SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5311

As Reported By Senate Committee On: Energy & Utilities, February 13, 1997

Title: An act relating to the information services board.

Brief Description: Requiring more private sector representation on the information services

board.

Sponsors: Senators Finkbeiner, Haugen, Heavey, Benton, Winsley and Deccio.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Energy & Utilities: 1/27/97, 2/13/97 [DPS].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & UTILITIES

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5311 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Finkbeiner, Chair; Hochstatter, Vice Chair; Brown, Jacobsen, Rossi, Strannigan and Swanson.

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Background: The Information Service Board (ISB) consists of a 13-member board (enlarged from nine in 1996). Eight members are appointed by the Governor, one of whom must be a representative of higher education, one of whom must be a representative of an agency under a statewide elected official other than the Governor, and two of whom must be representatives of the private sector. One member represents the judicial branch. One member is, or is appointed by, the Superintendent of Public Instruction. One member represents the House of Representatives and one member represents the Senate. One member is the Director of DIS.

Among the duties of ISB are: to develop standards governing the acquisition and disposition of equipment, software, and purchased services; to acquire equipment or delegate such authority to state agencies; to develop statewide technical policies and standards; and to provide direction concerning statewide strategic planning.

The Department of Information Services must report on its evaluations of major information technology projects to the Office of Financial Management (OFM) and the appropriation committees of the Legislature.

Summary of Substitute Bill: The Governor's eight appointments to the board are the five public members, one representative of higher education who is from the discipline of computer technology, the director of OFM, and the director of the Department of Information Services. The five statutory members are one from the judicial branch and four from the Legislature, one from each caucus of each house.

The department must report on major information technology projects to the policy committees of the Legislature which have direct oversight responsibility for information technology projects.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill: The director is changed from a statutory member of the ISB to a gubernatorial appointment. The representative of higher education must be from the discipline of computer technology. The members from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and from an agency under a statewide elected official are deleted.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: No one.