HOUSE BILL REPORT SHB 1359

As Passed House:

April 27, 2001

Title: Relating to capital appropriations.

Brief Description: Making appropriations and authorizing expenditures for capital improvements.

Sponsors: By House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Alexander, Murray and McIntire; by request of Governor Locke).

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Capital Budget: 4/26/01 [DPS].

First Special Session

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 4/27/01, 89-7.

Brief Summary of Substitute Bill

· Adopting the 2001-2003 Capital Budget.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL BUDGET

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 17 members: Representatives Alexander, Republican Co-Chair; Murray, Democratic Co-Chair; Armstrong, Republican Vice Chair; Esser, Republican Vice Chair; McIntire, Democratic Vice Chair; Bush, Casada, Hankins, Hunt, Lantz, O'Brien, Ogden, Poulsen, Reardon, Schoesler, Veloria and Woods.

Staff: Charlie Gavigan (786-7340).

Background:

The programs and agencies of state government are funded on a two-year basis, with each fiscal biennium beginning on July 1 of odd-numbered years. The Capital Budget generally includes appropriations for the acquisition, construction, and repair of capital assets such as land, buildings, and other infrastructure improvements. Funding for the

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capital budget is primarily from state general obligation bonds, with other funding derived from various dedicated taxes, fees, and state trust land timber revenues.

Summary of Bill:

The omnibus 2001-03 Capital Budget authorizes \$2.475 billion in new capital projects, of which \$855.2 million is from new state debt limit bonds which must be authorized in a bond bill. Reappropriations of \$1.554 billion are made for uncompleted projects approved in prior biennia.

The Capital Budget also authorizes state agencies to undertake various lease-purchase and lease development projects.

Appropriation: The sum of \$855.2 million from general fund-supported bonds and \$1.620 billion from other funds for new capital projects for 2001-03.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

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

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: None.