

HOUSE BILL REPORT

ESHB 2722

As Passed House:
February 13, 2012

Title: An act relating to surplus property.

Brief Description: Concerning surplus property.

Sponsors: House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Parker, Dunshee, Warnick, Zeiger, Angel and Santos).

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Capital Budget: 1/31/12, 2/1/12, 2/2/12 [DPS].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 2/13/12, 98-0.

Brief Summary of Engrossed Substitute Bill

- Requires the Department of Enterprise Services (DES) to report surplus property to the Legislature every two years.
- Requires the DES to report to the Legislature any property to be actively listed for sale at least nine months prior to listing the property.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL BUDGET

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 11 members: Representatives Dunshee, Chair; Ormsby, Vice Chair; Warnick, Ranking Minority Member; Zeiger, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Asay, Jinkins, Lytton, Pearson, Smith, Tharinger and Wylie.

Staff: Steve Masse (786-7115).

Background:

Department of Enterprise Services.

The Department of Enterprise Services (DES) is authorized to sell property that belongs to the state if the agency having custody of the property no longer needs it. State agencies have

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first right of refusal and then other public entities before property is made available for sale to the general public. The proceeds of the sale of the property is deposited into the fund from which the property was originally purchased, or the State General Fund if the original fund no longer exists.

The DES is required to maintain a record of any surplus property disposed of including the date of sale, method of disposal, identity of recipient, and approximate value.

Summary of Engrossed Substitute Bill:

The DES is required to report every two years to the Legislature a list of surplus property including the listing price, the date it was listed, and sale price if it was sold.

The DES is required to report to the Legislature any property to be actively listed for sale at least nine months prior to listing the property.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) This will formalize a process to allow the OFM to work with the DES on providing information on surplus properties. A good mechanism is needed to identify what is surplus property and be able to take action on it.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: Representative Parker, prime sponsor; and Amy McMahan, Office of Financial Management.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.