

FINAL BILL REPORT

ESSB 5103

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Making supplemental appropriations for the 1993-95 biennium.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rinehart and West; by request of Office of Financial Management).

Senate Committee on Ways & Means

Background: The agencies and institutions of state government operate on a fiscal biennium beginning on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. The omnibus biennial appropriations act is adopted by the Legislature during the legislative session preceding the beginning of the biennium. Supplemental budgets are considered in subsequent legislative sessions.

Summary: 1993-95 biennial appropriations for various state agencies are modified. Significant appropriations from the state General Fund include \$45 million for costs associated with the 1994 forest fires, \$22 million for income assistance to pay for the cost of shortfalls in child support collections, and \$18 million for educational technology in community and technical colleges. Reductions are made in prior appropriations to reflect reduced Medicaid costs (\$68 million) and lower-than-anticipated enrollments in the public school system (\$43 million). The net decrease in state General Fund appropriations is \$1 million.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 47 0

First Special Session

Senate 45 0

House 86 2

House 88 2 (House reconsidered)

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