

HOUSE BILL REPORT

SHB 1432

As Passed Legislature

Title: An act relating to county financial matters.

Brief Description: Providing for notice statements regarding county financial matters.

Sponsors: By House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Brumsickle and Reams).

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Finance: 2/16/95, 2/23/95 [DPS].

Floor Activity:

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

Passed Legislature.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 12 members: Representatives B. Thomas, Chairman; Boldt, Vice Chairman; Carrell; Morris, Ranking Minority Member; Dickerson, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Hymes; Mason; Mulliken; Pennington; Schoesler; Sheldon and Van Luven.

Staff: Rick Peterson (786-7150).

Background: Property tax bills sent by county treasurers must show the amount of taxes directly approved by the voters either as a dollar amount or as a percentage of the total taxes.

Summary of Bill: The requirement that voter approved levy amounts be shown on the property tax bill is changed to include levies approved at all elections not just general elections. The description of voter-approved taxes is clarified.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available. New fiscal note requested on February 24, 1995.

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

Testimony For: A better description of voter approved levies is needed. Voter overrides of the 106 percent limit cannot be separated from the regular levy in future years.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Mike Murphy, Thurston County Treasurer.