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HOUSE BILL 1482

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By Representatives Takko, Flannigan, Springer and Hailey; by request of Transportation Improvement Board

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- AN ACT Relating to retaining the distribution of city hardship assistance program funds to cities and towns for street maintenance; amending RCW 47.26.080 and 47.26.164; and reenacting and amending RCW
- 4 46.68.110.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 Sec. 1. RCW 46.68.110 and 2005 c 314 s 106 and 2005 c 89 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - Funds credited to the incorporated cities and towns of the state as set forth in RCW 46.68.090 shall be subject to deduction and distribution as follows:
 - (1) One and one-half percent of such sums distributed under RCW 46.68.090 shall be deducted monthly as such sums are credited and set aside for the use of the department of transportation for the supervision of work and expenditures of such incorporated cities and towns on the city and town streets thereof, including the supervision and administration of federal-aid programs for which the department of transportation has responsibility: PROVIDED, That any moneys so retained and not expended shall be credited in the succeeding biennium

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to the incorporated cities and towns in proportion to deductions herein made;

- (2) Thirty-three one-hundredths of one percent of such funds distributed under RCW 46.68.090 shall be deducted monthly, as such funds accrue, and set aside for the use of the department of transportation for the purpose of funding the cities' share of the costs of highway jurisdiction studies and other studies. Any funds so retained and not expended shall be credited in the succeeding biennium to the cities in proportion to the deductions made;
- (3) One percent of such funds distributed under RCW 46.68.090 shall be deducted monthly, as such funds accrue, to be deposited in the ((urban arterial trust)) small city pavement and sidewalk account, to implement the city hardship assistance program, as provided in RCW 47.26.164. However, any moneys so retained and not required to carry out the program under this subsection as of July 1st of each odd-numbered year thereafter, shall be ((provided within sixty days to the treasurer and distributed in the manner prescribed in subsection (4) of this section)) retained in the account and used for maintenance, repair, and resurfacing of city and town streets for cities and towns with a population of less than five thousand;
 - (4) After making the deductions under subsections (1) through (3) of this section and RCW 35.76.050, the balance remaining to the credit of incorporated cities and towns after such deduction shall be apportioned monthly as such funds accrue among the several cities and towns within the state ratably on the basis of the population last determined by the office of financial management.
- **Sec. 2.** RCW 47.26.080 and 1999 c 94 s 16 are each amended to read as follows:

There is hereby created in the motor vehicle fund the urban arterial trust account. The intent of the urban arterial trust account program is to improve the arterial street system of the state by improving mobility and safety while supporting an environment essential to the quality of life of the citizens of the state of Washington. The ((city hardship assistance program, as provided in RCW 47.26.164, and the)) small city program, as provided for in RCW 47.26.115, ((are)) is implemented within the urban arterial trust account.

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The board shall not allocate funds, nor make payments of the funds under RCW 47.26.260, to any county, city, or town identified by the governor under RCW 36.70A.340.

Sec. 3. RCW 47.26.164 and 1999 c 94 s 20 are each amended to read as follows:

The board shall adopt reasonable rules necessary to implement the city hardship assistance program as recommended by the road jurisdiction study.

The following criteria shall be used to implement the program:

- (1) Only those cities with a net gain in cost responsibility due to jurisdictional transfers in chapter 342, Laws of 1991, as determined by the board, may participate;
- (2) ((Cities with populations of fifteen thousand or less, as determined by the office of financial management, may participate;
- (3)) The board shall develop criteria and procedures under which eligible cities may request funding for rehabilitation projects on city streets acquired under chapter 342, Laws of 1991; and
- ((+4))) (3) The board shall also be authorized to allocate funds from the city hardship assistance program to cities with a population under twenty thousand to ((+6) extraordinary costs associated with the transfer of roadways other than pursuant to chapter 342, Laws of 1991, that occur after January 1, 1991)) maintain, repair, and resurface city and town streets.

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