SENATE BILL REPORT

SSB 6062

As Passed Senate, March 26, 1997

Title: An act relating to fiscal matters.

Brief Description: Making appropriations for the fiscal biennium ending June 30, 1999.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators West and Spanel; by request of Governor Locke).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 3/24/97, 3/25/97 [DPS, DNP]. Passed Senate, 3/26/97, 25-23.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6062 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators West, Chair; Deccio, Vice Chair; Strannigan, Vice Chair; Hochstatter, Long, McDonald, Roach, Rossi, Swecker, Winsley and Zarelli.

Minority Report: Do not pass.

Signed by Senators Bauer, Brown, Fraser, Kohl, Loveland, Sheldon, Snyder, Spanel and Thibaudeau.

Staff: Steve Jones (786-7440)

Background: The operations of the agencies and institutions of state government are funded by an omnibus appropriations act. State government operates on a two-year basis, with each fiscal biennium beginning on July 1 of each odd-numbered year and ending on June 30 of the next odd-numbered year. Transportation agencies and capital projects are funded by separate appropriations acts.

Summary of Bill: The omnibus appropriations act for the 1997-99 fiscal biennium is enacted.

Appropriation: \$19.097 billion from the General Fund-State.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect July 1, 1997.

House Amendment(s): Appropriations are modified. Total General Fund appropriations are \$18.994 billion.