
**State Government & Tribal
Affairs Committee**

HB 2946

Brief Description: Authorizing leave sharing for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Sponsors: Representatives Dickerson, Priest, Kagi, Walsh, Lias, Sullivan, Roberts, Linville, Campbell, Simpson, Upthegrove, Schual-Berke, Hurst, Darneille, Hasegawa, Kessler, Hudgins and Ormsby; by request of Attorney General.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking to participate in the state leave sharing program.

Hearing Date: 2/1/08

Staff: Colleen Kerr (786-7168).

Background:

Employees may donate accrued leave to a fellow state employee who is suffering from or has a relative or household member suffering from an extraordinary or severe illness or impairment which may cause the employee to take leave without pay or terminate employment.

Summary of Bill:

Victims of domestic violence may participate in the state leave sharing program.

For purposes of this section, "domestic violence" means:

- physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of fear of imminent physical harm, bodily injury, or assault between family or household members as defined by statute;
- sexual assault of one family or household member by another family or household member;
- or
- stalking of one family or household member by another family or household member.

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"Victim" means a person against whom domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has been committed as defined above.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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