FINAL BILL REPORT SSB 6277

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Providing for the accommodation of certain private transit providers at park and ride lots.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen and Spanel).

Senate Committee on Transportation House Committee on Transportation

Background: Various local transit agencies own and operate park and ride lots as part of the agencies' public transportation service. The transit agencies provide regularly scheduled service at the lots. The park and ride lots are not specifically established for the purpose of accomodating private transit options, such as aeroporters and special-needs' transportation providers.

Summary: Any local transit agency that has received state funding for a park and ride lot must accommodate at that lot auto transportation companies (e.g., aeroporters) or special-needs' transportation providers. Only private transit providers that intend to provide, or already provide, regularly scheduled service at that lot qualify for the accommodation. The accommodation must be in the form of an agreement between the transit agency and the private transit provider. However, no accommodation is required if the lot is at or exceeds 90 percent capacity.

Local transit agencies may enter into cooperative agreements in order to accommodate taxicab companies at park and ride lots.

Votes on Final Passage:

48 0 Senate (House amended) House 94 0 Senate (Senate refused to concur) House 96 0 (House amended) Senate 47 0 (Senate concurred)

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