

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1195

As of March 9, 2009

Title: An act relating to payment of undisputed claims.

Brief Description: Regarding payment of undisputed claims.

Sponsors: Representatives Haigh, Kristiansen and Hunt; by request of Capital Projects Advisory Review Board.

Brief History: Passed House: 3/04/09, 95-0.

Committee Activity: Government Operations & Elections:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & ELECTIONS

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Background: Completion of a public works project may require work outside the scope of the original contract; for example, to bring the project in line with newly established or amended environmental regulations. A change order calls for modifications to a contract for things such as additional work or an extended completion time. The public entity must approve of the request for the contractor to receive payment.

Summary of Bill: For additional work beyond the scope of the contract, the state or municipality must issue a change order within 30 days of satisfactory completion of all or a portion of the additional work. If a change order is not issued within 30 days, the state or municipality must pay interest at a rate of 1 percent per month.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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