SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6056

As of January 17, 2000

Title: An act relating to newly licensed drivers under eighteen years of age.

Brief Description: Prohibiting new drivers under 18 from carrying passengers under 18.

Sponsors: Senators Shin, Haugen, Costa and Goings.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 3/5/99, 3/8/99 [DPS, DNPS]; 1/18/00.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Staff: Jennifer Ziegler (786-7316)

Background: Studies indicate that the risk of being involved in a fatal crash is much higher for teenage drivers when teenage passengers are present in the vehicle as compared with driving alone.

Summary of Bill: New drivers under the age of 18 are prohibited from driving with passengers under 18 for one year, unless accompanied by a person over the age of 21.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 12, 2000.

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

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