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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Mitchell, Fisher and Hankins)

Brief Description: Maintaining and preserving transportation facilities and assets.

**HB 2159-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that reducing wear and tear, providing cost-effective maintenance and rehabilitation, and identifying and addressing traffic congestion is essential.

Finds that the state should develop the analytic tools needed to measure the benefits and costs for all modes by using a common methodology. Use of a common methodology enables achievement of the goal to invest in the most effective mix of strategies, bolstered by benefit-cost analysis so that the investment benefits are quantifiable and achievable, and the outcomes will increase mobility and choices for the traveling public.

Requires the transportation commission or its successor entity to report the results of the following to the transportation committees of the senate and house of representatives by December 1, 2001:

(1) The priority programming used by the transportation commission especially as it measures benefits and costs under RCW 47.05.010, 47.05.030, and 47.05.051;

(2) An evaluation of the results of the life cycle cost methodologies developed by the department of transportation under RCW 47.06.050 and 47.06.090 to determine if they meet the benchmarks established by the commission.