## FINAL BILL REPORT SB 5273

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Extending the use of veterans' scoring criteria in employment examinations.

**Sponsors:** Senators Roach, Winsley, Kastama, Shin, Franklin, Rasmussen, Oke, Swecker, Schmidt, Reardon, West and McCaslin.

## Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections House Committee on State Government

**Background:** Veterans receive extra points in competitive examinations to determine qualification of applicants for public employment.

Ten points are given to wartime veterans who do not receive military retirement, for the examination resulting in the veteran's first appointment.

Five points are given to peace time veterans and to veterans receiving military retirement for the examination resulting in the veteran's first appointment.

Five points are given to veterans who are called into active military service for one year or more, from public employment. This applies only to the first promotional examination.

There is a limitation on receipt of all these veterans' points. They must be claimed within 15 years of the veteran's release from active service, with limited exceptions.

**Summary:** All exceptions and limitations are eliminated. The veterans' points remain available to veterans upon their release from active service.

## **Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate 46 1 House 86 6

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