

6697-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Highways & Transportation  
(originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Horn, Jacobsen, Swecker,  
Esser, Spanel, McAuliffe, B. Sheldon, Shin and Rasmussen)

Brief Description: Allocating federal transportation enhancement  
funds.

**SB 6697-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the secretary of transportation to appoint an  
enhancement advisory committee representing interest groups and  
local governments.

Provides that the enhancement advisory committee shall make  
the final selection of projects funded with federal enhancement  
funds or like categorical funds made available to the state through  
the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation  
Equity Act of 2003 (SAFETEA), or authorized under any federal  
surface transportation act that succeeds the Transportation Equity  
Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21).

Provides that the enhancement committee shall make final  
selection of projects using metropolitan planning organization or  
regional transportation planning organization priorities,  
consideration of the diversity of interest groups represented in  
this act, and an equitable statewide distribution of funding that  
is based on population.