FINAL BILL REPORT HB 1940

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Requiring state agencies to notify local governments of proposed land dispositions.

Sponsors: By Representatives Schindler, Simpson, Crouse, McCune, Dunn, Moeller and Ormsby.

House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections

Background:

State agencies dispose of state-owned land when the agency no longer has use for the land or when disposition is in the public interest. Absent a specific requirement, these agencies are not obligated to notify relevant local governments of proposed land dispositions.

Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Washington State Department of Transportation, the Parks and Recreation Commission, and the Department of General Administration are required to provide written notice of proposed land dispositions to legislative authorities of the counties, cities, and towns in which the land is located. Written notification must occur at least 60 days prior to the agency entering into a disposition agreement. These requirements are in addition to other statutory requirements.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 94 0 Senate 48 0

Effective: July 22, 2007