

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6059

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Establishing the veterans' raffle.

Sponsors: Senators Conway, Kastama, Shin, Kohl-Welles and Roach.

Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection
House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs

Background: The Washington Lottery was established in 1982. Lottery revenues are used for the following purposes:

- Washington Opportunity Pathways Account;
- stadium bonds;
- problem gambling education;
- economic development; and
- General Fund.

In 2006 the Legislature established the Veterans Innovations Program (VIP) within the Department of Veterans Affairs. The purpose of the VIP is to provide crisis and emergency relief, education, training, and employment assistance to veterans and their families. The VIP terminates on June 30, 2016.

In 2011 the Legislature established the veterans' raffle. The Lottery Commission was directed to conduct an annual statewide raffle to benefit veterans and their families. The veterans' raffle tickets go on sale on Labor Day with a drawing to occur on Veteran's Day, November 11, of each year.

All revenues received from the sale of the tickets, less amounts paid out in prizes and actual administrative expenses related to the veteran lottery games, must be deposited into the VIP Account for purposes of serving veterans and their families.

Summary: The provision requiring the veterans' raffle tickets to go on sale beginning on Labor Day with a drawing to occur on Veteran's Day, November 11, of each year is removed.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	44	0
House	96	0

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