

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6396

As of February 2, 2004

Title: An act relating to municipal officers' interests in public contracts.

Brief Description: Revising provisions relating to municipal officers' interests in public contracts.

Sponsors: Senators Winsley and Kastama.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Government Operations & Elections: 2/3/04.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & ELECTIONS

Staff: Mac Nicholson (786-7445)

Background: With limited exceptions, municipal officers are prohibited from benefitting, directly or indirectly, in any contract made by the officer. One such exception allows a municipal officer to benefit from a municipal contract when the city has a population of less than 10,000 and the total amount received under the contract does not exceed \$1,500 in any month; or the contract may exceed \$1,500 in any month but cannot exceed \$18,000 in any calendar year.

A municipal officer is defined as all elected and appointed officers of a municipality, together with all deputies and assistants.

Summary of Bill: The population threshold for a city above which a municipal officer cannot benefit from a municipal contract is changed from 10,000 to 40,000.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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