Appropriations Committee

SSB 5085

Brief Description: Providing that transportation accounts receive one hundred percent of their proportionate share of earnings.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Swecker and Murray).

Brief Summary of Substitute Bill

• Allows transportation accounts to receive 100 percent of their proportionate share of earnings.

Hearing Date: 4/16/07

Staff: Owen Rowe (786-7391).

Background:

Accounts established in the State Treasury earn interest income based on the average daily balance of the account. Some accounts retain 100 percent of the interest income they generate and are subject to the State Treasurer's service fee. The State Treasurer's service fee is established by the State Treasurer and allocated uniformly across all subject accounts. Revenue generated by the State Treasurer's service fee funds the operation and administration of the State Treasurer's office. Historically, revenue generated by the State Treasurer's service fee in excess of the amounts necessary to fund the State Treasury's operating costs have been transferred to the General Fund-State. Certain other accounts retain 80 percent of the interest income they generate with the remaining 20 percent being credited to the General Fund-State.

Summary of Bill:

Transportation accounts that currently retain only 80 percent of the interest income they generate will instead retain 100 percent of the interest income they generate and will be subject to the State Treasurer's service fee.

Appropriation: None.

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Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.