FINAL BILL REPORT SSB 5797

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Eliminating the urban arterial trust account.

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

Senate Committee on Transportation House Committee on Transportation

Background: The Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) is a state agency that distributes and manages highway construction and maintenance grants to cities and urban counties. TIB is funded from \$0.03 of the state gas tax. TIB administers six grant programs that serve cities, urban counties, and transportation benefit districts. TIB manages grants through three different accounts:

- the Small City Pavement and Sidewalk Account;
- the Transportation Improvement Account; and
- the Urban Arterial Trust Account.

The Local Agency Efficiencies Study, conducted by the Joint Transportation Committee, finalized in January 2011, recommended consolidating the Urban Arterial Trust Account and the Transportation Improvement Account to allow for simpler cash management.

Summary: The Urban Arterial Trust Account is eliminated and all deposits are transferred into the Transportation Improvement Account.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 47 0 House 96 0

Effective: July 22, 2011.

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