HOUSE BILL REPORT ESSB 6384

As Passed House - Amended:

February 28, 2006

Title: An act relating to the capital budget.

Brief Description: Adopting the 2006 supplemental capital budget.

Sponsors: By Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Fraser,

Prentice, Doumit, Zarelli and Brandland; by request of Governor Gregoire).

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Capital Budget: 2/22/06 [DPA].

Floor Activity:

Passed House - Amended: 2/28/06, 91-6.

Brief Summary of Engrossed Substitute Bill (As Amended by House)

Makes supplemental capital appropriations for the 2005-07 biennium of \$298.2 million.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL BUDGET

Majority Report: Do pass as amended. Signed by 16 members: Representatives Dunshee, Chair; Ormsby, Vice Chair; Blake, Chase, Eickmeyer, Ericks, Flannigan, Green, Hasegawa, Lantz, Moeller, Morrell, O'Brien, Schual-Berke, Springer and Upthegrove.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 11 members: Representatives Jarrett, Ranking Minority Member; Hankins, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Clements, Cox, Ericksen, Kretz, McCune, Newhouse, Roach, Serben and Strow.

Staff: Susan Howson (786-7142).

Background:

Washington operates on a biennial budget cycle. The Legislature authorizes expenditures for capital needs in the Capital Budget for a two-year period, and authorizes bond sales through passage of a bond bill associated with the Capital Budget to fund a portion of these expenditures. The current Capital Budget covers the period from July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2007.

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Summary of Amended Bill:

Supplemental Capital Budget appropriations of \$298.2 million are made for the 2005-07 biennium. (See budget highlights.) The Supplemental Capital Budget appropriates \$124.6 million for new projects from state general obligation bonds. Of this amount, \$83.6 million requires the passage of a bond bill.

Appropriation: The sum of \$298.2 million in new appropriations.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Persons Testifying: (In support) Tom Henderson, State Board for Community and Technical Colleges; Ken Attebery, Port of Bremerton; Tim Botkin, Port of Bremerton; Edie Harding, The Evergreen State College; Laurie Clinton, City of Carnation; Seth Dawson, Washington State Coalition for the Homeless; Eric Johnson, Washington Public Ports Association; Greg Hanon, Western States Petroleum Association; Mo McBroom, Washington Environmental Council; Eric D. Johnson, Washington Public Ports Association; Bruce Wishart, People for Puget Sound; Jeff Gombosky, Eastern Washington University; and William Panos, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(With concerns) Pat Johnson, City of Buckley; Jim Fox, Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation; John Aultman, New Market Skills Center; Mitch Denning, Alliance of Educational Associations; Dale McDaniel, Onalaska School District; Marlys Erickson, Pike Place Market; James McMahan, Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs; Eric Johnson, Washington Public Ports Association; Garrett Havens, Washington Student Lobby; Mike Moran, 2nd Harvest and Food Lifeline; Jim Hedrick, Spokane Chamber; Larry Ganders, Washington State University; Randy Hodgins, University of Washington; Dennis Eagle, Washington Federation of State Employees; and Bob Gee.

(Opposed) Greg Hanon, Western States Petroleum Association.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.

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