

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1788

As Reported By House Committee On:

Transportation

Title: An act relating to increasing flexibility in motor vehicle fund distributions to cities and counties.

Brief Description: Providing for more flexibility in the motor vehicle fund distributions to cities and counties.

Sponsors: Representatives K. Schmidt, Chandler, Mitchell and Robertson.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Transportation: 2/22/95, 2/28/95 [DPS].

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 24 members: Representatives K. Schmidt, Chairman; Benton, Vice Chairman; Mitchell, Vice Chairman; Skinner, Vice Chairman; Hatfield, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Backlund; Blanton; Brown; Buck; Cairnes; Chandler; Chopp; Hankins; Horn; Johnson; Koster; McMahan; Ogden; Quall; Robertson; Romero; D. Schmidt; Scott and Tokuda.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 1 member: Representative R. Fisher, Ranking Minority Member.

Staff: Robin Rettew (786-7306).

Background: The 23-cent state fuel tax is expected to generate about \$1.3 billion in 1995-97. Of this, \$0.4 million will be directly distributed to cities and counties.

Cities receive 2.46 cents of the 23-cent state fuel tax and counties receive 4.43 cents of the 23-cent state fuel tax.

Use of motor vehicle funds is restricted by the 18th Amendment of the state constitution to highway purposes.

Summary of Substitute Bill: Cities and counties are allowed to transfer state motor vehicle fund distributions for non-18th Amendment sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis. Cities and counties could use non-18th Amendment fund sources for nonhighway purposes such as transit.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill: The substitute bill allows any fund sources not subject to the 18th Amendment to be transferred for motor vehicle fund distributions to cities and counties on a dollar-per-dollar basis. The original bill limited the transfer between the motor vehicle and transportation funds.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date of Substitute Bill: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: None.