

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5102

Brief Description: Establishing a public records exemption for the proprietary information of public risk pools.

Sponsors: Senator Hasegawa.

Senate Committee on State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections

House Committee on State Government & Tribal Relations

Background: Local Government Joint Self-Insurance Risk Pools. State law authorizes local governments to self-insure against property and liability risks; jointly purchase insurance or reinsurance; and contract for risk management, claims, and administrative services. Agreements to form joint self-insurance risk pools must be done through interlocal agreements. The Office of Risk Management within the Department of Enterprise Services is responsible for the regulation of these self-insurance pools.

Public Records Act. The Public Records Act (PRA) requires state and local agencies to make all public records available for public inspection and copying unless exempted, such as certain financial, commercial, and proprietary information.

Summary: Creating a Public Risk Pool Exemption for Information Used by Public Risk Pools. Formulas and data public risk pools use to calculate rates for pool member contributions or assessments, and actuarial analyses and reports prepared by or for public risk pools are exempt from the PRA.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 49 0

House 74 21

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

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