
**State Government & Tribal
Affairs Committee**

HB 1940

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

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

Brief Summary of Bill

- Requires state agencies to notify local governments of proposed dispositions of state-owned land.

Hearing Date: 2/21/07

Staff: Colleen Kerr (786-7168).

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, however, these agencies are not obligated to notify relevant local governments of proposed land dispositions.

Summary of Bill:

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.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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