HOUSE BILL REPORT HB 1037

As Reported by House Committee On: Appropriations

Title: An act relating to fiscal matters.

Brief Description: Making 2003-05 supplemental operating appropriations.

Sponsors: Representative Sommers; by request of Governor Locke.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Appropriations: 1/19/05, 3/24/05 [DPS].

Brief Summary of Substitute Bill

• Revises biennial operating appropriations for the 2003-05 biennium.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 17 members: Representatives Sommers, Chair; Fromhold, Vice Chair; Cody, Conway, Darneille, Dunshee, Grant, Haigh, Hunter, Kagi, Kenney, Kessler, Linville, McDermott, McIntire, Miloscia and Schual-Berke.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 12 members: Representatives Alexander, Ranking Minority Member; Anderson, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; McDonald, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Armstrong, Bailey, Buri, Clements, Hinkle, Pearson, Priest, Talcott and Walsh.

Staff: Dave Johnson (786-7154).

Background:

State government operates on the basis of a fiscal biennium that begins on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. Appropriations are made in the biennial budget for the operation of state government and its various agencies and institutions. The biennial budget is typically amended each year by a supplemental budget. Total State General Fund appropriations for the 2003-05 biennium are currently \$23.25 billion.

Summary of Substitute Bill:

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Total State General Fund spending for the 2003-05 biennium is increased by \$201 million to \$23.45 billion. Appropriations are also amended for a variety of accounts. For additional information, see the budget summary and detail documents.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:

The substitute bill increases General Fund-State appropriations by approximately \$60 million, and makes other changes.

Appropriation: Please refer to the bill.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date of Substitute Bill: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.