

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5047

AS PASSED SENATE, FEBRUARY 8, 1991

Brief Description: Designating a state tartan.

SPONSORS: Senators Bauer, McCaslin, Sutherland, L. Smith, Moore, Snyder, Niemi and Wojahn.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators McCaslin, Chairman; Roach, Vice Chairman; Madsen, Matson, and Sutherland.

Staff: Rod McAulay (786-7754)

Hearing Dates: January 29, 1991

BACKGROUND:

A tartan is a plaid design for the weaving of cloth consisting of perpendicular bands on a solid background. Different tartans are associated with specific Scottish and Irish clans, military regiments or other entities. A particular tartan is identified by the background color and the color and width of the crossing bands in the pattern. There is no tartan designated for the state of Washington.

SUMMARY:

A Washington State tartan is designated consisting of blue, white, yellow, red and black bands on a green background. The Secretary of State is authorized to register the tartan with the Scottish Tartan Society in Comrie, Perthshire, Scotland.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested

TESTIMONY FOR:

Commemorates the role of Scots in the development of the state, and stimulates tourism generated by Highland Games and dance events around the state.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Senator Bauer (pro); Margaret McLeod van Nus (pro); Frederick van Nus (pro); Ralph Munro, Secretary of State (pro)