

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 5870

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As Passed Senate, March 7, 2001

**Title:** An act relating to clarifying the deadline for primary contributions to candidates who do not advance to the general election.

**Brief Description:** Clarifying the deadline for primary contributions to candidates who do not advance to the general election.

**Sponsors:** Senators Spanel, Horn, McCaslin, Snyder, Patterson and Kohl-Welles.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** State & Local Government: 2/21/01, 2/26/01 [DP].

Passed Senate: 3/7/01, 41-8.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

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

**Staff:** Aaron Jennings (786-7445)

**Background:** Contributions made to a candidate for the state Legislature for the candidate's primary campaign cannot be made after the date of the primary. There is no limit on when a candidate may begin accepting campaign contributions, but a candidate for a state office must begin making campaign contribution reports within two weeks of accepting contributions.

**Summary of Bill:** Contributions made to a candidate for the candidate's primary campaign cannot be made after the date of the primary if the candidate is to appear on the general election ballot. If a candidate is not to appear on the general election ballot, the candidate may receive contributions for that candidate's primary campaign until 30 days after the primary.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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

**Testimony For:** This bill would allow a candidate to collect money, so to pay a debt.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** PRO: Vicki Rippie, PDC.

