

FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 6306

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Funding the Puget Island ferry.

SPONSORS: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senator Snyder)

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Transportation is authorized to pay Wahkiakum County up to a maximum of \$1,000 per month for the operation and maintenance of the Puget Island ferry. In addition, at the end of each fiscal year, the department is authorized to reimburse Wahkiakum County for 80 percent of the total deficit incurred during the previous fiscal year less the \$1,000 monthly receipts.

At the 80 percent reimbursement rate, the 1991 deficit has ranged from a low of \$8,000 to a high of \$34,000 per month. The county must carry the deficit until the end of the year because of the \$1,000 per month reimbursement limit.

SUMMARY:

The reimbursement limit of \$1,000 per month is eliminated, thereby allowing the county to receive 80 percent of the operating deficit each month.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate	45	0
House	95	0

EFFECTIVE: June 11, 1992