

HOUSE BILL REPORT

SB 5798

As Passed House:

April 6, 2007

Title: An act relating to design-build construction for transportation projects.

Brief Description: Preserving the use of design-build construction on certain transportation projects.

Sponsors: By Senators Swecker and Haugen.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Transportation: 3/28/07, 3/30/07 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 4/6/07, 96-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Removes the expiration date for the directive that the Department of Transportation develop a design-build process.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 21 members: Representatives Clibborn, Chair; Flannigan, Vice Chair; Jarrett, Ranking Minority Member; Appleton, Armstrong, Curtis, Dickerson, Hailey, Hankins, Hudgins, Lovick, Rodne, Rolfes, Sells, Simpson, Springer, B. Sullivan, Takko, Upthegrove, Wallace and Wood.

Staff: Jeff Olsen (786-7157).

Background:

In 1998, the Legislature granted the Department of Transportation (DOT) statutory authority to use design-build contracting on two pilot projects, each of which had to cost over \$10 million. The DOT was directed to develop criteria for use of the design-build process to include the scope of services, contractor pre-qualification requirements, evaluation criteria, and a dispute resolution procedure.

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In 2001, the Legislature granted the authority to use design-build on projects costing over \$10 million, and extended the expiration date to April 30, 2008. During the 2006 session, the Legislature removed the April 30, 2008, expiration date, and authorized up to five pilot projects on smaller design-build projects costing between \$2 and \$5 million.

Summary of Bill:

The expiration date for the DOT to develop a design-build process is removed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: None.

Persons Testifying: None.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.