

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 1206

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Judiciary, March 31, 2005

**Title:** An act relating to repeal of obsolete or superseded laws.

**Brief Description:** Repealing obsolete or superseded laws.

**Sponsors:** Representative O'Brien.

**Brief History:** Passed House: 2/04/05, 96-0.

**Committee Activity:** Judiciary: 3/31/05 [DPA].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

**Majority Report:** Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Weinstein, Vice Chair; Carrell, Esser, Hargrove, McCaslin, Rasmussen and Thibaudeau.

**Staff:** Cindy Fazio (786-7405)

**Background:** Labor laws, through a statute enacted in 1961, makes it a gross misdemeanor for any person not directly involved in a labor strike or lockout to recruit and bring in out-of-state workers to replace the workers on strike or involved in the lockout. In *State v. Labor Ready, Inc.*, 103 Wn. App. 775 (2000), the court of appeals held that the statute was preempted by the federal National Labor Relations Act.

Liquor statutes, various statutes with some enacted since 1873, authorized county commissioners to license persons dealing with intoxicating liquors. More recent statutes provide that the licensing of liquor sales is the state's function and no municipality or county has the power to license the sale of liquor.

Ambulance drivers-A 1945 statute requires ambulance drivers to take the advanced first aid course as prescribed by the American Red Cross and to be equipped with the standard American Red Cross first aid kit and leg and arm splints. Failure to comply with these requirements is a misdemeanor.

More recent statutes require the Department of Health to establish minimum requirements for ambulance and aid services. An ambulance must have at least one emergency medical technician (EMT) on board, and the driver, if not an EMT, must have at least a certificate of advance first aid qualifications. If there are two EMTs on board, the driver need not have a first aid certificate.

**Summary of Amended Bill:** The statutes dealing with bringing in out-of-state workers in a labor dispute, local authority to license liquor sales, and ambulance emergency medical technician requirements are repealed.

**Amended Bill Compared to Original Bill:** Two sections, making the slander of a woman a crime, and creating the testimony requirements necessary for a conviction, are removed.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

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

**Testimony For:** None.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Who Testified:** No one.