

HOUSE BILL REPORT

ESSB 5972

As Passed House - Amended
April 15, 1993

Title: An act relating to transportation appropriations.

Brief Description: Adopting the transportation budget.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senator Vognild; by request of Office of Financial Management).

Brief History:

Reported by House Committee on:
Transportation, April 13, 1993, DPA;
Passed House - Amended, April 15, 1993, 63-35.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass as amended. Signed by 17 members: Representatives R. Fisher, Chair; Brown, Vice Chair; Jones, Vice Chair; Eide; Finkbeiner; Hansen; Heavey; Johanson; J. Kohl; R. Meyers; H. Myers; Orr; Patterson; Quall; Sheldon; Shin; and Zellinsky.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 9 members: Representatives Schmidt, Ranking Minority Member; Mielke, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Brough; Brumsickle; Forner; Fuhrman; Horn; Miller; and Wood.

Staff: Gene Schlatter (786-7316).

Background: The Legislature must make biennial appropriations for each agency's operating budget and capital improvements. The transportation budget provides funding for the agencies and programs supported by transportation revenues.

Summary of Bill: The state transportation agencies' Omnibus Capital and Operating Appropriations Act for the 1993-95 Fiscal Biennium is enacted. The total appropriation for transportation agencies is \$3.3 billion. The appropriation funds the Department of Transportation's Preservation Program with a state match for new federal programs. It also includes a state match for 10 federal demonstration projects and dedicated Special Capacity Improvements (Cat "C") Program funding at current law level for the 1st Avenue

South Bridge, State Route 18, and Division Street in Spokane. New start construction for the Cat "C" Program is eliminated.

Enhanced ferry service hours are funded along with an additional park and ride facility for Kingston.

The supplemental budget for 1991-93 is included in the 1993-95 budget bill.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Appropriation: Spreadsheets available.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause; sections 1 through 18 and 20 through 61 take effect immediately.