

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 6219

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As Passed Senate, February 10, 1998

**Title:** An act relating to reports to the legislature.

**Brief Description:** Making technical corrections to the Revised Code of Washington concerning reports to the legislature that are no longer necessary.

**Sponsors:** Senators McDonald, McCaslin, Patterson, West and Hale; by request of Office of Financial Management.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Government Operations: 1/23/98, 1/27/98 [DP].  
Passed Senate, 2/10/98, 44-3.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

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

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

**Background:** There are numerous instances of state law where a report to the Legislature is required by a date certain and numerous instances where formerly a report to the Legislature was required, but is no longer necessary.

**Summary of Bill:** Numerous laws either requiring a report to the Legislature by a date certain or requiring unnecessary reports to the Legislature are eliminated.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed, except Section 14 which takes effect September 1, 2001; and Sections 115 and 116 which take effect June 1, 2001.

**Testimony For:** This is essentially a technical cleanup bill that eliminates approximately 230 reports to the Legislature. Many of these reports have been completed years ago. Others are no longer needed.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** Dick Thompson, Gary Robinson, OFM (pro).

**House Amendment(s):** The Small Business Improvement Council's authority to make occasional proposals and recommendations to the Governor is retained.

The section transferring the duty to submit an annual report identifying the causes of disproportionality in the state's juvenile justice system from DSHS to the Sentencing Guidelines Commission is deleted.