

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5921

As of April 22, 2013

Title: An act relating to additive transportation funding.

Brief Description: Concerning additive transportation funding.

Sponsors: Senator Eide.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 4/23/13.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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Background: The Washington State Constitution provides that public funds in the state Treasury may be expended only by appropriation. Such appropriations for transportation agencies are provided in a biennial omnibus Transportation Budget (Budget) adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. The Budget provides appropriations to the major transportation agencies including the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), the Washington State Patrol, the Department of Licensing, the Washington Traffic Safety Commission, the Transportation Improvement Board, the County Road Administration Board, and the Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board. The Budget also provides appropriations out of transportation funds to many smaller agencies with transportation functions. Alternatively, the Legislature may also appropriate state funds through a standalone bill.

Summary of Bill: Appropriations of approximately \$650 million are made for the 2013-15 fiscal biennium for certain projects, maintenance and operations, and debt service for various transportation-related purposes.

Appropriation: Various.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect on August 1, 2013.

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