HOUSE BILL REPORT HB 2060

As Reported By House Committee On: Appropriations

Title: An act relating to the budget document offered by the governor to the legislature.

Brief Description: Redefining budget document.

Sponsors: Representative Foreman.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Appropriations: 3/3/95 [DPS].

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 26 members: Representatives Silver, Chairman; Clements, Vice Chairman; Huff, Vice Chairman; Pelesky, Vice Chairman; Sommers, Ranking Minority Member; Valle, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Basich; Beeksma; Brumsickle; Carlson; Cooke; Crouse; G. Fisher; Foreman; Grant; Jacobsen; Lambert; Lisk; McMorris; Poulsen; Reams; Rust; Sehlin; Sheahan; Thibaudeau and Wolfe.

Staff: Victor Moore (786-7143).

Background: RCW 43.88, known as the Budget and Accounting Act, requires that the Governor's biennial budget document be a formal written statement.

Summary of Substitute Bill: RCW 43.88 is amended to allow the Governor's budget document to be in either written or electronic form, or both.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill: Language is added to allow the budget document to be in both written and electronic form, rather than one or the other.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on March 1, 1995.

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

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Testimony For: The budget document can be made available on CD ROM, as well as INTERNET and other electronic means. Printing costs can be reduced.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: (In favor) Gary Robinson, Office of Financial Management; and Doug Downing, Seattle Pacific University.