SENATE BILL REPORT SSB 5975

As Passed Senate, February 25, 2022

Title: An act relating to additive transportation funding and appropriations.

Brief Description: Concerning additive transportation funding and appropriations.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Liias, Randall, Carlyle, Cleveland, Das, Dhingra, Hunt, Kuderer, Lovelett, Lovick, Mullet, Nguyen, Nobles, Rolfes, Salomon, Trudeau, Wellman and Wilson, C.).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 2/21/22, 2/23/22 [DPS, DNP].

Floor Activity: Passed Senate: 2/25/22, 29-20.

Brief Summary of First Substitute Bill

- Makes additive transportation appropriations for the 2021-23 fiscal biennium.
- States the Legislature's intent representing a commitment to provide Climate Commitment Act-related appropriations to identified agencies, programs, and activities through fiscal year 2038.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5975 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Liias, Chair; Saldaña, Vice Chair; Cleveland, Das, Lovelett, Lovick, Nguyen, Nobles, Randall, Sheldon and Wilson, C.

Minority Report: Do not pass.

Signed by Senators King, Ranking Member; Fortunato, Hawkins, Holy, Padden and Wilson, J.

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Background: The operating and capital expenses of state transportation agencies and programs are funded on a biennial basis by an omnibus transportation budget adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. Supplemental budgets may be adopted during the biennium, making various modifications to agency appropriations.

Summary of First Substitute Bill: Additive transportation appropriations are made for the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium. The appropriations reflect the 2021-2023 portion of the Legislature's intended funding levels specified in LEAP Transportation Document 2022-A as developed February 8, 2022, representing a commitment to provide Climate Commitment Act-related appropriations to the agencies, programs, and activities at the amounts identified through fiscal year 2038.

Budget summary materials can be found in the SCS tab in the committee materials for the public hearing.

Appropriation: Various.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony on First Substitute: Please refer to the February 21, 2022 recording of the public hearing on the Senate Transportation Committee Schedules, Agendas & Documents website at:

https://app.leg.wa.gov/committeeschedules/#//TRAN/.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Veronica Jarvis, Thurston Regional Planning Council; Brett Gailey, City of Lake Stevens - Brett Gailey, Mayor; Bryce Yadon, Transportation Choices Coalition; Alex Alston, Washington Bikes; Amy Grotefendt, Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce; Charles Knutson, Amazon; Misha Lujan, Economic Alliance Snohomish County; Joe Clark, Twin Transit; Terry White, King County Metro; Justin Leighton, Washington State Transit Association; Paige Malott; Andrew Grant Houston; Erik Nelson; Irene Plenefisch, Microsoft Corporation; Autumn Sharp; Derek Richards; Vy Nguyen; Joe A Kunzler, None; RAY PAOLELLA, William O. Douglas Trail Foundation.

CON: Victor Bishop, Eastside Transportation Association (ETA).

OTHER: Luis Moscoso, All Aboard Washington; Breck Lebegue, WA Physicians for Social Responsibility; Lael White; Thomas White; Isaac Kastama, Clean & Prosperous Washington; Adam Mohabbat; Rhett Lawrence, Forth Mobility; Kimberly Kinchen; Mike Ennis, Association of Washington Business; Chris Herman, Washington Public Ports

Association.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: No one.