Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

BILL ANALYSIS

Transportation Committee

SB 6330

Brief Description: Permitting the placement of human trafficking informational posters in rest areas.

Sponsors: Senators Kohl-Welles, Delvin, Haugen, Swecker, Kline, Fraser, Shin, Fairley and Roach.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows the Washington State Department of Transportation to work with human trafficking victim advocates to develop informational posters for placement in rest areas.
- Requires that any policies developed regarding poster placement address placement of these posters in bathroom stalls.

Hearing Date: 2/26/10

Staff: Christie Parker (786-7322).

Background:

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and the Washington State Patrol are responsible for adopting rules governing the conduct and safety of the traveling public at rest areas. The WSDOT may establish information centers at safety rest areas and allow maps, informational directories, and advertising pamphlets to be made available at these locations.

Summary of Bill:

The WSDOT may work with advocates to develop posters about human trafficking for placement in rest areas. The WSDOT may adopt policies regarding placement of these posters; these policies must address placement of the posters in bathroom stalls. Posters may be in a variety of languages and include toll-free telephone numbers to call for assistance.

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Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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

passed.

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