FINAL BILL REPORT HB 1380

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Changing the county population requirement in order for a county to lease space with an option to purchase.

Sponsors: Representatives Liias, Sells, O'Brien, Dunshee, Kirby and Kagi.

House Committee on Local Government & Housing Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections

Background:

Any county may be exempt from state laws governing county leasing options if it holds public hearings and establishes procedures for property management consistent with the public interest.

State law grants counties with a population of 1 million or more with special authority to lease building space. Such counties may participate in leasing arrangements that include:

- leases with an option to purchase; and
- the acquisition of buildings erected upon leased land owned by the county.

Summary:

Provisions granting a county with special authority to lease space are amended. The minimum population of such counties is decreased from 1 million to 600,000.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 92 0 Senate 47 0

Effective: July 26, 2009

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