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Brief Description: Requiring that employee benefits for contract transportation employees be not less than those provided to public transportation employees.

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Provides that a public employer covered by chapter 41.56 RCW shall not enter into any contract or agreement whereby a private entity provides services to a public employer, if:

- (1) The services provided under the contract are of the type typically or historically provided by public passenger transportation system employees covered by RCW 41.56.492; and
- (2) The wages, pension, sick leave, vacation time, and other benefits to be provided to employees of the private entity are less than those provided to public passenger transportation system employees with the same or similar duties.