## HOUSE BILL REPORT HB 1465

## **As Passed House:**

March 9, 1995

**Title:** An act relating to public employment.

**Brief Description:** Concerning the employee suggestion program.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Silver and Sommers; by request of Secretary of State.

**Brief History:** 

**Committee Activity:** 

Appropriations: 2/27/95, 3/1/95 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 3/9/95, 95-0.

## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 28 members: Representatives Silver, Chairman; Clements, Vice Chairman; Huff, Vice Chairman; Pelesky, Vice Chairman; Sommers, Ranking Minority Member; Valle, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Beeksma; Brumsickle; Carlson; Chappell; Cooke; Crouse; G. Fisher; Foreman; Hargrove; Hickel; Jacobsen; Lambert; Lisk; McMorris; Poulsen; Reams; Rust; Sehlin; Sheahan; Talcott; Thibaudeau and Wolfe.

**Staff:** Dan Chang (786-7191).

**Background:** The Productivity Board operates under the Office of the Secretary of State to administer the state employee suggestion program. This program encourages and rewards meritorious suggestions made by state employees. Each year, the board is required to publish a topical list of all productivity awards granted and distribute it to all state government agencies that may be able to adapt them to their procedures.

**Summary of Bill:** The requirement to publish productivity reward list on an annual basis is repealed and the list is required to be published on an ad hoc basis.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: This bill streamlines government and saves money for the state.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** Don Whiting, Secretary of State's Office.