

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 1218

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Making technical corrections to the Revised Code of Washington.

Sponsors: House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Goodman and Rodne; by request of Statute Law Committee).

House Committee on Judiciary
Senate Committee on Judiciary

Background:

Technical errors and inaccuracies may develop in the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) for a variety of reasons. Many of these errors are the result of successive amendments to the same section of law over several years. Others are the result of simple drafting errors or failure to find and amend every statute that contains a reference to another statute that has been repealed or amended in a way that makes the reference incorrect.

The Office of the Code Reviser, under the direction of the Statute Law Committee, is authorized to correct certain "manifest errors" in the statutes. These errors may include such things as mistakes in spelling or obvious clerical or typographical errors. The Code Reviser is also authorized to recommend to the Legislature changes regarding deficiencies, conflicts, or obsolescence, and the need for reorganization in the statutes.

Summary:

Technical corrections are made to various provisions of the RCW. The technical corrections include changes to merge double amendments and to correct inaccurate references and cross-references resulting from amendments, drafting errors, or repealers. In addition, changes are made to address drafting errors relating to the effect of expiration dates in amendatory sections.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	94	0
Senate	49	0

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