

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6137

As of May 3, 2001

Title: An act relating to educational employees' benefits and compensation during strikes and work stoppages.

Brief Description: Prohibiting the use of sick leave benefits or compensation for educational employees during a strike or work stoppage.

Sponsors: Senator T. Sheldon.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Education

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Staff: Kelly Simpson (786-7403)

Background: Under current law, certificated and classified public school employees are entitled to receive annual leave with compensation for illness, injury, and emergencies. Such leave must accrue at a rate not to exceed 12 days per year.

Summary of Bill: School districts may not spend sick leave benefits or compensation for public school employees who attempt to use their sick leave to engage in a strike or work stoppage. Additionally, during a strike or work stoppage, school districts may require a signed statement from a licensed health care provider that an employee's absence was due to an illness or injury.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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