SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5228

As of January 25, 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: Senators Owen and Prince; by request of Department of Transportation.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 1/25/95.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Staff: Gene Baxstrom (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 such real property or structures 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 Bill: It is optional, rather than mandatory, for the Department of Transportation to charge rental rates to department programs for the use of department-owned real property, buildings or structures.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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