

**HB 1840-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds public safety would be enhanced by a common information sharing system for reporting that would: (1) Provide a visual, computer-based common operating picture for all decision makers in the event of an emergency;

(2) Reduce the need for radio frequency bandwidth for voice communications;

(3) Allow emergency responders and incident management teams to take action based on an understanding of the emergency situation; and

(4) Allow for redundant pathway capabilities, which would increase the robustness of the state's communications system.

Requires the state interoperability executive committee to establish a pilot project to design and test a web-based reporting system. This program shall be developed in conjunction with the proposed interoperability project for region 1 to prepare security for the 2010 Olympic Games.

Provides that, by December 1, 2008, the state interoperability executive committee shall submit a report to the legislature and the governor, indicating performance measures and effectiveness of the pilot project and recommendations for its possible expanded utilization.

Provides that the act shall be null and void if appropriations are not approved.