

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 1469

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Transportation, March 28, 2005

**Title:** An act relating to proceedings for violations of commercial motor vehicle laws, rules, and orders.

**Brief Description:** Changing hearing procedures for violations of commercial motor vehicle laws, rules, and orders.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Lovick, Jarrett, Haigh and Armstrong; by request of Washington State Patrol.

**Brief History:** Passed House: 3/08/05, 97-0.

**Committee Activity:** Transportation: 3/28/05 [DPA].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Majority Report:** Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Jacobsen, Vice Chair; Poulsen, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Esser, Kastama, Mulliken, Oke, Spanel and Weinstein.

**Staff:** Janice Baumgardt (786-7319)

**Background:** Under federal law, trucking companies who operate inter-state or haul hazardous materials are required to adhere to certain business practices and to undergo terminal safety audits, which evaluate the companies' compliance with these practices. The Washington State Patrol (WSP) administers this program and also requires intra-state trucking companies to participate in this program. WSP may assess penalties for violations discovered during the audit process. Companies must submit payment or a request to mitigate the penalty within 15 days of WSP's notification. If WSP does not receive payment or a request to mitigate within 15 days, the Attorney General must bring an action in Superior Court to recover the penalty.

**Summary of Amended Bill:** If WSP does not receive payment or a request to mitigate the penalty within 15 days, the WSP may begin an adjudicative proceeding under the Administrative Procedures Act to recover unpaid penalties.

**Amended Bill Compared to Original Bill:** The original bill was not considered.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

**Testimony For:** None.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Who Testified:** No one.