HOUSE BILL REPORT HB 2368

As Passed House:

February 12, 2018

Title: An act relating to making technical corrections and removing obsolete language from the Revised Code of Washington pursuant to RCW 1.08.025.

Brief Description: Making technical corrections and removing obsolete language from the Revised Code of Washington pursuant to RCW 1.08.025.

Sponsors: Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Sawyer, Haler and Appleton; by request of Statute Law Committee.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Judiciary: 1/17/18, 1/24/18 [DP]. Floor Activity: Passed House: 2/12/18, 98-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Removes obsolete language in various sections of the Revised Code of Washington and corrects technical errors.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 13 members: Representatives Jinkins, Chair; Kilduff, Vice Chair; Rodne, Ranking Minority Member; Graves, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Goodman, Haler, Hansen, Kirby, Klippert, Muri, Orwall, Shea and Valdez.

Staff: Ingrid Lewis (786-7289).

Background:

Duties of the Statute Law Committee.

The primary responsibilities of the Statute Law Committee (Committee) and the Code Reviser (Reviser) are to periodically codify, index, and publish the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and to revise, correct, and harmonize the statutes by means of

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administrative or suggested legislative action. The Committee, or the Reviser with the approval of the Committee, must periodically make written recommendations to the Legislature concerning deficiencies, conflicts, or obsolete provisions in the RCW.

Summary of Bill:

Certain obsolete and expired provisions are removed from the Revised Code of Washington (RCW). Other corrections are made to:

- conform the start and end dates of daylight savings time to the dates in federal law;
- address conflicting changes to the same statutory language;
- correct errors to cross referenced sections of the RCW;
- merge multiple amendments to an RCW section that originated from two separate 2010 bills each enacted without reference to the other; and
- resolve conflicting expiration dates.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) This bill truly has only technical corrections. The Statute Law Committee has the obligation to bring technical corrections to fix minor issues in the code which this does.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: Representative Goodman, prime sponsor; and Kyle Thiessen and Kathy Buchli, Office of the Code Reviser.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.