

# FINAL BILL REPORT

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Allowing certified real estate appraisers to appraise school district property.

**Sponsors:** By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Quall and Talcott).

**House Committee on Education**  
**Senate Committee on Education**

**Background:**

Individual school districts have exclusive control of school property and can purchase, sell, lease, receive, and hold real and personal property for district purposes. Prior to the purchase and sale of real property, a district must obtain a market value appraisal by an appraiser who is deemed qualified by a nationally recognized real estate appraisal organization.

The Department of Licensing Business and Professions Division licenses real estate appraisers in Washington on the basis of education, experience, and examination performance. Levels of certification include general and residential. A general appraiser is licensed to appraise all types of property. Not all state-licensed real estate appraisers necessarily seek recognition by a national real estate appraisal organization.

**Summary:**

State-licensed general real estate appraisers may conduct market value appraisals for the purposes of real property purchases and sales by a school district.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

House 93 0  
Senate 47 0 (Senate amended)  
House 89 0 (House concurred)

**Effective:** July 22, 2001