

SENATE BILL REPORT

EHB 1192

As Passed Senate, April 6, 2021

Title: An act relating to making technical corrections and removing obsolete language from the Revised Code of Washington pursuant to RCW 1.08.025.

Brief Description: Making technical corrections and removing obsolete language from the Revised Code of Washington pursuant to RCW 1.08.025.

Sponsors: Representatives Goodman and Dufault; by request of Statute Law Committee.

Brief History: Passed House: 3/9/21, 59-37.

Committee Activity: Law & Justice: 3/23/21, 3/25/21 [DP].

Floor Activity: Passed Senate: 4/6/21, 49-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Corrects technical deficiencies in the Revised Code of Washington.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Pedersen, Chair; Dhingra, Vice Chair; Padden, Ranking Member; McCune, Assistant Ranking Member; Darneille, Holy, Kuderer, Salomon and Wagoner.

Staff: Tim Ford (786-7423)

Background: A curator of the law, the code reviser, makes recommendations to the Legislature for correction or removal of deficiencies, conflicts, or obsolete provisions of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW). These are technical non-substantive amendments to the RCW to fix internal references, cross references, obsolete terminology, double amendments, or otherwise improve the form of the RCW. All proposed legislation must be annotated to show the purposes, reasons, and history.

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Summary of Bill: Revisions are made to the RCW that:

- eliminate an obsolete section;
- merge double amendments created when sections were amended in 2020;
- update and correct many of the citations impacted by chapter 20, Laws of 2020;
- corrects an erroneous chapter reference in chapter 26.51; and
- clarify references to the effective date of chapter 11.130.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

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

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: The statute law committee oversees the publication of our laws, and clean ups are necessary. This bill is an annual bill to correct deficiencies in the law. They are technical amendments. Section 105 is to allow a smooth transition in minor guardianships.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Representative Roger Goodman, Prime Sponsor; Janet Helson, Judge, Superior Court Judges' Association.

OTHER: Kathleen Buchli, Code Reviser's Office.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: No one.