

# HOUSE BILL REPORT

## SB 5882

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**As Reported By House Committee On:**  
Government Operations

**Title:** An act relating to the authority of the state or a political subdivision to dispose of surplus property.

**Brief Description:** Concerning the disposal of surplus property by a governmental entity.

**Sponsors:** Senators Haugen, Moyer, Loveland and Deccio.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:**

Government Operations: 3/31/95 [DP].

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### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

**Majority Report:** Do pass. Signed by 15 members: Representatives Reams, Chairman; Goldsmith, Vice Chairman; L. Thomas, Vice Chairman; Rust, Ranking Minority Member; Scott, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Chopp; R. Fisher; Hargrove; Honeyford; Hymes; Mulliken; D. Schmidt; Sommers; Van Luven and Wolfe.

**Staff:** Bill Lynch (786-7092).

**Background:** Before disposing of surplus property with an estimated value of more than \$5,000, the state or political subdivision of the state must hold a public hearing in the county where the property is located. Notice must be published at least 10 days but not more than 25 days before the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the property is located. If the property is real property, the notice must also describe the proposed use of the lands involved. A news release must also be disseminated to the electronic media in the area where the property is located.

**Summary of Bill:** The estimated value of surplus property at which the state or a political subdivision must follow formal hearing and notice requirements for disposal is raised from \$5,000 to \$50,000.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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

**Testimony For:** This will allow partial pieces of real estate to be sold in a more efficient manner.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** Jackie White, city of Spokane.