SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1193

As Reported By Senate Committee On: Transportation, March 16, 1995

Title: An act relating to the transportation capital facilities account.

Brief Description: Giving the department of transportation discretion in setting capital facility rental rates.

Sponsors: Representatives Benton, Mitchell, K. Schmidt and R. Fisher; by request of Department of Transportation.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 3/16/95 [DPA].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Owen, Chair; Fairley, Haugen, Morton, Prentice, Prince, Rasmussen, Schow, Sellar and Wood.

Staff: Gene Baxtrom (786-7303)

Background: Beginning in July 1991, the Department of Transportation was required to set and charge rental rates to department programs for the use of its real property, buildings or structures. Receipts from rental charges are to be placed in the transportation capital facilities account. Monies in that account are to be used to purchase, construct, repair, maintain and operate real property or structures necessary to carry out the duties of the department for the state transportation system.

The 1993-95 transportation budget did not include the appropriation authority for each program to pay the rental charges to the account. Rather, monies were appropriated directly from the motor vehicle fund to the capital facilities account.

Summary of Amended Bill: Existing language requiring the Department of Transportation to charge rental rates to department programs for the use of department-owned real property, buildings, and structures is repealed, as is the requirement that receipts from such charges be deposited into the transportation capital facilities account.

Amended Bill Compared to Original Bill: Rather than making the obligatory language for such rental charges optional, the requirement language is repealed. The requirement that those charges be deposited into the transportation capital facilities account is also repealed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: No one.

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