Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

BILL ANALYSIS

Transportation Committee

SB 6209

Brief Description: Allowing moneys paid to county road funds to be used for park and ride lots.

Sponsors: Senators Haugen, Berkey, Marr, Shin and Sheldon.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Expands the purposes for which county road funds may be used to include the construction, maintenance, or improvement of park and ride lots.

Hearing Date: 2/22/10

Staff: Kathryn Leathers (786-7114).

Background:

By statute, a county road fund is created in each county and funds that accrue to any county for use on county roads must be deposited in the county road fund. Such funds may include local tax levies, state motor vehicle funds, and federal funds. Generally, all money deposited into a county road fund is restricted to county road purposes. County road purposes include the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, or maintenance of county roads and bridges. If related to county roads, such purposes also include acquiring rights-of-way, the operations of the county engineering office, removal of barriers to fish passages, and the payment of interest or principal on general obligation county road bonds.

Summary of Bill:

It is established that the construction, maintenance, or improvement of park and ride lots is a county road purpose.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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