

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6220

As of January 29, 2006

Title: An act relating to the lay off or reduction in force of city or town employees.

Brief Description: Preventing cities or towns from laying off employees to then hire inmate labor.

Sponsors: Senators Keiser, Kline and Kohl-Welles.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Labor, Commerce, Research & Development: 1/31/06.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

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Background: Unless prohibited by the term of a collective bargaining agreement or other local government policies, cities and towns can layoff permanent employees for various reasons.

Summary of Bill: No city or town may layoff or conduct a reduction in force affecting permanent employees and fill the positions formerly occupied by permanent employees with inmates provided through the correctional industries program.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 29, 2006.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

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