SENATE BILL REPORT
SB 5088

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As of January 18, 2001

Title: An act relating to nonpartisan sheriffs.

Brief Description: Making the office of sheriff nonpartisan.

Sponsors: Senators Haugen, Rasmussen, Winsley, T. Sheldon, Patterson, Carlson and McCaslin.

Brief History:
Committee Activity: State & Local Government: 1/24/01.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Staff: Eugene Green (786-7405)

Background: The office of sheriff is a partisan office in all counties, except those with home rule charters. In the five counties with home rule charters, the office of sheriff is as follows: Clallam, King, Snohomish, Whatcom " nonpartisan; Pierce " appointed.

Summary of Bill: The office of sheriff is a nonpartisan office, except in a county for which the county home rule charter provides otherwise.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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