

SENATE BILL REPORT

ESJM 8015

As Passed Senate, February 11, 2000

Brief Description: Requesting the office of minority and women's business enterprises to certify socially and economically disadvantaged businesses, including those owned by disabled persons

Sponsors: Senators Honeyford, Rasmussen, Fairley, Oke, Patterson, Heavey, Rossi, Hargrove, McAuliffe, Winsley, Bauer, Stevens and Kohl-Welles.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Commerce, Trade, Housing & Financial Institutions: 1/28/2000 [DP].

Passed Senate, 2/11/2000, 46-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, TRADE, HOUSING & FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Prentice, Chair; Shin, Vice Chair; Hale, Rasmussen, T. Sheldon and West.

Staff: Elizabeth Mitchell (786-7430)

Background: Businesses owned and controlled by disabled persons are not classified as minority business enterprises.

Summary of Bill: The Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises is requested to add a new limited category for certification which includes businesses owned and controlled by disabled persons who can demonstrate social and economic disadvantage.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Testimony For: The joint memorial will offer opportunities to disabled citizens.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Senator Honeyford; Charles Karczewski, Skip Dreps, Northwest Chapter of the Paralyzed Victims of America.