

5080-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections
(originally sponsored by Senators Stevens, Mulliken, Benton,
Hewitt, Honeyford, Morton, McCaslin, Parlette and T. Sheldon)

Brief Description: Imposing a hiring freeze within state
government.

SB 5080-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that the number of employees employed by cabinet-level agencies of state government shall not exceed the actual employment level of the agency on March 1, 2003, for all employee positions paid for, in full or in part, with funds from the state general fund.

Does not apply to executive branch agencies managed by statewide elected officials.

Provides that, beginning March 1, 2003, each cabinet-level agency of state government is prohibited from hiring replacements for employees who leave the agency regardless of the reason. This prohibition attaches to all employee positions paid for, in full or in part, with funds from the state general fund.

Designates exceptions to the freeze.

Expires June 30, 2005.