SENATE BILL REPORT

SCR 8416

AS PASSED SENATE, JUNE 24, 1991

Brief Description: Resolving to create the Washington Condominium Task Force.

SPONSORS: Senators Nelson and Talmadge.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Nelson, Chairman; Erwin, Hayner, M. Kreidler, Newhouse, and A. Smith.

Staff: Ben Barnes (786-7465)

Hearing Dates: June 20, 1991

BACKGROUND:

In 1987, the Legislature created a statutory committee, the Condominium Task Force, to update the former statute governing the creation of condominiums (the Horizontal Property Regimes Act) in accordance with the Uniform Condominium Act. The task force was comprised of representatives of condominium associations, developers, mortgage bankers, title companies, realtors, consumers, attorneys, and county assessors. In 1989, the Washington Condominium Act, drafted by the Condominium Task Force, was enacted by the Legislature and went into effect on July 1, 1990.

Senate Bill 5075, which recreated the Condominium Task Force, was vetoed by the Governor on May 16, 1991.

SUMMARY:

The Washington Condominium Task Force is created to review the Washington Condominium Act, draft recommended revisions to the act, and prepare appropriate revisions to the Official Comments to the act.

One member each of the majority and minority parties of the Senate and the House Representatives is appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively.

The task force is required to report to the Legislature by March 1, 1992.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested

TESTIMONY FOR:

The resolution recreates the Condominium Task Force to review and refine the Washington Condominium Act.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Gary Ackerman, WSBA, Condominium Task Force