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By House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Nelson, McLean, Anderson, Belcher, Brumsickle, R. Fisher, Bowman, Betrozoff, Fraser and Rasmussen; by request of Department of General Administration).

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1 AN ACT Relating to transportation to and from and parking at state
2 facilities; adding new sections to chapter 43.19 RCW; creating a new
3 section; repealing RCW 46.08.172; providing an effective date; and
4 declaring an emergency.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that:

7 (1) Access to and from state-owned and leased facilities favors
8 single-occupant automobiles;

9 (2) Current state facilities in some cases do not provide
10 sufficient parking to meet the demands created by reliance on the
11 single-occupant automobile;

12 (3) The costs in traffic congestion, pollution, and building roads
13 and parking facilities to support continued access by single-occupant
14 automobiles are escalating;

1 (4) Subsidized parking at state-owned and leased facilities favors
2 the single-occupancy vehicle, thereby discouraging the use of
3 alternative transportation modes;

4 (5) Giving free or subsidized parking for state employees,
5 especially on capitol campus, provides a valuable benefit to those who
6 commute by car that is not available for those who do not;

7 (6) Cost-effective alternatives to the single-occupant automobile
8 to provide access to state government are available; and

9 (7) There is broad consensus among state and local governments to
10 pursue a coordinated approach to managing parking and transportation
11 for state facilities to improve access to these facilities.

12 Therefore, it is the purpose of sections 1 through 6 of this act to
13 provide the department of general administration, based on the
14 recommendations of the parking and transportation management advisory
15 committee, with authority to develop parking and transportation
16 management programs; ensure that access to state government for
17 customers, employees, and visitors is improved; promote alternatives to
18 the single-occupant automobile; and create an equitable system of
19 parking rates that eliminates state-subsidization of parking on the
20 capitol campus.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The definitions set forth in this section
22 apply throughout sections 1 through 6 of this act.

23 (1) "State agency" means any state office, agency, commission,
24 department, board, or institution financed in whole or part from funds
25 appropriated by the legislature, except institutions of higher
26 education.

27 (2) "State facilities" means all state-owned and leased facilities
28 except state roads and highways, institutions of higher education,

1 state parks, park and ride facilities, ferry terminals, and state
2 military facilities.

3 (3) "Parking and transportation management" means policies and
4 programs designed for the specific users of state facilities that
5 reduce the impact on local transportation infrastructure.

6 (4) "Parking and transportation management advisory committee"
7 means a committee consisting of, but not limited to:

8 (a) The director of the department of ecology or designee, the
9 director of the state energy office or designee, the director of the
10 department of general administration or designee who shall serve as
11 chair, the secretary of the department of social and health services or
12 designee, and the secretary of the department of transportation or
13 designee;

14 (b) Two representatives of state employees appointed by the
15 governor, one of whom shall represent an employee association certified
16 as exclusive representative of at least one bargaining unit of
17 classified employees, and one of whom shall represent an employee union
18 certified as exclusive representative of at least one bargaining unit
19 of classified employees;

20 (c) One member of a transit agency selected by the Washington state
21 transit association;

22 (d) One member of the house of representatives appointed by the
23 speaker of the house, and one member of the senate appointed by the
24 president.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** To carry out the purposes of sections 1
26 through 4 of this act, the director of general administration, based on
27 the recommendations of the parking and transportation management
28 advisory committee, shall:

1 (1) In consultation with state agencies, state employees, local and
2 regional governments, local public transit agencies, the business
3 community, and other interested groups, develop and implement a
4 comprehensive state agency transportation and parking management
5 program for state facilities;

6 (2) Encourage commute trip reduction plans by implementing
7 alternatives to the single-occupant automobile, including but not
8 limited to identifying alternative methods of travel, and programs and
9 facilities and funding sources that support these alternatives;

10 (3) Provide transportation and parking criteria in the development
11 of new or renovated state facilities, including but not limited to
12 facility siting and design;

13 (4) Establish standards governing the management and allocation of
14 parking spaces in state-owned and leased parking facilities, among
15 visitors, clients, state employees, and service providers;

16 (5) Establish a fair and equitable system of parking rates for
17 visitors, clients, state employees, and service providers using state-
18 owned and leased facilities, which reflects the legislature's intent to
19 eliminate state-subsidization of parking on the capitol campus;

20 (6) Establish an operational unit within the department and employ
21 such personnel as are necessary to carry out the purposes of sections
22 1 through 4 of this act. The program manager is exempt from chapter
23 41.06 RCW;

24 (7) Establish a performance evaluation policy, including changes in
25 travel behavior based on vehicle occupancy goals as measured by routine
26 travel surveys;

27 (8) Establish necessary rules and procedures for carrying out the
28 purposes of sections 1 through 4 of this act;

29 (9) Delegate the authority granted to the director, based on
30 recommendations of the parking and transportation management advisory

1 committee, under sections 3 and 4 of this act to any agency upon such
2 terms as considered advisable.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The director of general administration,
4 based on recommendations of the parking and transportation management
5 advisory committee, shall establish fees and charges for parking and
6 transportation programs. Fees and charges shall be used as follows:

7 (1) Revenues collected from parking charges on the capitol campus
8 shall be first applied to debt service as specified in the bonds issued
9 for the parking facilities and office buildings constructed with state
10 funds.

11 (2) The state agency transportation and parking management account
12 is created in the state treasury. Any funds remaining after the debt
13 specified by subsection (1) of this section is satisfied, as well as
14 revenues collected as parking fees at locations other than the capitol
15 campus, and charges from other transportation programs that are part of
16 the state agency transportation and parking management plan shall be
17 paid to the account. The department of general administration shall
18 administer the account.

19 (3) The account shall be used for the payment of costs, expenses,
20 and charges incurred in the operation and administration of
21 transportation or parking programs, transportation allowances, transit
22 or vanpool subsidies, or other direct payments to commuters
23 administered by the department of general administration, based on the
24 recommendations of the parking and transportation management advisory
25 committee, or other state agencies as part of the state agency
26 transportation and parking management program. The programs of the
27 various state agencies shall be treated as separate entities for
28 financial and accounting control. Revenues collected as parking fees
29 or as charges for other transportation programs that are part of the

1 state agency transportation and parking management plan, but that are
2 administered by agencies other than the department of general
3 administration, shall be paid to the account of the agency within the
4 account, and shall be applied to the program from which the revenues
5 were collected.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The director of general administration,
7 based on recommendations of the parking and transportation management
8 advisory committee, shall adopt and enforce such rules as may be deemed
9 necessary to accomplish the purpose of sections 1 through 4 of this
10 act.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** All state agencies shall, whenever
12 practical, hold public hearings in facilities that are easily
13 accessible by public transportation.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** Sections 1 through 6 of this act are each
15 added to chapter 43.19 RCW.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** The parking and transportation management
17 advisory committee shall undertake a study on the effectiveness of the
18 parking and transportation program and shall report its findings to the
19 legislature by July 1, 1994.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** RCW 46.08.172 and 1988 ex.s. c 2 s 901,
21 1985 c 57 s 59, 1984 c 258 s 323, & 1963 c 158 s 1 are each repealed.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** This act is necessary for the immediate
23 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
24 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take

1 effect July 1, 1991.