HOUSE BILL REPORT

HJM 4016

As Passed House March 13, 1993

Brief Description: Requesting the federal government to enhance the promotion of mathematics, science, and technology.

Sponsors: Representatives Valle, Wood, Springer, Shin, Forner, Quall, Casada, Sheldon, Morris, Jacobsen, Wolfe, L. Johnson, Karahalios, Chappell and J. Kohl.

Brief History:

Reported by House Committee on: Trade, Economic Development & Housing, March 3, 1993, DP; Passed House, March 13, 1993, 98-0.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRADE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 14 members: Representatives Wineberry, Chair; Shin, Vice Chair; Forner, Ranking Minority Member; Chandler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Campbell; Casada; Conway; Morris; Quall; Schoesler; Sheldon; Springer; Valle; and Wood.

Staff: Charlie Gavigan (786-7340).

Background: Mathematics, science, and technology are important parts of education and workforce training. Technology likely will be key to Washington's long-term economic prosperity.

Summary of Bill: The Washington Legislature requests that the federal government enhance its efforts to promote mathematics, science, and technology through expanded scholarships and expanded research and development programs.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Testimony For: The federal government should lead a renewed effort to encourage math, science, and technology as was done in the late 1950s and early 1960s.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: Representative Georgette Valle, prime sponsor (supports).