

SENATE BILL 5209

State of Washington 52nd Legislature 1991 Regular Session

By Senators Vognild, Sellar, Rasmussen, Matson, Snyder and Patterson.

Read first time January 24, 1991. Referred to Committee on
Transportation.

1 AN ACT Relating to the legislative transportation committee; and
2 amending RCW 44.40.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 44.40.010 and 1980 c 87 s 39 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The joint fact-finding committee on highways, streets, and bridges
7 originally created by chapter 111, Laws of 1947, recreated and renamed
8 the joint committee on highways by chapter 3, Laws of 1963
9 extraordinary session, is hereby recreated and renamed the legislative
10 transportation committee. The renaming of said committee shall not
11 affect any powers invested in it or its duties imposed upon it by any
12 other statute. All appropriations made to the committee under its
13 former name shall continue to be available to said committee as
14 renamed, the legislative transportation committee. The committee shall
15 consist of ((eleven)) twelve senators to be appointed by the president

1 of the senate and twelve members of the house of representatives to be
2 appointed by the speaker thereof. Not more than six members from each
3 house shall be from the same political party. A list of appointees
4 shall be submitted before the close of each regular legislative session
5 during an odd-numbered year or any successive special session convened
6 by the governor or the legislature prior to the close of such regular
7 session or successive special session(s) for confirmation of senate
8 members, by the senate, and house members, by the house. Vacancies
9 occurring shall be filled by the appointing authority. All such
10 vacancies shall be filled from the same political party and from the
11 same house as the member whose seat was vacated.

12 The chair shall be elected by the membership of the committee. The
13 chair shall be elected biennially. Each succeeding chair shall be from
14 the opposite house of the current chair, with the first chair elected
15 from the membership appointed at the close of the 1991 legislative
16 session, or any successive special session convened by the governor or
17 the legislature, to be from the senate.