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SENATE BILL 5560

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By Senators Prince, Vognild, Wojahn, Amondson and Roach

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1 AN ACT Relating to consultants; amending RCW 43.09.230; and  
2 creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds and declares that the  
5 use of outside consultants is an increasing element in the public  
6 sector. The public has a right to be kept informed about the role of  
7 outside consultants in the public sector. The purpose of this act is  
8 to help ensure that public information is available.

9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.09.230 and 1989 c 168 s 1 are each amended to read  
10 as follows:

11 The state auditor shall require from every taxing district and  
12 other political subdivisions financial reports covering the full period  
13 of each fiscal year, in accordance with the forms and methods  
14 prescribed by the state auditor, which shall be uniform for all  
15 accounts of the same class.

16 Such reports shall be prepared, certified, and filed with the  
17 division within one hundred fifty days after the close of each fiscal  
18 year.

1       The reports shall contain accurate statements, in summarized form,  
2 of all collections made, or receipts received, by the officers from all  
3 sources; all accounts due the public treasury, but not collected; and  
4 all expenditures for every purpose, and by what authority authorized;  
5 and also: (1) A statement of all costs of ownership and operation, and  
6 of all income, of each and every public service industry owned and  
7 operated by a municipality; (2) a statement of the entire public debt  
8 of every taxing district, to which power has been delegated by the  
9 state to create a public debt, showing the purpose for which each item  
10 of the debt was created, and the provisions made for the payment  
11 thereof; (3) a classified statement of all receipts and expenditures by  
12 any public institution; and (4) a statement of all expenditures for  
13 consultants, with the identification of each consultant, compensation,  
14 and the terms and conditions of each agreement or arrangement; together  
15 with such other information as may be required by the state auditor.

16       The reports shall be certified as to their correctness by the state  
17 auditor, the state auditor's deputies, or other person legally  
18 authorized to make such certificate.

19       Their substance shall be published in an annual volume of  
20 comparative statistics at the expense of the state as a public  
21 document.

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