HOUSE BILL REPORT HB 1314

As Reported by House Committee On:

Appropriations

Title: An act relating to fiscal matters.

Brief Description: Making supplemental operating appropriations.

Sponsors: Representatives H. Sommers (co-prime sponsor) and Sehlin (co-prime sponsor);

by request of Governor Locke.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Appropriations: 3/27/01 [DPS].

Brief Summary of Substitute Bill

Making \$194.4 million General Fund - State supplemental operating appropriations.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 28 members: Representatives Sehlin, Republican Co-Chair; H. Sommers, Democratic Co-Chair; Barlean, Republican Vice Chair; Doumit, Democratic Vice Chair; Lisk, Republican Vice Chair; Alexander, Benson, Boldt, Buck, Clements, Cody, Cox, Dunshee, Fromhold, Gombosky, Grant, Keiser, Kenney, Lambert, Linville, Mastin, Mulliken, Pearson, Pflug, Ruderman, D. Schmidt, Schual-Berke and Talcott.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 3 members: Representatives Kagi, McIntire and Tokuda.

Staff: Bill Robinson (786-7140).

Background:

The state government operates on the basis of a fiscal biennium that begins on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. The 1999 legislative session enacted a 1999-01 biennial budget for the time period from July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2001. During the biennial budget

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period, the Legislature often makes adjustments or corrections to the biennial budget in a supplemental budget. The 99-01 biennial operating budget appropriated \$20.6 billion from the state general fund. The 2000 supplemental budget appropriated an additional \$278 million to increase the biennial budget level to \$20.9 billion.

Summary of Substitute Bill:

Appropriations are modified for the 1999-01 fiscal biennium. The total appropriation for the 1999-01 fiscal biennium was \$37.9 billion, of which \$20.9 billion was from the state general fund.

The 2001 Supplemental Operating Budget increases appropriations from the state general fund by \$194 million. Total appropriations, including other funds, are increased by \$463 million. \$48 million of the total was appropriated from the Emergency Reserve Fund to pay for damage caused by the February 28, 2001 earthquake.

For additional information, see "2001 Supplemental Budget Highlights" published by the House Appropriations Committee. Budget documents can also be viewed at http://www.leg.wa.gov/house/opr/01/budgRpt.htm

Appropriation: The bill contains multiple appropriations. Please refer to the bill.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date of Substitute Bill: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: None.