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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Modifying the transportation system policy goals.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Kastama, Berkey, Swecker, Haugen, Kilmer and Shin).

Senate Committee on Transportation House Committee on Transportation

Background: Current law identifies five statewide transportation system policy goals for the planning, operation, performance of, and investment in, the state's transportation system. The policy goals are identified as follows:

- Preservation: To maintain, preserve, and extend the life and utility of prior investments in transportation systems and services;
- Safety: To provide for and improve the safety and security of transportation customers and the transportation system;
- Mobility: To improve the predictable movement of goods and people throughout Washington State;
- Environment: To enhance Washington's quality of life through transportation investments that promote energy conservation, enhance healthy communities, and protect the environment; and
- Stewardship: To continuously improve the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of the transportation system.

Summary: A sixth statewide transportation system policy goal is added as follows:

• Economic vitality: To promote and develop transportation systems that stimulate, support, and enhance the movement of people and goods to ensure a prosperous economy.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 43 0 House 98 0

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