FINAL BILL REPORT
SB 5385

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Providing an alternative method for dissolution of cultural arts, stadium and convention districts.

Sponsors: Senators Shin, Prentice, Winsley, Jacobsen, Patterson, T. Sheldon, Benton, Finkbeiner, Snyder, Rasmussen, Goings, Haugen, Hargrove, Gardner, Heavey, Deccio and McAuliffe.

Senate Committee on State & Local Government
House Committee on Local Government

Background: A cultural arts, stadium and convention district provides cultural arts facilities, convention facilities, and stadiums. Approval by simple majority vote creates the district. The district may include both unincorporated and incorporated areas, but not part of a city or town. The governing body is composed of up to nine elected or appointed officials of the county, cities, port districts, school districts, or community colleges. The boundaries of the district must follow school district or community college boundaries as far as practicable. The activities of the district are funded by: revenue bonds; general obligation bonds; excess voter approved property taxes; and regular property taxes of up to 25 cents per $1,000 of assessed valuation for a six-year period when authorized by 60 percent or more voter approval.

A cultural arts, stadium and convention district may only be dissolved and its affairs liquidated when so directed by a majority of the persons in the district voting on such question.

Summary: An alternative procedure for dissolution of a cultural arts, stadium and convention district is authorized. A petition for an order of dissolution may be submitted to the superior court of a county of the district. The petition must be signed by at least two-thirds of the legislative authorities who have representatives on the district governing body. All signatures must have been collected within 120 days of the date of submission to the court. Dissolution procedures are specified.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	49	0	
House	95	0	(House amended)
Senate	47	0	(Senate concurred)

Effective: July 25, 1999