

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 2392

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Creating the joint task force on local governments.

Sponsors: By House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Doumit, Mulliken, Scott, Mielke, Miloscia, Hatfield, Fortunato, Fisher, Kenney, Edwards and Wolfe).

House Committee on Local Government
Senate Committee on State & Local Government

Background:

Prior to the passage of Initiative 695, certain local governments received revenue in the form of sales tax equalization, which was funded through the motor vehicle excise tax (MVET) receipts. Following passage of the initiative, which repealed the MVET, these local government revenues were reduced.

Summary of Bill:

A joint legislative task force is created to study the funding and delivery of local government services. The task force commences on July 1, 2000, and is to report interim findings and recommendations during the 2001 session, and have a final report and potential legislation prepared for the 2002 session. The task force is to complete a thorough study of the delivery of government services, the allotment of revenues, and collection and distribution of various fines and forfeitures.

The task force is made up of 17 members, four each from the House and Senate, four from the Association of Washington Cities, two from the Washington State Association of Counties, two from the Washington Association of County Officials, and a representative of the Governor. The task force may also appoint non-voting experts and advisors as necessary.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 96 0
Senate 43 0 (Senate amended)
House (House refused to concur)
Senate 45 0 (Senate amended)
House 98 0 (House concurred)

Effective: June 8, 2000