

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5507

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Clarifying who has standing regarding growth management hearings board hearings.

Sponsors: Senators T. Sheldon and Mulliken.

Senate Committee on Land Use & Planning
House Committee on Local Government

Background: Under current law, the following persons have standing to file a petition before a growth management hearings board: a state, county or city that plans under the Growth Management Act; a person who participated orally or in writing before the county or city; a person certified by the Governor; or a person qualified under the Administrative Procedure Act.

Under the existing requirements, although aggrieved persons are required to participate at the local government level in order to have standing, there is no express requirement that limits the scope of issues that aggrieved persons may raise before a board. Thus, aggrieved persons potentially may raise new issues on appeal to a board without providing local governments notice or opportunity to address such concerns at the local government level.

Summary: In addition to the current standing requirements for aggrieved persons that such persons must participate orally or in writing before the local government body, the aggrieved person must also establish that his or her participation before the county or city was reasonably related to the person's issue as presented to the board.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	33	16
House	95	0 (House amended)
Senate	47	2 (Senate concurred)

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