## FINAL BILL REPORT SB 5258

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Concerning members of the Washington council for the prevention of child abuse and neglect.

Sponsors: Senators Regala, Stevens and Shin.

Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections House Committee on Early Learning & Children's Services

**Background:** The Legislature established the Washington Council on the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (Council) in 1982. The Council comprises 14 members who are charged with contracting with organizations or individuals for the establishment of programs designed to reduce the occurrence of child abuse and neglect and promote good parenting skills. Members include designees of the Secretary of the Department of Social and Health Services, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Secretary of the Department of Health, as well as other persons selected for their interest and expertise in the prevention of child abuse. Four legislative members serve as ex officio members of the Council.

**Summary:** The Director of the Department of Early Learning, or the Director's designee, is added to the Council.

## **Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate 48 0 House 98 0

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