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**Transportation Committee**

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**HB 1994**

**Brief Description:** Modifying vehicle size, weight, and load requirements.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Schual-Berke, McDermott, Cody, Dickerson, Hudgins, Upthegrove and Hasegawa.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Increases enforcement and penalties for overweight and overfill trucks that support the construction of a port district third runway project.

**Hearing Date:** 3/3/05

**Staff:** Teresa Berntsen (786-7301).

**Background:**

The Washington State Patrol (WSP) has the power and duty to enforce laws relating to commercial vehicle size, weight, and load limits.

**Summary of Bill:**

The weight and load limit penalties are increased for vehicles that support the construction of a third runway at any airport owned and operated by a county-wide port district with a county population greater than one million five hundred thousand. The county-wide port district responsible for the construction of the project is responsible for the payment of these penalties.

The WSP is directed to assign five full-time officers from the agency's Commercial Vehicle Division to work solely to enforce the size, weight, and load laws with respect to truck operators supporting the construction of a third runway at any airport owned and operated by a county-wide port district with a county population greater than one million five hundred thousand. The WSP's costs for the five officers must be reimbursed by the same county-wide port district.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.