

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5401

As of February 16, 2015

Title: An act relating to allowing the Washington state liquor control board to accept donations for funding informational material for the purpose of improving public awareness about marijuana consumption.

Brief Description: Allowing the Washington state liquor control board to accept donations for funding informational material for the purpose of improving public awareness about marijuana consumption.

Sponsors: Senators Rivers, Hatfield, McAuliffe and Conway; by request of Liquor Control Board.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Commerce & Labor: 2/13/15.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

Staff: Richard Rodger (786-7461)

Background: The state Liquor Control Board (LCB) is authorized to accept grants or donations for the purpose of improving public health awareness of the health risks associated with alcohol consumption by both youth and adults.

Summary of Bill: LCB's authority to accept donations or grants is expanded to include the additional purpose of improving public awareness of the health risks associated with the use of marijuana.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: This bill simply allows LCB to accept donations to improve public awareness of the health risks associated with the use of marijuana.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Senator Rivers, prime sponsor; James Paribello, LCB.