HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1057

As Passed House February 20, 1991

- **Title:** An act relating to security and protection of the lieutenant governor.
- **Brief Description:** Providing protection to the lieutenant governor.
- Sponsor(s): Representatives Anderson, McLean, R. Fisher, Ferguson and Miller; by request of Washington State Patrol.

Brief History:

Reported by House Committee on: State Government, February 5, 1991, DP; Passed House, February 20, 1991, 98-0.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 10 members: Representatives Anderson, Chair; Pruitt, Vice Chair; McLean, Ranking Minority Member; Bowman, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Chandler; R. Fisher; Grant; Moyer; O'Brien; and Sheldon.

Staff: Linda May (786-7135).

Background: Statute directs the Washington State Patrol to provide security and protection for the governor and the governor's family. The governor-elect also receives this protection after the November election.

In practice, the State Patrol has also been providing this service to the lieutenant governor. The 1990 supplemental budget included an appropriation to pay for the provision of protective services for the lieutenant governor.

Summary of Bill: Statute directs the State Patrol to provide security and protection for the lieutenant governor in addition to the governor and the governor's family.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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

Testimony For: The bill legitimizes an activity that has gone on for a number of years. It is appropriate for the State Patrol to protect the lieutenant governor.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: Rick Jensen, Washington State Patrol (in favor of bill).