FINAL BILL REPORT ESSB 5187

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium operating appropriations and 2021-2023 fiscal biennium second supplemental operating appropriations.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rolfes, Robinson and Nguyen; by request of Office of Financial Management).

Senate Committee on Ways & Means

Background: The operating expenses of state government and its agencies and programs are funded on a biennial basis by an omnibus operating budget adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. State operating expenses are paid from the state general fund and from various dedicated funds and accounts.

Summary: Biennial appropriations for the 2023-25 fiscal biennium for the various agencies and programs of the state are enacted, including appropriations for general government agencies, human services programs, natural resources agencies, and educational institutions.

Supplemental operating appropriations are made for the 2021-23 fiscal biennium.

Various revisions are made to appropriations. Summary materials can be found at: https://fiscal.wa.gov/statebudgets/2023proposals/so2325bien.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 40 9

House 57 40 (House amended)

(Senate refused to concur/asked House for conference)

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Conference Committee

House 58 40 Senate 37 12

Effective: May 16, 2023

Partial Veto Summary:

Twenty-three sections or subsections of the 2023-25 biennial operating budget and 2023 supplemental budget were vetoed, including the following:

- dealing with a special education performance audit;
- a Human Services Provider Contracts Work Group;
- a Housing Supply and Affordability Task Force;
- a Net Metering Work Group;
- communication provider compensation reporting to the Utilities and Transportation Commission;
- a Building Code Council Technical Advisory Group;
- a Naselle Youth Camp feasibility study;
- Department of Social and Health Services community notification and consultation on placement of sexually violent predators;
- Health Care Authority managed care performance measures;
- Department of Corrections (DOC) restrictive housing health evaluations;
- Washington Cares Program communication and outreach;
- approval process for Department of Natural Resources leases;
- Office of Financial Management Lease Cost Pool;
- biennial and supplemental appropriation reductions associated with office space use reductions;
- FY 2023 reductions to appropriations for DOC, the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Arts Commission; and
- four bills (SSB 5672, ESSB 5284, 2SHB 1010, HB 1681) that failed to pass the Legislature.