# Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

## BILL ANALYSIS

## **Health Care & Wellness Committee**

## **SB 5375**

**Brief Description**: Renaming the cancer research endowment authority to the Andy Hill cancer research endowment.

**Sponsors**: Senators Fain, Braun, Angel, Brown, Becker, O'Ban, Miloscia, Schoesler, Bailey, Sheldon, Warnick, King, Rivers, Fortunato, Rossi, Baumgartner, Wilson, Honeyford, Padden, Zeiger, Ranker, Darneille, Palumbo, Pedersen, Pearson, Frockt and Hasegawa.

### **Brief Summary of Bill**

• Renames the Cancer Research Endowment Authority the Andy Hill Cancer Research Endowment.

**Hearing Date**: 3/21/17

Staff: Jim Morishima (786-7191).

### **Background:**

The Cancer Research Endowment Authority (CREA) makes grants to public and private entities, including commercial entities, for the promotion of cancer research. Grant funding comes from both private and public sources. The CREA evaluates requests for funding based on a variety of factors, including:

- the quality of the proposed research or program;
- the potential to improve health outcomes of people with cancer;
- the potential for leveraging additional funding;
- the potential to provide additional health care benefits;
- the potential to stimulate life science, health care, and biomedical employment in Washington;
- the geographic diversity of grantees;
- evidence of potential commercialization-related revenue; and
- evidence of public and private collaboration.

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The CREA is governed by a 13-member board and administered by a private, non-profit corporation with expertise in conducting or managing research granting activities, funds, or organizations.

Senator Andy Hill served in the Washington State Senate from 2011 until his death from lung cancer on October 31, 2016. Senator Hill served as the chair of the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

#### **Summary of Bill:**

The name of the Cancer Research Endowment Authority is changed to the Andy Hill Cancer Research Endowment.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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