

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 5004

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Remediating a technical problem in school bond elections.

**Sponsors:** Senators Loveland, Winsley and Patterson.

### Senate Committee on State & Local Government

**Background:** Except for a local election wherein the city or county chooses to mail a local voters' pamphlet to each residence, notice for any state, county, district, or municipal election, whether special or general, must be given by at least one publication not more than ten nor less than three days prior to the election by the county auditor or the officer conducting the election.

A school bond election in Asotin County failed to meet the publication of notice requirement. Although authorized by the voters to issue bonds, the school district is withholding such issuance until the bond election is validated.

**Summary:** All school district elections held on May 19, 1998, at which the number and proportion of persons required by law voted to authorize bonds or tax levies, are validated regardless of any failure to publish notice of the election. A challenge of the validity of any such election must be brought within 30 days after the effective date of this act. Publication of notice of this act is specified.

### Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	38 8
House	91 0

**Effective:** January 29, 1999