SENATE BILL REPORT

ESSB 6108

As Passed Senate, February 25, 1998

Title: An act relating to fiscal matters.

Brief Description: Making supplemental operating appropriations.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator West).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 2/23/98, 2/24/98 [DPS]. Passed Senate, 2/25/98, 29-20.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6108 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, Schow, Swecker, Winsley and Zarelli.

Staff: Steve Jones (786-7440)

Background: The operating expenses of state government and its agencies and programs are funded on a biennial basis by an omnibus operations budget adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. In even-numbered years, a supplemental budget is adopted, making various modifications to agency appropriations.

State operating expenses are paid from the state General Fund and from various dedicated funds and accounts. The 1997 Legislature appropriated \$19.085 billion from the state General Fund.

Summary of Bill: Appropriations from various agencies are modified, with no net increase in appropriations from the state General Fund. \$100 million from General Fund revenues is deposited in the state's Emergency Reserve Fund. For additional information, see "1998 Supplemental Operating and Capital Budget Summary" and "Statewide Summary and Agency Detail" published by the Senate Ways & Means Committee.

Appropriation: See above.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

House Amendment(s): Appropriations are modified. For additional information, see Statewide Summary and Agency Detail– published by the House Appropriations Committee.