

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5935

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Consolidating fire service mobilization responsibilities within the Washington state patrol.

Sponsors: Senators Brandland, Oke, Swecker, Hale, Rasmussen, Schmidt and Winsley; by request of Washington State Patrol.

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

Background: The State Fire Protection Policy Board recommends refinements to the Adjutant General as head of the Military Department to improve the state's fire services mobilization plan. This plan is in place and then implemented when a fire, or other emergency, requires a coordinated response from local, regional and state fire protection jurisdictions. The fire mobilization plan is part of the state comprehensive emergency management plan. Emergency Management is a division of the Washington State Military Department.

Summary: The duties for fire mobilization are transferred from the Military Department to the Washington State Patrol. The Military Department consults with the patrol in developing the procedures to facilitate as prompt as possible reimbursement to the jurisdictions and state agencies mobilized pursuant to the state fire mobilization plan.

A state law enforcement mobilization board is created with the responsibility to create a state law enforcement mobilization plan that is consistent with the incident command system. The state board consists of one representative from each of nine regional law enforcement mobilization committees. The regional committees develop regional plans consistent with the incident command system, the state plan and any regional plans already in effect. Each regional plan must be approved by the state board.

The purpose of the state plan is to achieve reimbursement to the host jurisdiction and the law enforcement agencies that are mobilized by command of the Chief of the Washington State Patrol in times of emergency.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	49	0	
House	93	0	(House amended)
Senate	48	0	(Senate concurred)

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