supplemental Operating & Capital Budget Summary" and "Statewide Summary and Agency Detail" published by the Senate Ways & Means Committee.

**Appropriation:** See above.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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

**Testimony For:** None.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** No one.