SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5857

As Passed Senate, March 15, 1995

Title: An act relating to public works subletting and subcontracting.

Brief Description: Revising the procedure for identifying subcontractors for specified public works contracts.

Sponsors: Senators Morton, Pelz, Heavey, McCaslin, Fraser, Moyer, Hochstatter, Deccio, Palmer and Schow.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Government Operations: 2/28/95, 3/1/95 [DP].

Passed Senate, 3/15/95, 49-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

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

Staff: Diane Smith (786-7410)

Background: Those who bid on any public works contract of \$100,000 or more must submit as part of the bid, or within one hour after the published bid submittal time, the names of all subcontractors whose subcontract amount is more than 10 percent of the contract price. Failure to list these subcontractors in the manner prescribed by statute renders the bid void.

Summary of Bill: Subcontractors whose subcontracts are 10 percent of the bid price must be listed. The format used for listing is more easily understood by the general public.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: The current language of the statute has caused unnecessary difficulties for contractors trying to comply with it. This bill simplifies the confusing language.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Jim Bush, DOT (pro); Larry Stevens, United Subcontractors (pro).

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