SENATE BILL REPORT

ESSB 5395

AS PASSED SENATE, APRIL 10, 1991

Brief Description:

SPONSORS: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators McDonald, Niemi, Conner, Rasmussen, Bauer and Erwin; by request of Governor Gardner).

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5395 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators McDonald, Chairman; Craswell, Vice Chairman; Bailey, Bauer, Bluechel, Gaspard, Johnson, L. Kreidler, Metcalf, Murray, Niemi, Owen, Rinehart, A. Smith, Talmadge, West, Williams, and Wojahn.

Staff: Steve Jones (786-7715)

Hearing Dates: April 3, 1991; April 4, 1991

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

BACKGROUND:

Expenditures of money for the operating expenses of the agencies and institutions of state government are authorized by the Legislature for fiscal periods of two years, beginning July 1 in odd-numbered years. Periodically during the biennium, supplemental appropriations are made. The operating budget for the 1989-91 fiscal biennium was adopted by the 1989 Legislature. Supplemental appropriations were made during the 1990 session.

SUMMARY:

Supplemental appropriations from the state general fund and other special funds and accounts are made for the operating expenses of state government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1991 and ending June 30, 1993. Supplemental capital appropriations for the 1989-91 biennium are included.

Appropriation: \$71.3 million (of which \$43.1 million is from the state general fund).

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

TESTIMONY:

Funding was requested for a variety of projects and purposes, including fire suppression costs, reemployment support programs, mental health programs, and sundry claims.

TESTIFIED: Jim Cummings, Seattle Worker Center; Art Stearns, Department of Natural Resources; Joe C. Grentz, sundry claimant; Doug Stevenson, Association of Counties; Pat Thibadeau, Washington Community Mental Health Council

HOUSE AMENDMENT(S):

Various appropriations are modified. Total appropriations are \$74.1 million, of which \$43.3 is from the general fund-state.