

SENATE BILL REPORT

SSB 5183

As Passed Senate, February 22, 1995

Title: An act relating to county auditors.

Brief Description: Regarding county auditors.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Government Operations (originally sponsored by Senators Hale, Haugen, Winsley and Deccio).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Government Operations: 2/1/95, 2/9/95 [DPS].
Passed Senate, 2/22/95, 48-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5183 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Sheldon, Vice Chair; Drew, Hale, Heavey, McCaslin and Winsley.

Staff: Diane Smith (786-7410)

Background: Some county statutes still contain duplicative provisions, archaic language and references to record-keeping techniques no longer practiced.

Summary of Bill: The terms used for county government are modernized in sections concerning the county auditor, prosecuting attorney, county commissioners, county finances and county road engineer records.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: This is a good government bill to update the statutes.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: PRO: Doug Cochran, Yakima County Auditor; Les Brodie, Thurston County Auditor's Office; William Donahue, Spokane County Auditor; Gary Lowe, WSAC.

House Amendment(s): The amendment specifies that the board of county commissioners, rather than each member of the board, must file the inventory of capitalized assets.