

HOUSE BILL REPORT

ESB 6045

As Passed House - Amended:

April 10, 1995

Title: An act relating to retired administrators.

Brief Description: Allowing retired administrators to serve as replacement administrators without a reduction of pension benefits.

Sponsors: Senators Bauer, Hochstatter, Gaspard, McAuliffe and Winsley.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Education: 3/24/95, 3/28/95 [DPA].

Floor Activity:

Amended.

Passed House: 4/10/95, 91-6.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Majority Report: Do pass as amended. Signed by 14 members: Representatives Brumsickle, Chairman; Elliot, Vice Chairman; Cole, Ranking Minority Member; Poulsen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Clements; Dickerson; Hatfield; McMahan; Pelesky; Quall; Radcliff; Talcott; B. Thomas and Thompson.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 1 member: Representative Fuhrman.

Staff: Robert Butts (786-7111).

Background: Under current law, retired teachers and administrators under Teachers' Retirement System Plan I may serve as a substitute for up to 75 days a school year without affecting their retirement benefits. If there is a shortage of substitute teachers, retired teachers or administrators can work an additional 15 days as substitute teachers.

Summary of Bill: A retired administrator or retired teacher under Plan I may serve as a substitute administrator for an additional 15 days without a reduction in retirement benefits if the school district board adopts a resolution declaring it cannot find a replacement administrator to fill a vacancy. The resolution shall be valid only for the school year in which it is adopted.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested by the Senate on February 27, 1995.

Effective Date of Bill: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

Testimony For: This will provide school districts needed flexibility when there are unanticipated school administrator vacancies. This will make the provisions for retired administrators consistent with requirements for retired teachers.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Peter Cutler, Department of Retirement Systems; Walter Ball, Association of Washington School Principals (pro); and Barbara Mertens, Washington Association of School Administrators (pro).