

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 1368

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES,  
APRIL 1, 1991

**Brief Description:** Placing conditions on local improvement district assessments against department of wildlife land.

**SPONSORS:** House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Haugen, R. King, H. Sommers, Prince, Silver, Morris, Wood, Moyer and Miller; by request of Department of Wildlife).

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Metcalf, Chairman; Oke, Vice Chairman; Conner, Owen, Patterson, Snyder, and Sutherland.

**Staff:** Vic Moon (786-7469)

**Hearing Dates:** April 1, 1991

**BACKGROUND:**

Counties are authorized to create lake management districts to finance various lake improvement purposes. A lake management district is created, if effected property owners vote to authorize its creation. Property owners are given one vote for each dollar of proposed assessment or rates and charges that the district will impose. If authorized, a lake management district exists for 10 years and imposes assessments or rates and charges to finance its activities. Public property, including property owned by the Department of Wildlife, is subject to the assessments or rates and charges.

**SUMMARY:**

The Department of Wildlife shall not be subject to lake management district assessments or rates and charges that are measured on the basis of the number of boat launchings. Lake front lands subject to the control of the department shall be subject to the same measure of assessments or rates and charges, or class of assessments or rates and charges, that are imposed by a lake management district on privately owned lake front property. These restrictions apply to lake management districts authorized or reauthorized after the effective date of this act.

**Appropriation:** none

**Revenue:** none

**Fiscal Note:** none requested

**TESTIMONY FOR:**

The state should not be taxed differently from other property owners.

**TESTIMONY AGAINST:** None

**TESTIFIED:** Pam Madson, Department of Wildlife