## SENATE BILL REPORT

## **SHB 2481**

As of February 19, 1998

**Title:** An act relating to requiring authorization for certain higher education personnel arrangements.

**Brief Description:** Requiring approval of certain higher education personnel arrangements that exceed fifty thousand dollars in value.

**Sponsors:** House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Schoesler, Sump, Sheahan, Honeyford, Mulliken and McCune).

## **Brief History:**

Committee Activity: Higher Education: 2/23/98.

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

**Staff:** Jean Six (786-7423)

**Background:** Governing boards have full control of their institutions, including the authority to employ the president, his assistant, members of the faculty and employees of the institution. Additionally, the board determines conditions of employment and termination. In carrying out those duties, the board may enter into contracts that are appropriate for their institutions.

**Summary of Bill:** The Office of Financial Management must approve higher education administrators' professional leave agreements, severance packages, and contract settlements that exceed 50 percent of the administrators' base salary.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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

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