

SENATE BILL REPORT

ESB 6446

As Passed Senate, February 15, 2000

Title: An act relating to extension of the September 1, 2002, deadline for comprehensive plan review and amendment.

Brief Description: Providing for review and evaluation of a city or county's comprehensive growth plan.

Sponsors: Senators Patterson and Oke; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: State & Local Government: 1/24/2000, 1/27/2000 [DP].
Passed Senate, 2/15/2000, 48-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Majority Report: Do pass.

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

Staff: Roger Brodniak (786-7445)

Background: Counties and cities planning under the Growth Management Act must review, and if necessary, revise their land use plans and development regulations to incorporate new population data by September 1, 2002.

Counties and cities are also required to develop and amend master shoreline programs before applicable deadlines.

Summary of Bill: The deadline for revising plans and regulations under the Growth Management Act is moved back. Counties and cities planning under the Growth Management Act must revise their land use plans and development regulations before September 1, 2003. An evaluative review and schedule for considering amendments for these plans is still required before September 1, 2002.

Counties are authorized to create lake management districts to maintain local lakes. A lake management district may be created for a period of no more than ten years.

Counties and cities may revise their policies and regulations before September 1, 2002, if needed to comply with scientific standards and fisheries preservation.

Counties and cities are granted extensions to deadlines for the shoreline elements of comprehensive plans. The time limitation on the life of lake management districts is removed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: Counties and cities need more time to revise their plans and regulations because the census data they need will not be made available in time.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: PRO: Heather Ballash, CTED; Linda Matson, Critical Issues Coalition; David Mosely, AWC.