SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5915

As Passed Senate, March 12, 1999

Title: An act relating to reports to the legislature.

Brief Description: Removing language requiring obsolete or unwanted reports.

Sponsors: Senators Patterson and McDonald; by request of Office of Financial Management.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: State & Local Government: 2/25/99, 3/3/99 [DP]. Passed Senate, 3/12/99, 45-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Patterson, Chair; Gardner, Vice Chair; Hale, Haugen, Horn, Kline and McCaslin.

Staff: Eugene Green (786-7405)

Background: In 1998, the Legislature commenced a continuing process to eliminate obsolete or unwanted reports to the Legislature.

Summary of Bill: Various statutes are amended or repealed to eliminate reports to the Legislature that are no longer wanted or considered necessary.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: This is a continuing effort on the part of OFM and the Legislature to save resources by eliminating either obsolete or unwanted reports.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Gary Robinson, OFM (pro).

House Amendment(s): The ongoing requirement for reports on the adoption of rules by state agencies, and on debts written off by the Department of Social and Health Services, are not eliminated. Budget documents still must display enrollment target levels for institutions of higher education.