

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5586

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections, January 19, 2012

Title: An act relating to the effect of zoning ordinances on motor vehicle collection and restoration.

Brief Description: Concerning the effect of zoning ordinances on motor vehicle collection and restoration.

Sponsors: Senators Carrell and Becker.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections: 2/15/11, 2/21/11 [DPS]; 1/16/12, 1/19/12 [DP2S].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, TRIBAL RELATIONS & ELECTIONS

Majority Report: That Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5586 be substituted therefor, and the second substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Pridemore, Chair; Benton, Chase and Nelson.

Staff: Sharon Swanson (786-7447)

Background: Residential zoning regulations are promulgated by local governments such as counties, cities, and towns to encourage patterns of residential development that serve community goals with respect to population density, neighborhood development, environmental quality, transportation, land use, and utility systems, among other goals.

Summary of Bill (Recommended Second Substitute): Hobby Vehicle Restoration is defined as the restoration of six or fewer vehicles that are 30 years or older of which the person restoring the vehicle has title and is actively restoring. An additional car may be utilized for parts salvage only. The vehicles must be maintained and stored in a location that is out of ordinary public view by means of suitable fencing, trees, shrubbery, or otherwise. To qualify as hobby vehicle restoration, the restoration of the vehicle must be an ancillary use of the property upon which the restoration takes place. A city or town is not limited from regulating hobby vehicle restoration.

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EFFECT OF CHANGES MADE BY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, TRIBAL RELATIONS & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE (Recommended Second Substitute): The second substitute amends the definition of hobby vehicle restoration to allow for six vehicles instead of four. Additionally, the second substitute requires that the vehicles being restored are maintained and stored in a location that is out of ordinary public view by means of suitable fencing, trees, shrubbery, or otherwise.

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.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony on Proposed Second Substitute: OTHER: The change to the definition of hobby car restoration from four cars to six cars is new. The substitute bill is more agreeable than the original; Pierce County is not entirely comfortable.

Persons Testifying: OTHER: George Walk, Pierce County.