

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1546

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
State & Local Government, March 21, 2001

Title: An act relating to address confidentiality for victims of stalking.

Brief Description: Authorizing address confidentiality for victims of stalking.

Sponsors: By Representatives Schual-Berke, Campbell, Ballasiotes, D. Schmidt, Simpson, Conway, Keiser, Darneille, Kagi, Woods, Ruderman, Hurst and McIntire; by request of Secretary of State.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: State & Local Government: 3/21/01 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Patterson, Chair; Fairley, Vice Chair; Hale, Haugen, Horn, Kline, McCaslin, Roach, T. Sheldon and Swecker.

Staff: Eugene Green (786-7405)

Background: The Address Confidentiality Program in the Office of Secretary of State enables state and local agencies to respond to requests for public records without disclosing the location of a victim of domestic violence or sexual assault.

Summary of Bill: Victims of stalking may participate in the Address Confidentiality Program.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: This is needed legislation and can be of great help to those who need this confidentiality. The program has been a success and has been copied by other states.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Margaret McKinney, ACP; Lonnie Johns-Brown, WA Coal. of Sexual Assault Programs (pro).