

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5133

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
State & Local Government, February 7, 2001

Title: An act relating to seller disclosure of water infiltration through walls or floor.

Brief Description: Requiring seller disclosure of water infiltration.

Sponsors: Senator Fairley.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: State & Local Government: 1/24/01, 2/7/01 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Patterson, Chair; Fairley, Vice Chair; Gardner, Hale, Haugen, Horn, Kline, McCaslin, Roach and T. Sheldon.

Staff: Aaron Jennings (786-7445)

Background: In the sale of real estate, Washington law provides for the seller to disclose on a form certain conditions of the real estate. The disclosure form does not specifically provide for the disclosure of water infiltration through floors or walls.

Summary of Bill: Specific disclosure of water infiltration through walls and floors of a home and if the infiltration repairs have been made is provided for in the disclosure form.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: The seller disclosure form as a concept is supported.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Bob Mitchell, WA Association of Realtors.