

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 2233

As Passed Legislature

Title: An act relating to contractual agreements with federal government for administration of state supplementation of supplemental security income.

Brief Description: Authorizing contractual agreements with federal government for administration of state supplementation of supplemental security income.

Sponsors: By Representatives H. Sommers and Sehlin.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Appropriations: 4/10/01, 4/11/01 [DP].

First Special Session

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 5/1/01, 92-0.

Second Special Session

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 6/4/01, 89-0.

Passed Senate: 6/8/01, 43-0.

Passed Legislature.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows the state to administer the state supplement payment to federal Supplemental Security Income.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 31 members: Representatives Sehlin, Republican Co-Chair; H. Sommers, Democratic Co-Chair; Barlean, Republican Vice Chair; Doumit, Democratic Vice Chair; Lisk, Republican Vice Chair; Alexander, Benson, Boldt, Buck, Clements, Cody, Cox, Dunshee, Fromhold, Gombosky, Grant, Kagi, Keiser, Kenney, Kessler, Lambert, Linville, Mastin, Mulliken, Pearson, Pflug, Ruderman, D. Schmidt, Schual-Berke, Talcott and Tokuda.

Staff: Heather Flodstrom (786-7391).

Background:

When the federal government authorized Supplemental Security Income (SSI), it allowed the states to provide an additional state supplement payment to their residents who were receiving federal SSI. The federal government also allowed states to administer the state supplement payment independently, or to contract with the federal government for administration of the state supplement payment.

Washington chose to contract with the federal government for administration of the state supplement payment, and it has been paying the federal government a fee for this service.

Summary of Bill:

The state is no longer required to contract with the federal government for administration of the state supplement payment. The state may either contract with the federal government or independently administer the program.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: None.