

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 2568

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Government Operations, February 26, 1998

**Title:** An act relating to motor vehicle management.

**Brief Description:** Terminating state motor vehicle management programs.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Smith, D. Schmidt, Gardner, Doumit and Thompson; by request of Department of General Administration.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Government Operations: 2/24/98, 2/26/98 [DP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators McCaslin, Chair; Hale, Vice Chair; Haugen, Horn, Patterson and T. Sheldon.

**Staff:** Eugene Green (786-7405)

**Background:** The Department of General Administration (GA) furnishes motor vehicle transportation services to all state agencies. Institutions of higher education are authorized to acquire and maintain passenger motor vehicles following guidelines established by GA. One of the responsibilities of the office of Motor Vehicle Services, within GA, was to adopt a statewide information system on the acquisition, maintenance, and disposal of state-owned passenger motor vehicles.

The director of the Office of Financial Management establishes overall policies governing the acquisition, operating management, maintenance, repair, and disposal of all passenger motor vehicles owned or operated by all state agencies.

**Summary of Bill:** Statutes relating to some of the Department of General Administration's authority over state-owned passenger motor vehicles are revised.

Statutes relating to the office of Motor Vehicle Services in the Department of General Administration are repealed.

New statutory provisions are added clarifying the authority of GA to adopt guidelines, procedures, and standards for fleet operations for other state agencies and institutions of higher education authorized to provide their own passenger motor vehicles.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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

**Testimony For:** This program was defunded in FY 1995. The State Auditor said we should repeal these statutes. Otherwise, there is still a technical obligation to comply.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** Linda Bremer, Department of General Administration.