Local Government Committee

HB 2307

Brief Description: Concerning fireworks prohibitions adopted by cities or counties.

Sponsors: Representatives Fitzgibbon, Kilduff, Fey, Cody and Pollet.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Makes the effective date of prohibitions on consumer fireworks adopted by cities or counties immediate.

Hearing Date: 1/22/20

Staff: Elizabeth Allison (786-7129).

Background:

Fireworks are legal in Washington. Cities and counties must comply with statewide minimum standards regarding fireworks, but are permitted to adopt ordinances that are more restrictive than minimum standards, including prohibitions on consumer fireworks. Ordinances that are more restrictive than state law, including prohibitions on consumer fireworks, do not take effect until one year after adoption.

Summary of Bill:

An ordinance enacting a prohibition on consumer fireworks takes effect immediately. Old dates are removed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 14, 2020.

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

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