

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1300

As Reported By House Committee On: Law & Justice

Title: An act relating to correcting or removing deficiencies, conflicts, or obsolete provisions affecting the department of financial institutions.

Brief Description: Making technical corrections affecting the department of financial institutions.

Sponsors: Representatives Sheahan, Appelwick, Hickel and L. Thomas; by request of Statute Law Committee.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Law & Justice: 3/5/97 [DP].

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 13 members: Representatives Sheahan, Chairman; McDonald, Vice Chairman; Sterk, Vice Chairman; Costa, Ranking Minority Member; Constantine, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Carrell; Cody; Kenney; Lambert; Lantz; Radcliff; Sterk and Skinner.

Staff: Trudes Hutcheson (786-7384).

Background: In a given legislative session, two or more bills may amend the same section of the Revised Code of Washington without reference to each other. This is often called double- or multiple- amendments. Usually there are no substantive conflicts between the multiple amendments to a section of the code. However, sometimes even though there is no substantive conflict, merging multiple amendments may require some restructuring of a section for grammatical or other reasons.

In addition, one bill may amend a section, and another bill may repeal that section. When both bills pass, the Code Reviser may decodify the section which was repealed and make a note of it in the code.

Over the years, changes in the designations of various agencies and entities have been made in the code. Occasionally, older and now obsolete references to previous designations remain.

The Statute Law Committee reviews the code and recommends legislation to make technical corrections, including reconciling multiple amendments and deleting obsolete references in the code.

Summary of Bill: Various sections of the code are amended to delete redundancies and obsolete provisions, reinsert language inadvertently deleted, and correct inconsistencies. Various sections are repealed that have been amended in one bill and repealed in another during previous legislative sessions.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: This bill doesn't make any substantive changes to the law.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Dennis Cooper, Code Reviser (pro).