

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 6104

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Addressing state agency hours of operation.

**Sponsors:** Senators Prentice and Tom; by request of Office of Financial Management and Department of Personnel.

**Senate Committee on Ways & Means**  
**House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs**

**Background:** State law requires all state offices to be open for business from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, with an exception for legal holidays. In addition, the state Public Records Act requires state agencies to make public records available for inspection and copying during customary office hours of at least 30 hours per week or from 9:00 a.m. until noon and from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, with an exception for legal holidays.

**Summary:** State offices must be open at least 40 hours per week and public records must be available for inspection and copying at least 30 hours per week. Specific times of day are not specified. Exceptions are allowed for weeks that include legal holidays. Agencies and offices must post customary business hours on their websites and otherwise make their business hours known to the public.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	44	0	
House	98	0	(House amended)
Senate	49	0	(Senate concurred)

**Effective:** July 26, 2009

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