

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 2290

As of February 19, 2018

Title: An act relating to simplifying the process for donating low-value surplus property owned by a city-owned utility.

Brief Description: Simplifying the process for donating low-value surplus property owned by a city-owned utility.

Sponsors: House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Wylie, Harris, Dolan and Stonier).

Brief History: Passed House: 2/13/18, 63-35.

Committee Activity: Local Government: 2/20/18.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows a city to dispose of its personal property or equipment that was originally acquired for public utility purposes and that is not required for providing continued public utility services, without adopting a resolution or holding a public hearing, if such property has an estimated value of \$50,000 or less.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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Background: A city may lease or sell any public utility land, property, or equipment it owns. The lease or sale is subject to a public bidding process and voter-approved ordinance, unless the city determines that the land, property, or equipment is surplus and not required for providing continued public utility service. If a city determines that any public utility land, property, or equipment is surplus and not required for providing continued public utility service, then the city may by resolution and after a public hearing lease, sell, or convey the land, property, or equipment.

Summary of Bill: A city may dispose of any personal property or equipment originally acquired for public utility purposes that is surplus to the city's needs and is not required for

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providing continued public utility services, without adopting a resolution or holding a public hearing, if such property has an estimated value of \$50,000 or less.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

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