SENATE BILL REPORT

ESHB 1837

As Reported By Senate Committee On: Ecology & Parks, March 30, 1995

Title: An act relating to water quality account distributions.

Brief Description: Establishing limitations on distributions from the water quality account for the period July 1, 1995, through June 30, 2000.

Sponsors: House Committee on Agriculture & Ecology (originally sponsored by Representatives Chandler and Dellwo).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ecology & Parks: 3/22/95, 3/30/95 [DPA-WM].

Ways & Means: 4/3/95.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY & PARKS

Majority Report: Do pass as amended and be referred to Committee on Ways & Means. Signed by Senators Fraser, Chair; C. Anderson, Vice Chair; McAuliffe, McDonald, Spanel and Swecker.

Staff: Cathy Baker (786-7708)

Background: In 1986, the Legislature created the water quality account and funded it through sales taxes on cigarettes, tobacco, and water pollution control equipment through fiscal year 2021. Most of the funds available from the water quality account are appropriated to the Department of Ecology (Ecology). State law directs Ecology to distribute the water quality account funds in the following way: