

HOUSE BILL REPORT

ESHB 2553

As Passed Legislature

Title: An act relating to transportation appropriations.

Brief Description: Adopting the 1992 supplemental transportation budget.

Sponsor(s): By House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives R. Fisher, Betrozoff, R. Meyers and Dellwo; by request of Governor Gardner).

Brief History:

Reported by House Committee on:
Transportation, February 6, 1992, DPS;
Passed House, February 19, 1992, 97-0;
Amended by Senate;
Passed Legislature.

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION**

Majority Report: *The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass.* Signed by 27 members: Representatives R. Fisher, Chair; R. Meyers, Vice Chair; Betrozoff, Ranking Minority Member; Chandler, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Basich; Brough; Cantwell; Cooper; Day; G. Fisher; Forner; Haugen; Heavey; Horn; P. Johnson; R. Johnson; Jones; Kremen; Mitchell; Nelson; Orr; Prentice; Prince; Schmidt; Wilson; Wood; and Zellinsky.

Staff: Gene Schlatter (786-7316).

Background: Appropriation authority is required for the expenditure of state funds. State government operates on the basis of a fiscal biennium that begins on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. A biennial budget was enacted during the 1991 legislative session.

Summary of Bill: The increase in appropriation authority over the current biennium is \$113 million, of which \$15 million is from the Motor Vehicle Fund-State revenues.

A \$142 million budget appropriation is made for transportation agencies of which \$118 million is from the motor vehicle fund-federal and other funds. The \$33 million

appropriation for the Washington State Patrol headquarters facility is eliminated.

Additional funding is provided for the Federal Interstate Program and Federal Demonstration projects identified in the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Appropriation: Spreadsheets available.

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

Testimony For: The increase in appropriation authority is needed to address new federal funds and other needed adjustments.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: Larry Seale, Office of Financial Management.