

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 5600

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As of March 25, 2009

**Title:** An act relating to fiscal matters.

**Brief Description:** Making 2009-2011 operating appropriations.

**Sponsors:** Senator Prentice; by request of Governor Gregoire.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Ways & Means:

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

**Staff:** Steve Jones (786-7440)

**Background:** The operating expenses of state government and its agencies and programs are funded on a biennial basis by an Omnibus Operations Budget adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. State operating expenses are paid from the state General Fund and from various dedicated funds and accounts.

**Summary of Bill:** Biennial appropriations for the 2009-11 fiscal biennium for the various agencies and programs of the state are enacted, including appropriations for general government agencies, human services programs, natural resources agencies, and educational institutions. For additional information, see the budget summary materials published by the Senate Ways & Means Committee and available on the Internet at [www.leg.wa.gov/Senate/Committees/WM/](http://www.leg.wa.gov/Senate/Committees/WM/).

**Appropriation:** Yes.

**Fiscal Note:** Requested on January 28, 2009.  
[OFM requested ten-year cost projection pursuant to I-960.]

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

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