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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives G. Simpson, Skinner, Hankins, Wood, Rockefeller, Clibborn, Hatfield, Clements, Armstrong and Delvin)

Brief Description: Restoring the vehicle tire fee.

HB 3054-S.E - DIGEST

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/16/04)

Creates the vehicle tire recycling account within the state treasury. After the deposit of funds into the motor vehicle account as provided for in RCW 70.95.510(3) and the state patrol highway account as provided for in RCW 70.95.510(4), the remaining funds received under RCW 70.95.510(1) must be deposited into the vehicle tire recycling account and used by the department of ecology for purposes including but not limited to those specified in RCW 70.95.535. The department of revenue shall deduct two percent from the funds collected under RCW 70.95.510 for the purpose of administering and collecting the fee from new replacement tire retailers.

Directs the department of ecology to convene a committee.

Requires the committee to prepare a statewide prioritized list of waste tire piles and a plan for their removal. The committee shall contact each county and request that the appropriate county departments locate and identify waste tire piles in their county, and submit a plan for removal. The statewide prioritized list of waste tire piles and plan for proper removal must be completed by January 1, 2005, and updated by annual reports to the legislature.

Directs the committee to develop a plan for tracking the movement of waste tires to be completed by January 1, 2005, and updated by annual reports to the legislature.

Requires that no less than twenty-three percent of the funds contained in the vehicle tire recycling account must be awarded to county governments for removal of illegal waste tire piles.

Provides that county governments that are recipients of the enforcement program grant funding must submit an annual report to the department of ecology for each year the grant funding is expended, detailing the uses of the funds and including information on what enforcement activities were supported with the grant funds.

Provides that no more than three percent of the funds contained in the vehicle tire recycling account may be used by the department of ecology for administration purposes.