FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 6052

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Assisting volunteers in hunter safety programs.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen and Rasmussen).

Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation House Committee on Natural Resources

Background: The hunter education program offers classes that all new hunters in the state are legally required to complete. Funds for the classes come from the federal Pitman Robinson fund. At the present time, many volunteers are helping with the program but insufficient funding exists to give them any mileage or per diem costs.

Summary: The Legislature finds that the hunter education program is an important program but that budget reductions have limited the assistance that the state can provide to volunteers who conduct the classes.

The support of volunteer instructors in the basic firearms safety training program is an additional use for the \$3 from renewals of expired concealed weapon permits deposited in the wildlife fund.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 45 0 House 81 12

Effective: July 25, 1999